

Let V be a finite dim vs over a field K (think $K = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} always)

$f: V \times V \rightarrow K$ is bilinear if it is linear in each position separately.

(ex) A is $n \times n$ matrix $f(u, v) := u^T A v$ is bilinear.

Define $\mathcal{B}(V) := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{all bilinear maps} \\ f: V \times V \rightarrow K \end{array} \right\}$ $\mathcal{B}(V)$ itself is vs with $(f+g)(u, v) := f(u, v) + g(u, v)$
 $(\lambda f)(u, v) := \lambda f(u, v)$

Thm 12.1 Let $\{\varphi_i\}_{i=1}^n$ be a basis for dual space V^* $\Rightarrow f_{ij}(u, v) := \varphi_i(u)\varphi_j(v)$ is basis for $\mathcal{B}(V)$
 $\dim(\mathcal{B}(V)) = n^2$

Pf. Let $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ be basis of V dual to $\{\varphi_i\}$ i.e. $\varphi_i(e_j) = \delta_{ij}$

step 1 show $\{f_{ij}\}$ span $\mathcal{B}(V)$. Let f be arb elt of $\mathcal{B}(V)$. Let $\alpha_{ij} := f(e_i, e_j)$

claim: $f = \sum_i \sum_j \alpha_{ij} f_{ij}$ i.e. for $s, t = 1, \dots, n$ $f(e_s, e_t) = (\sum_i \sum_j \alpha_{ij} f_{ij})(e_s, e_t)$

$$\left(\sum_i \sum_j \alpha_{ij} f_{ij}\right)(e_s, e_t) = \sum_i \sum_j \alpha_{ij} f_{ij}(e_s, e_t) = \sum_i \sum_j \alpha_{ij} \underbrace{\varphi_i(e_s)}_{\delta_{is}} \underbrace{\varphi_j(e_t)}_{\delta_{jt}} = \alpha_{st} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} f(e_s, e_t)$$

Thus $\sum_{ij} \alpha_{ij} f_{ij}(\cdot, \cdot) = f(\cdot, \cdot)$ by linearity.

step 2 show $\{f_{ij}\}$ is LI.

Suppose $\sum_i \sum_j \beta_{ij} f_{ij} = 0_{V^* \times V^*}$

Then for any fixed $s, t \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

$$0 = 0_{V^* \times V^*}(e_s, e_t) = \sum_i \sum_j \beta_{ij} \varphi_i(e_s) \varphi_j(e_t) = \beta_{st}$$

every coeff is 0 \square

If V has basis $\{e\}$ then a bilinear $f: V \times V \rightarrow K$ has the matrix representation $f(u, v) = [u]_e^T [f(e_i, e_j)] [v]_e$

To show this: $f(u, v) = f\left(\sum u_i e_i, \sum v_j e_j\right) = \sum_i \sum_j u_i v_j f(e_i, e_j) = [u_1 \dots u_n] \begin{bmatrix} f(e_1, e_1) \\ \vdots \\ f(e_1, e_n) \\ \vdots \\ f(e_n, e_1) \\ \vdots \\ f(e_n, e_n) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$

Thm 12.2 Given 2 bases for V $\{e\}, \{f\}$

Change of basis matrix $P: \{f\} = \{e\}P$

bi-linear f with matrix rep $[A]_e$

$$\Rightarrow [A]_f = P^T [A]_e P$$

'Congruence' transform

Pf we know $P v_f = v_e$
 $P u_f = u_e$ $f(u, v) = u_e^T A_e v_e = (P v_f)^T A_e (P v_f) = v_f^T [P^T A_e P] v_f \square$

Def we say B is Congruent to A if \exists nonsing matrix P where $B = P^T A P$.

Def rank of bilinear form f is ordinary rank of any matrix representation A .

f is degenerate if $\text{rank}(f) < \dim(V)$

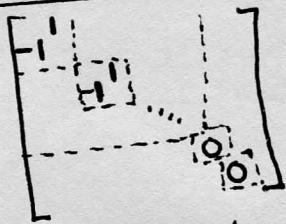
a bi-linear f is called alternating if $f(v,v) = 0 \quad \forall v \in V$

This implies: $0 = f(u+v, u+v) = f(u,u) + f(u,v) + f(v,u) + f(v,v)$

$\Rightarrow f(u,v) = -f(v,u)$ anti-symm or skew-symm

Thm 12.3 f bi-linear, alternating

$\Rightarrow \exists$ a basis where $[f] =$



This is the symplectic 2-form ω of Hamiltonian Mechanics (provided it has full rank) see remarks after pf.

- The number of $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ blocks is uniquely determined by f and equal to $\frac{1}{2} \text{rank}(f)$
- Alternating bi form always has even rank

pf The idea is that if f is non-degenerate on a vs of $\dim \geq 2$, then we can carve out a 2-dim subsp where f has this form, and we can keep doing this repeatedly until the dimensions are exhausted or f becomes degen.

step 1 Assume $f \neq 0_{B(V)}$ or nothing to prove.

If $\dim(V) = 1$, then for any 2 vectors u, v , $v = \lambda u$ so $f(u,v) = 0$ and again $f = 0_{B(V)}$
So assume $\dim V \geq 2$.

$\exists u_1, u_2 \ni f(u_1, u_2) \neq 0$ so rescale wlog so $f(u_1, u_2) = 1$ ($f(u_2, u_1) = -1$)

We see $\{u_1, u_2\}$ is LI or else $f(u_1, u_2) = 0$ because $u_2 = \lambda u_1$

Let $U := \text{Span}\{u_1, u_2\}$

Observe $[f|_U]_{\{u_i\}} = \begin{bmatrix} f(u_1, u_1) & f(u_1, u_2) \\ f(u_2, u_1) & f(u_2, u_2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $[f(u_2, u_2) = 0]$ Alternating
So the desired form is attained.

step 2 Define $W = \{w \in V \mid f(w, u_1) = 0, f(w, u_2) = 0\}$ i.e. $\{w \in V \mid f(w, u) = 0 \quad \forall u \in U\}$ " U^\perp wrt f "

Show $V = U \oplus W$

obviously $U \cap W = \{0\}$ disjoint

Now show $V = U + W$ i.e. for any $v \in V \exists u_1, w_1$ so $v = u_1 + w_1 = (\alpha u_1 + \beta u_2) + w_1$

We must now exhibit $\alpha, \beta, [w_1 \in W]$ that make this work. $w_1 = v - (\alpha u_1 + \beta u_2)$

We must have $f(w_1, u_1) = 0$ and $f(w_1, u_2) = 0$ and our freedom is coeffs α, β

$$f(w_1, u_1) = f(v - u_1, u_1) = f(v - \alpha u_1 - \beta u_2, u_1) = f(v, u_1) - \alpha \underbrace{f(u_1, u_1)}_0 - \beta \underbrace{f(u_2, u_1)}_{-1}$$

So we want $f(v, u_1) + \beta \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \Rightarrow \beta = -f(v, u_1)$

\triangleright Likewise $\alpha = f(v, u_2)$

Thus for this α, β $f(w, u_1) = 0 = f(w, u_2)$ so $w_1 \in W$

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pf of Thm 12.3 cont'd:

Step 3 So we have shown $V = U \oplus W$. Write it as $U_1 \oplus W_1$

W_1 is a VS and $f|_{W_1}$ is still bilinear and alternating.

If $\dim W_1 = 0$ we are done and $[f] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

If $\dim W_1 = 1$ $f|_{W_1} = 0_{\mathcal{B}(W_1)}$ and $[f] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & \\ -1 & 0 & \\ & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Or if f is now degenerate $f|_{W_1} = 0_{\mathcal{B}(W_1)}$ and $[f] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & \\ -1 & 0 & \\ & & \dots \\ & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

So if none of those cases, we can repeat the arg of steps 1, 2 and get $V = U_1 \oplus (U_2 \oplus W_2)$

Step 4 Now we keep repeating Step 3's argument and get

$$V = U_1 \oplus U_2 \oplus \dots \oplus U_k \oplus W_k$$

$f|_{U\text{-space}}$ is in the desired form and the rank of f is exhausted

So since each "U-block" has dim 2, $\text{rank}(f) = 2k$

QED

Meyer & Hall p.40-41 have $2n$ -dim vs V and alternating, non-degen bilinear $\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

For \mathbb{R}^{2n} $\omega(x,y) = x^T J y$ where the symplectic matrix $J = \begin{bmatrix} & I \\ -I & \end{bmatrix}$

How can we convert the matrix form K of the thm to standard J ?

Full rank, so $K = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ Want a perm matrix P so $J = P^T K P$

This is what works $\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \\ p_1 \\ \vdots \\ p_n \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{P} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ p_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \\ p_n \end{bmatrix}$

Symm bilinear forms, quadratic forms

Bilinear f is symmetric if $f(u,v) = f(v,u) \forall u,v \in V$
 Let A be a matrix rep of f . Then $f(x,y) = x^T A y = \underset{\text{Scalars}}{(x^T A y)^T} = y^T A^T x$
 $f(y,x) = y^T A x \xleftarrow{\text{Since } x,y \text{ arb}} A = A^T$

Given a bi, symm f there is an associated quadratic form $q: V \rightarrow K$
 $v \mapsto f(v,v)$
Polar form $f(u,v) = \frac{1}{2} [q(u+v) - q(u) - q(v)]$ Just algebra. $q(x) = x^T A x$

Thm 12.4 f symm, bilinear $\Rightarrow \exists$ a basis $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ where f is represented by a diag matrix $[f(v_i, v_j)]_{i \neq j} = 0$
 Alternatively: matrix $A = A^T \Rightarrow \exists$ nonsing matrix $P \ni P^T A P = D$ diag
 [Note that this would follow directly from Spectral Thm but we don't have that yet and this matrix P is not the O.N. Q , more like $A = LDL^T$ Strang's "cholesky"]

Pf assume $f \neq 0_{B(V)}$

Proof by Induction Initialization: For $\dim(V) = 1$ any matrix $[a]$ is diag.
 Basis is just $\{v_1\}$

Induction: let $\dim(V) = n$

Step 1 claim: \exists at least one vector v_n where $f(v_n, v_n) \neq 0$
 Suppose not. Then $f(v,v) = 0 \forall v \in V$
 Then for any pair u,v $f(u,v) = \frac{1}{2} [f(u+v, u+v) - f(u,u) - f(v,v)]$ Polar form
 $\Rightarrow f = 0_{B(V)} \Rightarrow \times$

Step 2 Let $U := \text{Span}\{v_n\}$ and $W := \{ \begin{matrix} u \\ v \end{matrix} \mid f(v, v_n) = 0 \}$ "ker(f_{v_n})"
 Show $V = U \oplus W$

Step 2a show $U \cap W = \{0\}$ no vectors in common
 Suppose $\exists u \in U \cap W$. Because $u \in U$, $u = kv_n$ for some $k \neq 0$
 Because $u \in W$, $f(u, v_n) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = f(kv_n, v_n) = k f(v_n, v_n) \neq 0$ by choice of $v_n \Rightarrow \times$

Step 2b show $V = U + W$
 Choose any $v \in V$. we want to be able to write $v = u + w$ i.e. $v = kv_n + w$
 $\Rightarrow w = v - kv_n$
 we must be able to have $k \ni f(w, v_n) = 0$
 $0 = f(w, v_n) = f(v - kv_n, v_n) = f(v, v_n) - k f(v_n, v_n) \Rightarrow k = \frac{f(v, v_n)}{f(v_n, v_n) \neq 0}$

Step 3 $f|_W$ is still a symm, bi form on $(n-1)$ dim vs, so by induction hypth
 there is already a basis $\{v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$ satisfying the criteria $f(v_i, v_j) = 0$ for $i \neq j$
 Add v_n to this collection $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$.
 By def of W , $f(v_i, v_n) = 0 \forall i = 1, \dots, n-1$

□

We can give an alternate pf and exhibit $P^T A P = D$ and (4) show elementary "row" operations on columns, which I had not seen before.

First, here is an example showing the method:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 5 & -4 \\ -3 & -4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \text{ Symm}$$

Form augmented matrix

$$\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} & 3 & 6 & -9 & 0 & \\ & 2 & 4 & -6 & 2 & \\ \hline 1 & 2 & -3 & & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & -4 & & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & -4 & 8 & & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

Use Gaussian Elim to clear out 1st col
 $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$
 $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 3R_1$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} & 3 & 2 & & & \\ \hline 1 & 2 & -3 & & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & & 3 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

Now do exactly the same operations to the cols of A . (The same ops will clear out 1st row since A symm)
 The augmented part is not affected!

$$\begin{aligned} C_2 &\rightsquigarrow C_2 - 2C_1 \\ C_3 &\rightsquigarrow C_3 + 3C_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & & 3 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

Now zero out col 2 below pivot and then row 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & | & 7 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} P^T$$

$$P^T A P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & -5 \end{bmatrix} \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 7 \\ & 1 & -2 \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that Strang LAAIA uses Gaussian elim to factor $A = LDU$ and this factorization is unique. Then $A^T = U^T D^T L^T$ but $A = A^T$ so $LDU = U^T D^T L^T$ and $D = D^T$. So by uniqueness we must have $U = L^T \Rightarrow A = LDL^T$ (I think Strang's L is Schuam's P).

Schuam's formalizes this also as another pf of Thm 12.4 but I'm not writing it up now.

Thm 12.5 Sylvester's Law of Inertia

f symm, bilinear \Rightarrow Every matrix rep $[f]$ that is diagonal has the same number of pos, neg and 0 entries, respectively.

pf. By Thm 12.4, we have a basis $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ where $[f]_u$ is diag (i.e. $f(u_i, u_j) = 0$ if $i \neq j$). This diag matrix has p pos and m neg entries (then $n - (p+m)$ zeroes).

Suppose $\{w_1, \dots, w_n\}$ is some other basis where $[f]_w$ is diagonal; it has q pos entries and l neg entries.

Lemma If a matrix A is diagonalized $D = K^T A K$ then the number of nonzero diag entries in D is the rank of A [K is n sing] i.e. number of 0's on main diag = $\dim(\ker(A))$. rank + nullity = n

pf after this thm.

From the Lemma, we know $\text{rank}(f) = p + m = q + l$
 w.l.o.g. we can order the bases so u_1, \dots, u_p are assoc with pos diag elts $f(u_i, u_i) > 0$

and likewise for w_1, \dots, w_q ; then w_{q+1}, \dots, w_n have $f(w_j, w_j) \leq 0$.

Let $U := \text{Span}\{u_1, \dots, u_p\}$ $W := \text{Span}\{w_{q+1}, \dots, w_n\}$ and obviously $U \cap W = \{0\}$ since diff signs for f

Show $p \leq q$ a priori $\dim(U+W) = \dim U + \dim W - \dim(U \cap W)$
 $= p + n - q - 0$

and since $U+W$ is a set of vectors in V , $\dim(U+W) \leq \dim V$
 $\Rightarrow p + n - q \leq n \Rightarrow p \leq q$

Show $q \leq p$ Repeat the same arg with $W := \text{Span}\{w_1, \dots, w_q\}$
 $U := \text{Span}\{u_{p+1}, \dots, u_n\}$

$\dim(W+U) = \dim W + \dim U - \dim(W \cap U)$
 $= q + n - p - 0 \Rightarrow q + n - p \leq n \Rightarrow q \leq p$

Thus $p = q$ number of pos elts is the same
 From the Lemma, num of 0 elts is the same \Rightarrow number neg elts is same \square

pf of Lemma

Let x_1, \dots, x_p be a basis for $\ker(A)$. Extend this to $\{x_1, \dots, x_r, \dots, x_n\}$ basis for V
 Since K is nonsing, \exists basis $\{s_1, \dots, s_n\} \ni K s_i = x_i$. Then $D s_i = K^T A K s_i = K^T A x_i = K^T 0 = 0 = 0 s_i$ $i \leq r$

so 0 is an EW of $D \Rightarrow$ diag elt must be 0

Could any other elt of D be 0? Let q satisfy $D q = 0$ for $q \notin \text{Span}\{s_1, \dots, s_r\}$

$D q = 0 \Rightarrow K^T A K q = 0 \Rightarrow K^T A z = 0$ where $z = K q \Rightarrow z \in \ker(A)$ but that means $z \in \text{Span}\{x_1, \dots, x_r\} \Rightarrow q \in \text{Span}\{s_1, \dots, s_r\} \Rightarrow \square$

(6)

COR For a quadratic form
 $q(x) = f(x,x) = x^T A x$
 $A = A^T$

$\Rightarrow \exists$ a special $D_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & \ddots \\ & & & & -1 \\ & & & & & \ddots \\ & & & & & & -1 \\ & & & & & & & \ddots \\ & & & & & & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 Such that
 $q(x) = \underbrace{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_s^2}_{\text{pos}} - \underbrace{x_{s+1}^2 - \dots - x_r^2}_{\text{neg}} + 0$

This representation is unique for q

Pf. From Thm 12.4 we know $\exists \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ such that $f(e_i, e_j) = 0$ $i \neq j$
 but $f(e_i, e_i) = \alpha_i$ and we want $\tilde{\alpha}_i = \pm 1$ provided $\alpha_i \neq 0$
 Redefine $\tilde{e}_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\alpha_i|}} e_i$ when $\alpha_i \neq 0$, then $f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{|\alpha_i|}} e_i, \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\alpha_i|}} e_i\right) = \frac{1}{|\alpha_i|} f(e_i, e_i) = \frac{1}{|\alpha_i|} \alpha_i = \pm 1$
 [and $f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{|\alpha_i|}} e_i, \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\alpha_j|}} e_j\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\alpha_i|}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\alpha_j|}} f(e_i, e_j) = 0$ still] \square

What is this in matrix terms? If I have $D = K^T A K$ and I want to convert this to the special D_1 form, we just have to mult on left and right by another diag matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & & \\ & \beta & \\ & & 0 \end{bmatrix} = K^T A K$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\alpha|}} & & \\ & \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\beta|}} & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & & \\ & \beta & \\ & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\alpha|}} & & \\ & \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\beta|}} & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix} = C^T K^T A (K C)$$

thus $(K C)$ converts to D_1 .

Strang LAAIA ch6 views Sylvester a little differently. He considers all possible COVs $x = C y$ (for nonsing C) in quadratic form $q(x) = x^T A x$ and thus is led to consider the set of all transforms of A : $A_c := C^T A C$ [remember A was symm and so is this]

Strang has introduced Spectral Thm and thus \exists O.N. $Q \ni \Lambda = Q^T A Q$ diag matrix of EWs so Strang phrases Sylvester as 'Every A_c has same number of pos, neg and 0 EWs'. Then since "Strang's Cholesky" $A = L D L^T$ has same form, it is a Corollary that D has same # of pos, neg, 0 diag elts even though they are not EWs.