

Math 846

Lecture 40

$\mathbb{F}$  arb field

$V$  is  $n \times n$  fd vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$

$$\Phi = (A, \{E_i\}_{i=0}^d; A^*, \{E_i^*\}_{i=0}^d)$$

is a TD system on  $V$  with eigenvalue  
sequence  $\{\theta_i\}_{i=0}^d$  and dual eigenvalue sequence  
 $\{\theta_i^*\}_{i=0}^d$

Def 10 The  $\Phi$ -split decomposition of  $V$

is the sequence  $\{U_i\}_{i=0}^d$  from Thm 9.

Next goal: for the  $\Phi$ -split decomp  $\{U_i\}_{i=0}^d$

show

- $E_i^* V, U_i, E_i V$  have same dim ( $= p_i$ )
- $p_i^* = p_{d-i}$  for  $0 \leq i \leq d$
- $p_m \leq p_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq d/2$

DEF 11  $F_n$  os'ed define  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear

map  $F_i: V \rightarrow V$

by

$$(F_i - I)u_i = 0$$

$$F_i u_j = 0 \text{ if } i \neq j \quad (0 \leq j \leq d)$$

So  $F_i$  is the projection onto  $U_i$

Define  $F_{-1} = 0$  and  $F_{d+1} = 0$

We have

$$F_i F_j = \delta_{ij} F_i \quad (0 \leq i, j \leq d)$$

$$I = \sum_{i=0}^d F_i$$

$$U_i = F_i V \quad (0 \leq i \leq d)$$

LEM 12  $F_n \quad 0 \leq i < j \leq d.$

(i)  $E_i F_j = 0,$

(ii)  $F_i E_j = 0,$

(iii)  $E_j^* F_i = 0,$

(iv)  $F_j E_i^* = 0.$

pf (i) obs

$$\begin{aligned}
E_i F_j V &= E_i U_j \\
&\subseteq E_i (U_j + \dots + U_d) \\
&= E_i (E_j V + \dots + E_d V) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

(ii) obs

$$\begin{aligned}
F_i E_j V &\subseteq F_i (E_j V + \dots + E_d V) \\
&= F_i (U_j + \dots + U_d) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

(iii), (iv) Sim.

□

) LEM 13  $F_n$   $0 \leq i \leq d$ ,

$$(i) \quad F_i E_i F_i = F_i$$

$$(ii) \quad E_i F_i E_i = E_i$$

$$(iii) \quad F_i E_i^* F_i = F_i$$

$$(iv) \quad E_i^* F_i E_i^* = E_i^*$$

pf (i)

$$F_i = F_i^2$$

$$= F_i (E_0 + E_1 + \dots + E_d) F_i$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{for } 0 \leq j \leq d, \\ F_i E_j = 0 \quad \text{if } i < j \text{ and} \\ E_j F_i = 0 \quad \text{if } j < i \end{array} \right]$$

$$= F_i E_i F_i$$

(iii) - (iv) Sim.

□

LEM 14 For  $\alpha \leq d$

(i) the  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear maps

$$U_i: \rightarrow E_i V$$

$$v \rightarrow E_i v$$

$$E_i V \rightarrow U_i$$

$$v \rightarrow F_i v$$

are bijections, and moreover they are inverses.

(ii) the  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear maps

$$U_i: \rightarrow E_i^* V$$

$$v \rightarrow E_i^* v$$

$$E_i^* V \rightarrow U_i$$

$$v \rightarrow F_i v$$

are bijections, and moreover they are inverses.

pf (i). They are inverses by Lem 13 (i), (ii).

It follows they are bijections.

(ii) Sim.

□

COR 15 For  $0 \leq i \leq d$  the dimensions

of  $E_i V$ ,  $U_i$ ,  $E_i^* V$  are equal. Denoting  
this dimension by  $p_i$  we have

$$p_i = p_{d-i}$$

Pf By Lem 14 the dimensions of

$E_i V$ ,  $U_i$ ,  $E_i^* V$  are equal. Call this dimension  $p_i$

To show  $p_i = p_{d-i}$ , suffices to show

$$\dim E_i^* V = \dim E_{d-i}^* V \quad (*)$$

We just showed

$$\dim E_i V = \dim E_i^* V$$

Applying this result to  $\Phi^{\downarrow}$  we get

$$\dim E_i V = \dim E_{d-i}^* V$$

this gives (\*). □

Def 16 Set

$$R = A - \sum_{h=0}^d \theta_h F_h$$

$$L = A^{\vee} - \sum_{h=0}^d \theta_h^{\vee} F_h$$

We call  $R$  (resp  $L$ ) the raising  
(resp lowering) map for  $\mathfrak{E}$ .

LEM 17 For  $0 \leq i \leq d$  the following hold

on  $U_i$ :

$$R = A - \theta_i I, \quad L = A^{\vee} - \theta_i^{\vee} I$$

pf Since  $F_h$  is the projection onto  $U_h$  for  $0 \leq h \leq d$ . □



) Cor 17 For  $0 \leq i \leq d$ ,

(i)  $R U_i \subseteq U_{i+1}$ ,

(ii)  $L U_i \subseteq U_{i+1}$ .

pf. Combine thm 9 (ii) and Lem 17. □

LEM 18 For  $0 \leq i \leq j \leq d$  the  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear map

$$\begin{aligned} U_i &\longrightarrow U_j \\ v &\longrightarrow R^{j-i}v \end{aligned}$$

is an injection if  $i+j \leq d$ , a bijection if  $i+j = d$ ,  
and a surjection if  $i+j \geq d$ .

The  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear map

$$\begin{aligned} U_j &\longrightarrow U_i \\ v &\longrightarrow L^{j-i}v \end{aligned}$$

is an injection if  $i+j \geq d$ , a bijection if  $i+j = d$ ,  
and a surjection if  $i+j \leq d$ .

(Caution: above maps are not inverses, even if  $i+j = d$ )

Pf Concerning  $R$ :

Case  $i+j \leq d$ : Given  $v \in U_i$  st  $R^{j-i}v = 0$ .

Show  $v = 0$ ,

obs

$$0 = R^{j-i} v$$

$$= (A - \alpha_{j-1} I) \cdots (A - \alpha_{i+1} I) (A - \alpha_i I) v$$

So

$$v \in E_i v + \cdots + E_{j-1} v$$

$$\subseteq E_0 v + \cdots + E_{j-1} v$$

So

$$v \in U_i$$

$$\subseteq U_0 + \cdots + U_i$$

$$= E_0^{\vee} v + \cdots + E_i^{\vee} v$$

So

$$v \in \underbrace{(E_0^{\vee} v + \cdots + E_i^{\vee} v) \cap (E_0 v + \cdots + E_{j-1} v)}$$

$\parallel$  by Lem 8 applied to  $\mathbb{F}^{\vee}$   
0

So  $v = 0$

Case  $i+j=d$ .  $U_i, U_j$  have same dim so above injection is bijection.

Case  $i+j \geq d$ : Given  $w \in U_j$  find

$$v \in U_i \text{ st } R^{j-i} v = w.$$

Consider map

$$\begin{aligned} U_{d-j} &\rightarrow U_j \\ u &\rightarrow R^{d-2j} u \end{aligned}$$

By above comments this is bijectm. So  $\exists u \in U_{d-j}$

$$\text{st } R^{d-2j} u = w.$$

$$\text{Def } v = R^{i+j-d} u.$$

then  $v \in U_i$  and  $R^{j-i} v = w.$

Our assertions about  $R$  are proved.

The proof for  $L$  is similar.

□

COR 19 We have

$$p_{i'} \leq p_i \quad 1 \leq i' \leq d/2$$

pf The map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U_{i'} & \longrightarrow & U_i \\ v & \longrightarrow & Rv \end{array}$$

is injective by LEM 18 so

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \dim U_{i'} & \leq & \dim U_i \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ p_{i'} & & p_i \end{array}$$

□

Next goal: the tetrahedron diagram

Notation Given a decomp of  $V$  of

length  $d$ :

$$\{v_i\}_{i=0}^d$$

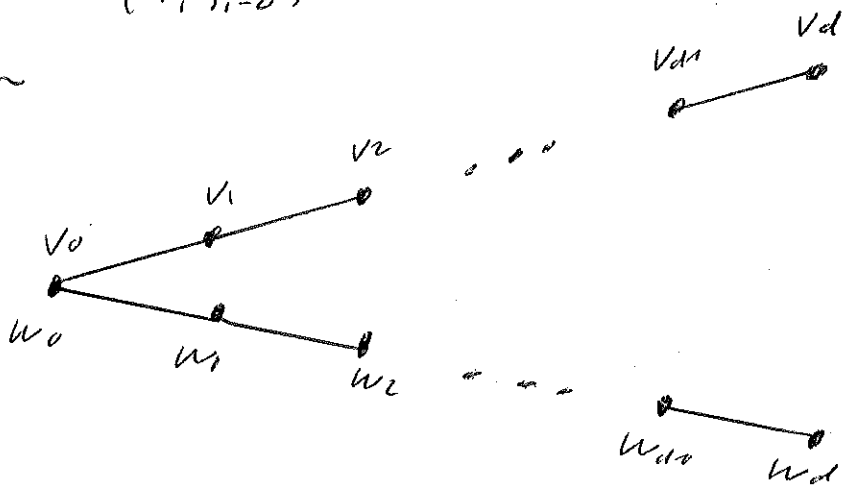
Represent by a dotted line segment:



Given two decoms of  $V$  of length  $d$ :

$$\{v_i\}_{i=0}^d, \{w_i\}_{i=0}^d$$

then



means

$$v_0 + v_1 + \dots + v_i' = w_0 + w_1 + \dots + w_i' \quad (0 \leq i \leq d)$$

Recall the  $\mathbb{F}$ -split decomp  $\{u_i\}_{i=0}^d$  satisfies

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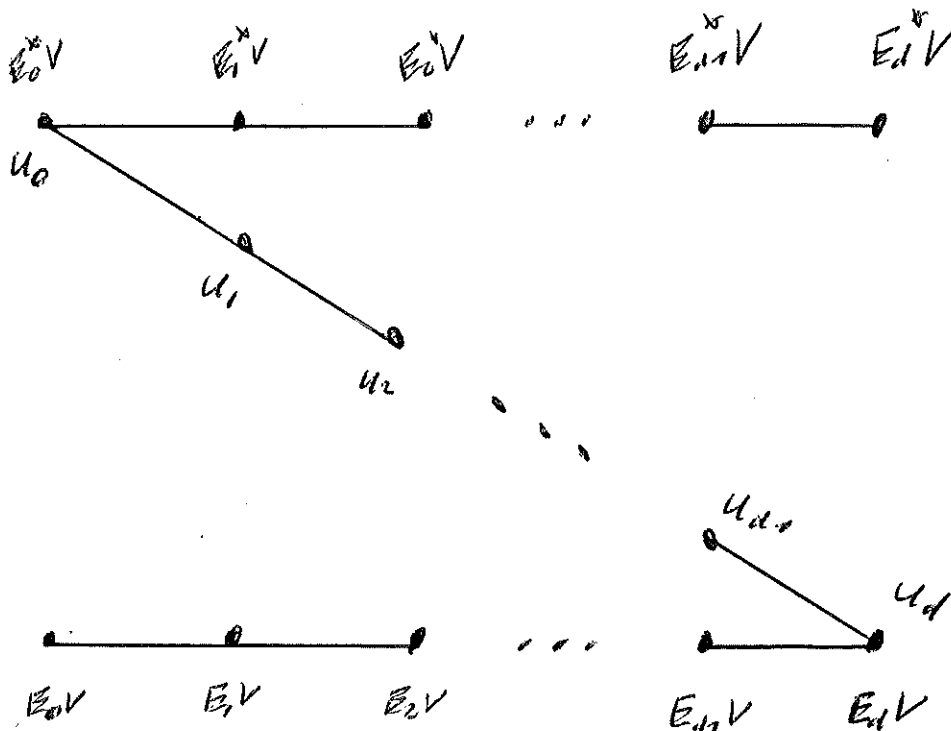
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$$u_0 + u_1 + \dots + u_i = E_0^* V + E_1^* V + \dots + E_i^* V$$

$$u_i + u_{i+1} + \dots + u_d = E_i V + E_{i+1} V + \dots + E_d V$$

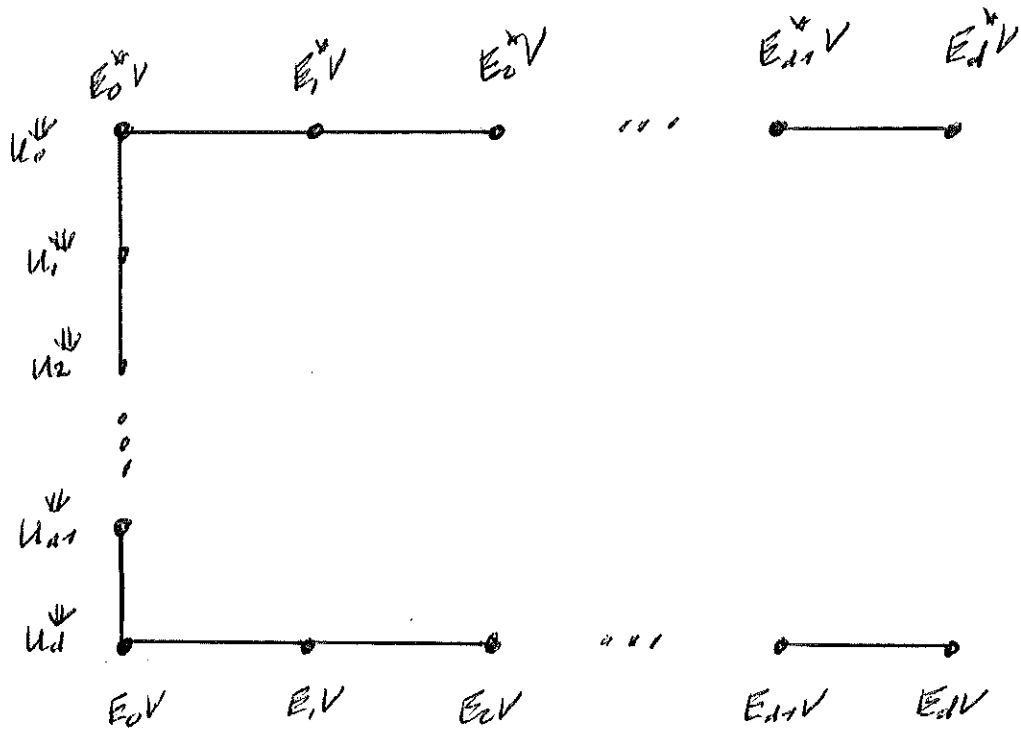
for  $0 \leq i \leq d$ .

Corresponding diagram is:



Applying this to  $\Phi \Downarrow$  get

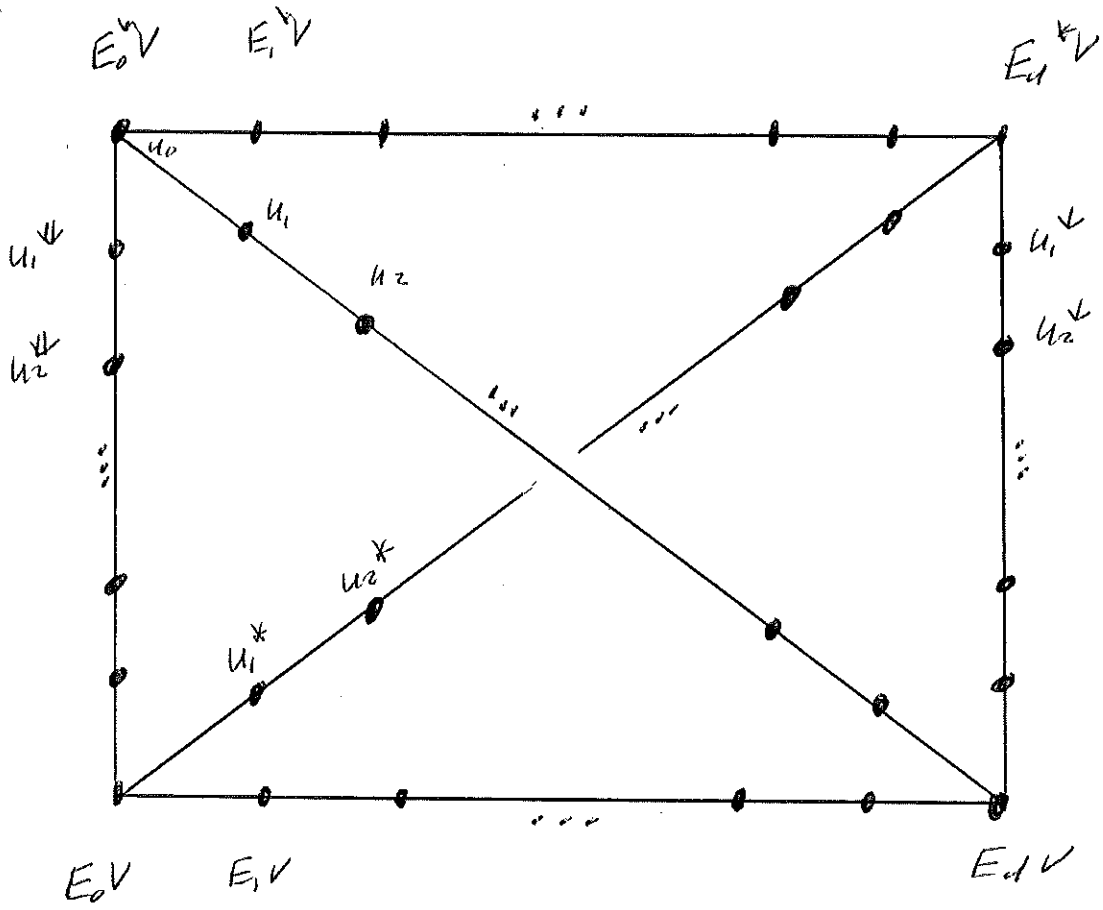
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Other relations of  $\Phi$  give similar diagrams

Altogether we get the following diagram.





We now describe the above diagram from a different pt of view.

Notation Let  $\{a_i\}_{i=0}^d$  denote a sequence of positive integers whose sum is the dimension of  $V$ .

A flag on  $V$  of shape  $\{a_i\}_{i=0}^d$  is a nested sequence of subspaces

$$V_0 \subseteq V_1 \subseteq V_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq V_d$$

st

$$\dim V_i = a_0 + a_1 + \dots + a_i \quad 0 \leq i \leq d.$$

So  $V_d = V$ .

Call  $V_i$  the  $i$ th component of the flag.

the following construction yields a flag on  $V$  of shape  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=0}^d$ :

let  $\{W_i\}_{i=0}^d$  denote a decomp of  $V$  with

$\alpha_i = \dim W_i$  for  $0 \leq i \leq d$ . ocf

$$V_i = W_0 + W_1 + \dots + W_i \quad 0 \leq i \leq d.$$

then  $\{V_i\}_{i=0}^d$  is a flag on  $V$  of shape  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=0}^d$ .

Given 2 flags on  $V$ :

$$\{V_i\}_{i=0}^d \quad \text{and} \quad \{V_i'\}_{i=0}^d$$

call these flags opposite whenever

$\exists$  decomp  $\{W_i\}_{i=0}^d$  of  $V$  s.t.

$$V_i = W_0 + \dots + W_i \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

$$V_i' = W_d + \dots + W_{d-i} \quad 0 \leq i \leq d.$$

In this case

$$V_i \cap V_j' = 0 \quad \text{if } i+j < d \quad (0 \leq i, j \leq d)$$

$$W_i = V_i \cap V_{d-i}' \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

So  $\{W_i\}_{i=0}^d$  is determined by the given flags. Call  $\{W_i\}_{i=0}^d$  the associated decomp.

Def 20 Referring to our TD system  $\mathbb{F}$ ,  
we now define 4 flags on  $V$ , denoted

$$[0], [D], [0^*], [D^*],$$

Each has shape  $\{p_i\}_{i=0}^d$

flag	$i$ th component
$[0]$	$E_0 V + \dots + E_i V$
$[D]$	$E_0 V + \dots + E_{d-i} V$
$[0^*]$	$E_0^* V + \dots + E_i^* V$
$[D^*]$	$E_0^* V + \dots + E_{d-i}^* V$

obs  $[0], [D]$  are opp and  
 $[0^*], [D^*]$  are opp.

LEM 21 The four flags in Def 20  
are mutually opposite.

pf Show  $[0^*], [0]$  are opp

Take split decomp  $\{u_i\}_{i=0}^d$  for  $\mathbb{F}$ .

For  $0 \leq i \leq d$

$$\begin{aligned} i\text{th comp of } [0^*] &= E_0^* V + \dots + E_i^* V \\ &= u_0 + \dots + u_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} i\text{th comp of } [0] &= E_d V + \dots + E_{d-i} V \\ &= u_d + \dots + u_{d-i} \end{aligned}$$

Rest of proof is similar.

□