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Lecture-18: Higher Dimensional Matrix Exponential

Hello students, in this video, we are going to start with some, you know, linear algebra. So, basically we learnt about some linear algebra in the previous video itself, but now we are also, we are going to discuss a little more, okay. So, first of all, we are going to start with something called the eigenvalues and eigenvectors, okay. eigenvalues and eigenvectors. So, what is it?

So, let us say a vector v is an eigenvector of a n cross n system. So, basically given a n cross n system, the eigenvector will be given like matrix A . If V is a non-zero solution, is a non-zero solution to the system of linear equations, of linear equations what are the equations A minus λ times v is equals to 0 . see v if v is equals to 0 of course a minus λ is equal to 0 for all λ right but the thing is basically we are looking for a non-trivial solution of this system here and this quantity λ will be called, λ is called the eigenvalue, right?

It's called the eigenvalue, sorry. It's called the eigenvalue of A . Value of A . Clear? Okay. So, this eigenvalue and eigenvector definitions we already know. So, it is not a very, I mean, I am not going to discuss it further.

Now, the thing is, you see, we are going to start with this. So, essentially, what is our goal? Why are we suddenly started with eigenvalues and eigenvectors out of nowhere? essentially we want to calculate exponential of a matrix right and let's say for a big matrix let's say 3 cross 3 or 4 cross 4 matrix 5 cross 5 matrices okay this is the best way that I know of to calculate a matrix exponential there are other ways there are many different ways of doing it but this is the most you know intuitive and modern way of doing this okay so first of all let's look at this property or maybe let me write it as a theorem.

Okay, so before that let us put down a small remark. Now, of course, I am assuming that you guys already know what eigenvalues and eigenvectors are given a matrix and you know what are the properties. So, I am not discussing it further. But anyways, as a remark,

I am just writing that let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$, okay, are real and distinct and distinct eigenvalues of A , eigenvalues of A with associated eigenvectors, with associated eigenvectors, vectors given by v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n .

okay then what is the relation between these v_i 's then v_i 's are linearly independent okay li so i am not writing this thing it is linearly dependent okay right so with these we are coming to the important theorem okay so theorem theorem so try to understand this theorem and you will understand what's happening so essentially let's So let A n cross n matrix essentially has real and distinct eigenvalues. eigenvalue. Then, what can you say? Basically, it means that the matrix is diagonalizable.

So, basically, then there exists a matrix T , which is a n cross n matrix again, such that such that Okay, $T^{-1}AT$ is diagonal. Okay, that will be even by nothing but this very simple matrix even by λ_i . So basically, $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$. So everything, all other, you know, of diagonal entries are basically 0. And this is a diagonal matrix with entries $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$. Okay. So, this is very simple.

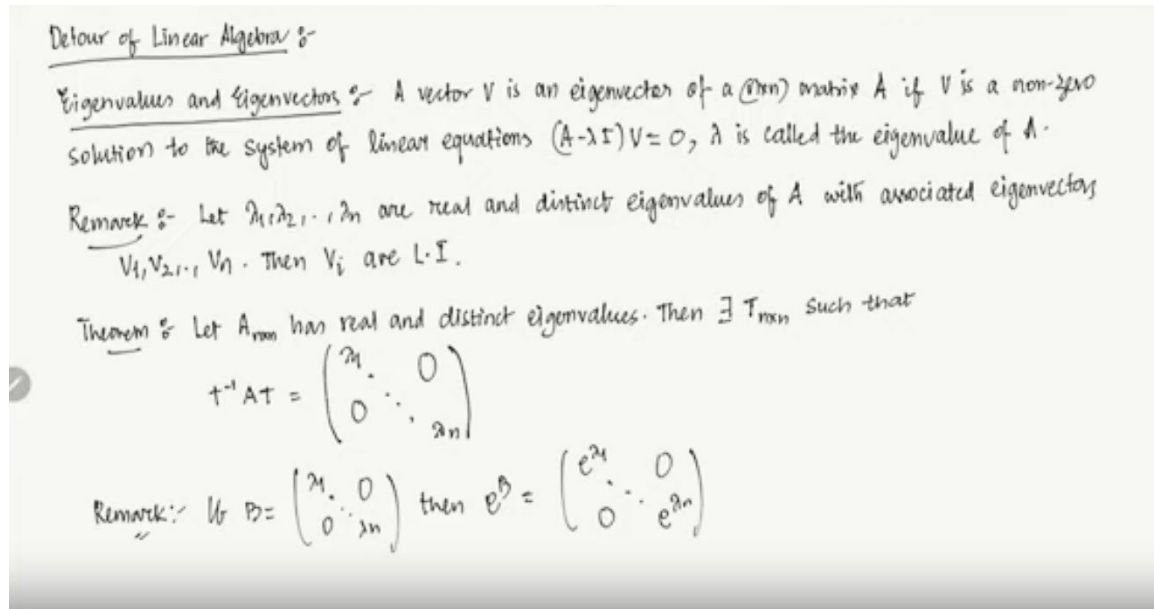
Now, why is it, let us say, if you are in this situation, why is this important? Because we know that if we can do something like this, exponential of t inverse A , if we have to calculate, let us say, if we can calculate something like this, if you want to calculate something like this, it will be nothing but $t^{-1} e^{At}$, right? So, an exponential A , so you see, remark, as a remark, if you If your matrix, let us say a matrix B is nothing but $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n, 0, 0$. Then it is easy to say that exponential B is nothing but $e^{\lambda_1 t}, e^{\lambda_2 t}, \dots, e^{\lambda_n t}, 0, 0$.

So you do realize that calculating the exponential is going to be very simple. If you can show that the matrix, you know, if it is real and distinct, if you are starting with a matrix which is real and distinct, then what happens is this is diagonalizable. Then you can write it in this form. And once you can write it in this form, essentially what happens is calculating the exponential gets very easy. That is the idea.

So, let us look at this theorem. So, what does the theorem says? It says that if A has real and distinct eigenvalues, then you will have a matrix here such that $T^{-1}AT$, when you calculate $T^{-1}AT$, that is going to be a diagonal matrix. We can also write this thing as diagonal $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$. How do you prove something like this?

Proof is actually easy. See, here what we are doing is basically we are taking a change of variable here. So, let v_i be an eigenvector associated with λ_i . okay so v_i is a

eigenvector associated with lambda this is what we are assuming right now okay and um what happens is now see uh we want to okay uh write down that that i mean we have to find that transformation t see the thing is you are given a real distinct uh this matrix right okay with the sorry you are given a matrix with the real distinct eigenvalues okay Now, you have to find a transformation which actually reduces this to a diagonal matrix, right.



So, essentially what we are trying to do is find, you know, a change of variable which actually reduces the matrix to a diagonal matrix. Think of it like that, okay. So, what we are doing is this. Now, you define, define P , clear. such that T of e_i is nothing but v_i , clear.

So, you see since $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$ This is distinct, okay? λ_n , they are distinct. The corresponding eigenvectors which you are going to get, let us say v_1, v_2, v_n , they are linearly independent, right? Okay, so let us say if I map v, e_1, e_1 , the first basis element that is, okay?

to v_1, e_2 to v_2, e_n to v_n , okay? Then what happens is I have a one-to-one map, right? So basically, this is a very, very, this is a valid change of variable. That's what we're trying to do here. So when you define t of e_i to be v_i , okay?

And what is e_i ? E_i is nothing but 0, 0, 1 on the i f cordon entry and then this is i f, the standard basis that is a, okay. So, this is there. Now, you see that T , so essentially if you write it like this, so what is the matrix T ?

Therefore, the matrix T , if you want to write it as n cross n matrix, it is nothing but T of E_1 , okay, T of E_1 . e to p of e_n , right? That is what the matrix T is. If the linear

transformation is given like this, what is the corresponding matrix? It is of course this, that basically it is determined by how the columns of this matrix, so basically the columns of the matrix

of the matrix is determined by its action on the i th basis vector. is this fine okay so this is what we are basically trying to do so basically you see you have a matrix now which is $n \times n$ such that the first column is T of e_1 the second column is T of e_2 and then the n th column is T of e_n yes so see this matrix nothing but v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n the first column is v_1 the second column is v_2 and the n th column is v_n because that's our definition right these are the columns okay Now, you see the thing is this v_1, v_2, v_n , they are linearly independent. So, since v_i 's are linearly independent, linearly independent, why they are linearly independent? Because λ_i 's are distinct, real distinct.

So, v_i 's are linearly independent. That will imply that T is invertible. T is invertible. If you do not, so this is very easy to check. If you do not know that, please check this.

T is invertible. And, and, Let us look at what happens to T inverse AT . You see, what we need to do? We need to write down T inverse AT as a diagonal matrix, right?

So, what happens to T inverse AT ? So, this is a matrix, right? If we want to determine the matrix, we have to determine what it does on the basis elements, right? So, T inverse AT acting at, let us say, E_i . What happens to this?

This is nothing but T inverse A . Now, T acting at E_i , that is the first thing. What is T acting at E_i ? So, T inverse A . Now, T acting at E_i is V_j . So, this is nothing but V_j .

So now you see T inverse A acting at V_j . What is A acting at V_j ? Now it is A acting at V_j . Now you see V_i 's are sorry this is J here. Let us do it for J . It does not matter I or J but anyway same.

So, you see T of e_i is v_i and v_i is the associated eigenvalue corresponding is the eigenvalue associated with λ_i . So, this is nothing but T inverse of $\lambda_j v_j$ because since this is v_i is the eigenvector associated with λ_i , then A of v_i is nothing but $\lambda_i v_i$. So, this holds for all i . Clear? So, this is there. Now, T is a linear transformation that implies T inverse is also going to be a linear transformation. So, I can take this λ_j , that is a constant, right?

So, scalar. So, I can take that out and then I have this $\lambda_j T$ inverse of V_j . Clear? Okay. Now, what is $\lambda_j T$ inverse of V_j ?

This is nothing but, you see, T is invertible. So, T inverse of VJ is nothing but EI, EJ, sorry, EJ. Clear? Okay. So, what is T inverse of AT?

See. So, what is the matrix T inverse of AT? Let us look at this matrix. This matrix is nothing but T inverse of AT acting at E1. T inverse of AT acting at EN, right?

That is what it is. So, essentially, you see, the first thing is this. This matrix is nothing but lambda 1 E 1, okay? And then the second one is lambda 2 E 2. And the nth thing is lambda N E N.

Now, if you, E1 is what? 1, 0, 0, 1. E2 is 0, 1, 0, 0, 0. So, if you write it down, this is nothing but the diagonal of lambda 1, lambda n. Is this okay?

Proof: Let v_i be an eigenvector associated with λ_i . ($Av_i = \lambda_i v_i$)

Define $T(E_i) = v_i$ ($E_i = (0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0)$ with 1 at i^{th} entry)

$\therefore T_{n \times n} = \begin{pmatrix} T(E_1) & T(E_2) & \dots & T(E_n) \end{pmatrix}$ [The column of the matrix is determined by its action on the i^{th} basis vector].

$= \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & \dots & v_n \end{pmatrix}$

$\because v_i$ are L.I. $\Rightarrow T$ is invertible (check)

And, $(T^{-1}AT)(E_j) = T^{-1}A[T(E_j)] = T^{-1}Av_j = T^{-1}(\lambda_j v_j) = \lambda_j T^{-1}(v_j) = \lambda_j E_j$.

$T^{-1}AT = \begin{pmatrix} T^{-1}AT(E_1) & \dots & T^{-1}AT(E_n) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 E_1 & & \\ & \lambda_2 E_2 & \\ & & \dots \\ & & & \lambda_n E_n \end{pmatrix} = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$

So, what did we learn? We learned that if A is a matrix with a real and distinct eigenvalue, this is very important, real and distinct eigenvalue.

Then, of course, I mean, there are other, I mean, situations also, but in this situation, what happens is, you can always find a transformation, which actually reduces A. So, basically, T inverse A T is going to be the diagonal element, okay. Right. So let us look at the next situation. Okay. So you can take some example.

So in the assignment what we are going to do is we are going to give you some assignments, some problems which actually asks you to find out this transformation for some, you know, given specific examples. Now the second case. So this is first case. Real and distinct. Okay.

Theorem 1, let us just call it. Now, before we go on to theorem 2, so basically theorem 2 is about the complex eigenvalues. Complex eigenvalues. Eigenvalues. here okay so now you see that a has a non so we'll assume that it has a complex eigenvalue okay so we know that if $\alpha + i\beta$ will so let a has a complex eigenvalue eigenvalue okay so

Hence, if $\alpha + i\beta$ is an eigenvalue, of course, $\alpha - i\beta$ is going, also going to be an eigenvalue. So $\alpha + i\beta$ and $\alpha - i\beta$ is other eigenvalues, other eigenvalues. Clear? So, that is always there. Now, the thing is this, you see that we have to, I mean, we are assuming that, of course, if $\alpha + i\beta$ is an eigenvalue, $\alpha - i\beta$ is also an eigenvalue, okay.

Now, let us say that there can be many different cases, right. So, in this case, suppose also we are assuming that A is a $2n$ cross $2n$ matrix with distinct non-zero eigenvalues. Also, A is a $2n$ cross $2n$ matrix with non-real, so basically complex matrix. I gain values.

Complex I gain values. What are the I gain values? $\alpha + i\beta$ and $\alpha - i\beta$. I equals to, 1, 2, n . Now you do realize let us say you may have this situation that you have a 3 cross matrix. There is this eigenvalue $\alpha + i\beta$ and then another real eigenvalue.

It may happen. So we are not dealing with that case right now. What we are doing right now is we are assuming that you have like a square matrix of $2n$ cross $2n$ size. And what happens is all the eigenvalues for now, they are non-real. So, essentially they are complex eigenvalues.

And we want to see what happens then. So, what happens now is this. See that first of all. These are complex eigenvalues. So, can we, we also have associated eigenvectors.

So, what we will do is, we start, let v_j and \bar{v}_j denotes the associated eigenvectors. Here I wrote i , so let us write down i . v_j and \bar{v}_j denotes the associated eigenvectors. Now, the thing is this, if let us say $c v_j + d \bar{v}_j$ let's say is 0 i equals to 1 to n okay and c d i 's are in complex number c okay then that will imply that c i equals to d i equals to 0 right that is easy to see

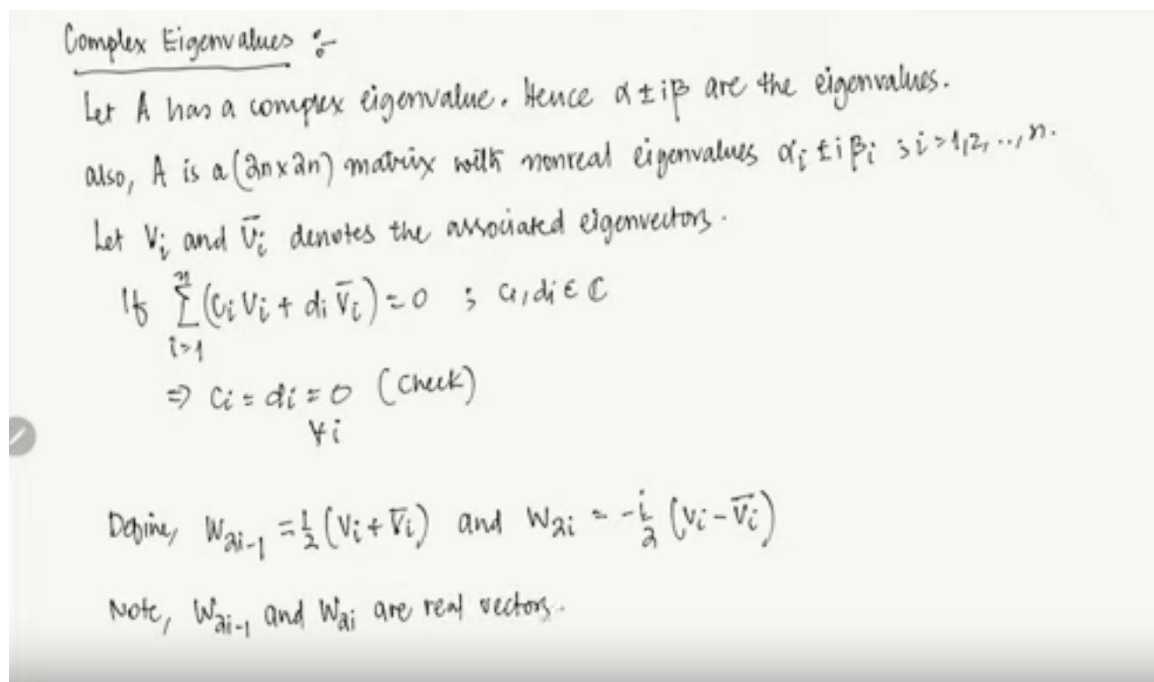
Okay, so I am not doing this thing. If you, I mean it is better you check this part. Okay, so what I am saying is this v_j is $\alpha + i\beta$, \bar{v}_j is $\alpha - i\beta$. So you just make the real and you know many part separate and then you can see that this is true. Okay, so c i and d i they are going to be 0 .

Okay, so for all i , I am not writing so for all i . Okay, now the thing is this, see we want to put, you know, we want to find a change of coordinate. So, here what we did is, you see, we did a change of coordinate, okay, and after that put it into this form, diagonal form. So, we also want to do the similar sort of thing here, okay. So, can we do that?

Now, what do we do? We change the coordinate of A , okay. So, to do that, what we do is this. So, now define W . $2i$ minus 1 .

This we are defining as half of, so the real part of v_i , that is v_i plus v_i bar. And w_{2i} to be half, sorry, minus i by 2 . So that is the imaginary part, that is minus i by 2 v_i minus v_i bar. So, these are all real vectors. So, note w_{2i-1} and w_{2i} are real vectors.

vectors, clear? These are real vectors, okay?



So, since this is the real part of v_j , v_i and this is the part of v_{im} , so real vectors, okay? So, now we have this thing, the theorem or let us just put it as a proposition. What is it?

It says that the vectors, the vectors w_1, w_2, w_{2n} are linearly independent. So, how do we show something like this? Let us look at the proof. So let's say that they are not, right?

So then, then one can find, one can find, can find c_i, d_i , okay, i equals to 1 to n such that, such that summation $c_i w_{2i-1} + d_i w_{2i}$, i equals to 1 to n , this is 0 , okay. See, if they are linearly independent, if they are not linearly independent, then this has to be 0 for some c_i, d_i non-zero okay so essentially what i mean by this is you can actually find a

non-zero c_i or d_i doesn't matter i mean at least something has to be non-zero such that okay this relation holds okay now if this relation holds you see what is $w^{2i} - 1$ that is nothing but half times $v_i + \bar{v}_i$ right and what is w^{2i} it is the imaginary part so you see minus i by $2 v_i - v_i \bar{v}_i$ okay so if you put it together what happens is you can write it as i equals to $1 - n c$ from here c_i will be there and the other part is minus $i d_i$ and v you see v_i okay v_i plus

$c_i + i d_i \bar{v}_i$, right? That is what we are going to get if we are writing it in terms of v_i , 0, clear? Now, you see v_i and \bar{v}_i are linearly independent, okay? They are linearly independent. What does that imply?

So, since v_i and \bar{v}_i are linearly independent. Clear? Then, of course, C_i equals to plus minus $i d_i$. Okay? That is always true.

What will that imply? That a real is equals to a complex. That can only happen if c_i and d_i are going to be 0. That will imply c_i equals to d_i equals to 0 for all i . So, that is a contradiction. And hence, what happens is w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n are linearly independent.

So, very, very simple proposition. What basically it says is this. If you have eigenvectors, this thing vectors, okay, corresponding to eigenvalues λ , this thing $\alpha + i\beta$. So, and what happens is, those eigenvalues, so basically if you are forming it and you are looking just the VL and the imaginary part, they are actually going to be linearly independent. Clear?

Okay. Now, so now, you see, now, The theorem is done. Now, you remember we last time in this real and distinct case, we just wrote if you are given this thing, a matrix A , T inverse A , T , you can write it as a diagonal element, right? Yes, which actually helps us in calculating the exponential.

So, now we want to do the similar thing here. Now, A of $w^{2i} - 1$. What is it? So, let us look at this.

This is half a of v_i plus a of \bar{v}_i . Clear? See, $w^{2i} - 1$ is nothing but half of $v_i + \bar{v}_i$. So, a of this, a is linear. So, I can take it inside, right?

So, this happens. So, now, this is equal to half $\alpha + i\beta v_i + \alpha - i\beta \bar{v}_i$, clear? So, that is equal to α by $2 v_i + \bar{v}_i + i\beta$ by $2 v_i - \bar{v}_i$. Now, if you write it down, this is nothing but α times $w^{2i} - 1$ minus β times w^{2i} .

Clear? So, see now what we are doing is this. We have a linearly independent set of vectors, right? We want to see what happens when A acts on those vectors. So, A of w_{2i-1} is this.

Proposition :- the vectors w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{2n} are linearly independent.

Proof :- Then one can find $c_i, d_i, i=1, 2, \dots, n$ such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (c_i w_{2i-1} + d_i w_{2i}) = 0 \text{ for some } c_i, d_i \text{ non-zero.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n [(c_i - id_i) v_i + (c_i + id_i) \bar{v}_i] = 0$$

$\therefore v_i$ and \bar{v}_i are L.I $\Rightarrow c_i = d_i = 0 \forall i$ \square

Now, $A w_{2i-1} = \frac{1}{\alpha} (A v_i + A \bar{v}_i) = \frac{1}{\alpha} [(\alpha + i\beta) v_i + (\alpha - i\beta) \bar{v}_i]$

$$= \frac{\alpha}{\alpha} (v_i + \bar{v}_i) + \frac{i\beta}{\alpha} (v_i - \bar{v}_i)$$

$$= \alpha w_{2i-1} - \beta w_{2i}$$

Again, you have to calculate what happens to A of w_i . Okay, so this you have to check it yourself. Please do this part. Now, this is very easy. Nothing special is happening here.

It is β times w_{2j-1} minus, sorry, w_{2i-1} plus α times w_{2i} . Okay, so this is what we are, so this you have to check it yourself. Clear? Now, you see, we define a map, define T , okay, such that T of E_i is nothing but W_i . This holds for i equals to $1, 2, \dots, 2N$.

Clear? See, w_1, w_2, \dots, w_N are linearly independent. So, basically, what I am doing is this, corresponding to each, so, the unit basis element just like what we did earlier okay so essentially what is your matrix t so basically the columns are w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n and that's the thing okay real entries of course okay right and w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n and so basically you see the matrix t the matrix t has columns what are the columns w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n .

Yes, and we just showed that w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n are linearly independent, right? Since they are linearly independent, T matrix is invertible. So, that will imply that T inverse exists. Clear? Okay.

Now, we want to look at what happens to $T^{-1}AT$. Just like before. See, I want to make it like a diagonal or as close as possible. Okay. I want to look, I want to make this matrix as a diagonal matrix. Okay.

If it is possible. So, what happens to $T^{-1}AT$? Acting at E , let us say $2I - 1$. Let us look at this. It is nothing but $T^{-1}A$

T acting at $E^2 I - 1$. And what is $E^2 I - 1$? This is $W^2 I - 1$. So, $T^{-1}A$, it is $W^2 I - 1$. Now, what is $A W^2 I - 1$?

It is nothing but, you see, what is $A W^2 I - 1$? It is α times $W^2 I - 1$ minus $\beta W^2 I$. So, this is nothing but T^{-1} of α times $W^2 I - 1$ minus β times $W^2 I$. Clear? Now, T^{-1} is a linear map.

So, I can take everything inside. So, this becomes α times $T^{-1}W^2 I$ is nothing but E^i , right? $E^2 I - 1$ minus $\beta E^2 I$. Clear? Now, similarly, you can check this part that $T^{-1}AT$ acting at $E^T U I$ is nothing but β times $E^2 I - 1$ plus α times $E^2 I$. Yes.

So, now, let us just write down what is $T^{-1}AT$. What is $T^{-1}AT$? $T^{-1}AT$, this matrix is nothing but $T^{-1}AT$ acting acting at E^1 . Clear?

Okay. And it will go on like this and then $T^{-1}AT$ acting at E^1 to n . Right. So, let us write it down if we is possible. So, you see it is nothing but this matrix $D_1 D_n$.

Okay. Where d_i is a 2×2 matrix, 2×2 matrix given by, given by, you see, here α minus β , β α , α i , β i , okay, and then minus β i , α i . If you write it down, you see, I mean, T^{-1} of, let us say here, E^1 . What is E^1 ?

It is α , so $T^{-1}AT$ of E^1 . It is like αE^1 minus β , okay? e^2 okay so you write put everything together and this is what you are going to get okay now you again $t^{-1} a t$ times e^2 if you want to calculate then you just put α f so basically you put i equals to 1 i equals to 2 and then you just write it down then you are going to get a matrix which looks like this okay.

Again, $AW_i = \beta W_{2i-1} + \alpha W_{2i}$. (Check)

Define, $TE_i = W_i$ ($i=1, 2, \dots, 2n$)

The matrix T has column W_1, W_2, \dots, W_{2n} . $\Rightarrow T^{-1}$ exists.

$$(T^{-1}AT)(E_{2i-1}) = T^{-1}A(T E_{2i-1}) = T^{-1}A W_{2i-1} = T^{-1}[\alpha W_{2i-1} - \beta W_{2i}]$$

$$= \alpha E_{2i-1} - \beta E_{2i}$$

Similarly, $(T^{-1}AT)(E_{2i}) = \beta E_{2i-1} + \alpha E_{2i}$.

$$(T^{-1}AT) = \begin{pmatrix} (T^{-1}AT)(E_1) & \dots & (T^{-1}AT)(E_{2n}) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} D_1 & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & D_n \end{pmatrix}$$

where D_i is a (2×2) matrix given by $\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_i & \beta_i \\ -\beta_i & \alpha_i \end{pmatrix}$.

So the theorem which we are going to get is this theorem Let A has n cross n , has distinct, distinct, so A is a n cross n matrix, n cross n matrix, has distinct eigenvalues, eigenvalues, okay. Then we can say there exists a linear map, linear map such that such that T inverse $A T$. How does it look like? T inverse $A T$, it will look like this. See, $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$. These are corresponding to the real, this thing, the real eigenvalues, okay? So basically, you see, distinct eigenvalues, it can be real or complex, right? Of course, if they are complex, there is nothing to distinct.

So basically, the real part, $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots, \lambda_n$, and for the complex part, what you have is this, D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n . So, you have D_1, D , let us just write it as K, P , where D, P will look like this, $\alpha P, \beta P, \text{ minus } \beta P, \alpha P$. α is this clear so c . If they are distinct eigenvalues, I am not saying they are real or complex. Let us say there is a bunch of real eigenvalues.

So, corresponding to real eigenvalues, we know that it will be, you know, the $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots, \lambda_n$, right? Now, what happens to the complex eigenvalues? For the complex eigenvalues, we know that it will look like d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n . So, that is what we write, d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n , okay? So, that is your t inverse $a t$, okay?

So, if A has distinct eigenvalues, this is what it happens, that you have a linear map t . such that this happens. So, with this I am going to end this video. In the next video, we are going to see what happens when they have repeated eigenvalues. That is a complicated case.

Theorem: Let A has distinct eigenvalues. then \exists a linear map T such that

$$T^{-1}AT = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \dots & & \\ & & \lambda_k & \\ & & & D_1 & \dots & D_p \end{pmatrix}$$

where $D_p = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_p & \beta_p \\ -\beta_p & \alpha_p \end{pmatrix}$.