

Definitions 10.1-10.3: Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors (of square matrices)

A non-zero vector \vec{v} is called an eigenvector of the square matrix A if there exists a scalar, λ , with the property that $A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$. If such a vector and scalar exist, the scalar λ is called an eigenvalue of A .

The eigenvalues of A are the solutions to the equation $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$; this equation is called the characteristic equation of A .

Example 10.1

Determine the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix A where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$. - $\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$

Characteristic eq: $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (2-\lambda)(4-\lambda) - (-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda - 3)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 3$$

\therefore The only eigen value of A is 3.

$$\lambda = 3$$

$$A\vec{x} = 3\vec{x}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3x_1 \\ 3x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 + x_2 = 3x_1 \\ -x_1 + 4x_2 = 3x_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} -1x_1 + 1x_2 = 0 \\ -1x_1 + 1x_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$2 - \lambda = 2 - 3$$

$$4 - \lambda = 4 - 3$$

Clearly $x_2 = x_1$
 \therefore An eigenvector is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

check

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example 10.2

Whence the characteristic equation?

Example 10.3

Determine the eigenvalues for $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 6 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 12 & 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

10.2 If \vec{x} is an eigenvector of A with the eigenvalue λ , then we have:

$$A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x} \Rightarrow A\vec{x} = \lambda(I\vec{x})$$

$$\Rightarrow A\vec{x} = (\lambda I)\vec{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow A\vec{x} - \lambda I\vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)\vec{x} = \vec{0} \text{ (Eq. 1)}$$

Since \vec{x} cannot be $\vec{0}$, Eq. 1 has non-trivial solutions

$$\therefore \det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

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10.3 // Characteristic eq: $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3-\lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 6-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 12 & 3-\lambda & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 2 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (3-\lambda)(6-\lambda)(3-\lambda)(-\lambda) = 0$$

\therefore Our eigenvalues and their algebraic multiplicities are

| Table 1: Eigenstuff | |
|---------------------|------------|
| eigenvalue | alg. mult. |
| 3 | 2 |
| 6 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 |

Definitions 10.4 and 10.5: Eigenspaces (of square matrices)

The set of all eigenvectors associated with the specific eigenvalue λ_i is called the

λ_i -eigenspace of A . The dimension of the λ_i -eigenspace is called the geometric multiplicity of λ_i .

Example 10.4

Determine bases for the eigenspaces of B where $B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\text{Characteristic eq: } \det(B - \lambda I) = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4-\lambda & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1-\lambda & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (-1)^{1+1}(4-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 6 \\ -1 & 8-\lambda \end{vmatrix} + (-1)^{1+2}(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 2 & 8-\lambda \end{vmatrix} + (-1)^{1+3}(6) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1-\lambda \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (4-\lambda) [(1-\lambda)(8-\lambda) - (-6)] + [2(8-\lambda) - 12] + 6[-2 - 2(1-\lambda)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (4-\lambda) [\lambda^2 - 9\lambda + 4] + [-2\lambda + 4] + 6[2\lambda - 4] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (4-\lambda) (\lambda-2)(\lambda-7) - 2(\lambda-2) + 12(\lambda-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda-2) [(4-\lambda)(\lambda-7) - 2 + 12] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda-2) [-\lambda^2 + 11\lambda - 18] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -(\lambda-2)(\lambda^2 - 11\lambda + 18) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -(\lambda-2)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-9) = 0$$

\therefore The eigenvalues are 2 (alg mult of 2)
 & 9 (alg mult of 1)

2-eigenspace

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 2x_2 \\ 2x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1/2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{Gen Sol: } \begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{1}{2}x_2 - 3x_3 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Basis: } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Check

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

9-eigenspace

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9x_1 \\ 9x_2 \\ 9x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} -5 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -8 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{Gen Sol: } \begin{cases} x_1 = x_3 \\ x_2 = x_3 \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Basis: } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Check

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 9 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

Definition 10.6 and Theorem 10.1: Similar Matrices

The square matrices A and B are similar matrices if and only if there exists a matrix P with the property that $A = PBP^{-1}$ (or, similarly, $P^{-1}AP = B$). Similar matrices have the same characteristic equation.

NOTE: Not all matrices that share a characteristic equation are similar!

Theorem 10.2 and Definition 10.: Diagonalization of an $n \times n$ matrix A

If A has n linearly independent eigenvectors, then A is similar to a diagonal matrix, D . Furthermore, $D = P^{-1}AP$ where the columns of P are composed of n linearly independent eigenvectors of A and the main diagonal entry in the i^{th} column of D is the eigenvalue that corresponds to the eigenvector in the i^{th} column of P . The product PDP^{-1} is called a diagonalization of A .

Example 10.5

Determine two distinct diagonalizations of A where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$.

The eigenvalues of A are 3 (alg. mult of 2) and 8 (alg. mult of 1). (calculator)

3-eigenspace

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3x_1 \\ 3x_2 \\ 3x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

General Solution: $\begin{cases} x_1 = -2x_2 - 3x_3 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$

Basis: $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

Check

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

8-eigenspace

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8x_1 \\ 8x_2 \\ 8x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 & 3 & | & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 & | & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1/2 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/2 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

General Solution: $\begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{1}{2}x_3 \\ x_2 = -\frac{1}{2}x_3 \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$

Basis: $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

Check

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -8 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

\therefore One diagonalization of A is:

$$A = PDP^{-1} \text{ where}$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, P^{-1} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 7 & 3 \\ -2 & -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Check: } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 7 & 3 \\ -2 & -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -6 & -9 \\ -8 & 3 & 0 \\ 16 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 7 & 3 \\ -2 & -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 10 & 15 \\ -5 & 5 & 15 \\ 10 & 20 & 45 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

Another diagonalization is

$A = PDP^{-1}$ where:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, P^{-1} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -4 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 7 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example 10.6

Diagonalize B where $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$; use the result to simplify B^n where n is a natural number. To

get to the point more quickly, let's use our calculators to find the eigenvalues of M .

The eigenvalues of B are 1 (algebraic multiplicity of 2) and 0 (with an algebraic multiplicity of 1).

1 - eigenspace

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1/2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{General Solution: } \begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{1}{2}x_2 + x_3 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Basis: } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

0 - eigenspace

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{Gen Sol: } \begin{cases} x_1 = x_3 \\ x_2 = x_3 \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases} \quad \text{Basis: } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$\therefore B = PDP^{-1}$ where

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

note: $B^k = \overbrace{(PDP^{-1})(PDP^{-1})(PDP^{-1}) \dots (PDP^{-1})}^{k \text{ - factors}}$

$$= PD(P^{-1}P)D(P^{-1}P)D(P^{-1}P) \dots (P^{-1}P)DP^{-1}$$

$$= PD \ I \ D \ I \ D \ I \ \dots \ I \ D \ P^{-1}$$

$$= P \underbrace{D D D \dots D}_{k \text{ - factors}} P^{-1}$$

$$= PD^k P^{-1}$$

Observation

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} a^2 & 0 \\ 0 & b^2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}^3 &= \begin{bmatrix} a^2 & 0 \\ 0 & b^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} a^3 & 0 \\ 0 & b^3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Clearly } \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}^k = \begin{bmatrix} a^k & 0 \\ 0 & b^k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B^k = P D^k P^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1^k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1^k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0^k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= B$$

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$B^k = B$ for

all counting numbers k .

B is called

idempotent.

Example 10.7

What happens when we try to diagonalize M where $M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -5 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$?

Characteristic equation: $\det(M - \lambda I) = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda & 1 \\ 2 & -5 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow 0 C_{13} + 1 \cdot (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ 2 & -5 \end{vmatrix} + (4-\lambda)(-1)^{3+3} \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$



$$\Rightarrow -[5\lambda - 2] + (4-\lambda)[\lambda^2 - 0] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\lambda^3 + 4\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^3 - 4\lambda^2 + 5\lambda - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 1) = 0$$

Rational zero Thm
(abbreviated)
If the leading coefficient
is 1, any rational zero
evenly divides into
the constant term.
 $\{-2, -1, 1, 2\}$

\therefore Table 2: Eigenvalues of M

| value | alg. mult. |
|-------|------------|
| 1 | 2 |
| 2 | 1 |

1 - Eigenspace

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -5 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

To the base ...

A basis is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

Since the 1-eigenspace
is the only one that
could have geometric
multiplicity of 2, and doesn't,

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M does not have three linearly independent eigenvectors
and, hence, cannot be diagonalized.

Example 10.8

Consider the recursive *Sequence* where $a_1 = 1$, $a_2 = 1$, and $a_k = 2a_{k-1} + 3a_{k-2}$ for $k \geq 3$. Let's find a general term formula (non-recursive) for a_k starting at $k = 3$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a_1 = 1 \\ a_2 = 1 \end{array} \right\} \left. \begin{array}{l} a_3 = 2a_2 + 3a_1 \\ \quad = 2(1) + 3(1) \\ \quad = 5 \end{array} \right\} \left. \begin{array}{l} a_4 = 2a_3 + 3a_2 \\ \quad = 2(5) + 3(1) \\ \quad = 13 \end{array} \right\}$$

note:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_k \\ a_{k-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{k-1} \\ a_{k-2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Define } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 3 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 3 \text{ or } \lambda = -1$$

3-eigen space

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3x_1 \\ 3x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Basis: } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \checkmark$$

-1-eigen space

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x_1 \\ -x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Basis: } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \checkmark$$

$$\therefore A = PDP^{-1} \text{ where } P = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, P^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore A^k &= PD^kP^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3^k & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 3^{k+1} & (-1)^{k+1} \\ 3^k & (-1)^k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 3^{k+1} + (-1)^{k+2} & 3^{k+1} + 3 \cdot (-1)^{k+1} \\ 3^k + (-1)^{k+1} & 3^k + 3 \cdot (-1)^k \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Note

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_4 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} a_3 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = A \cdot A \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = A^2 \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_5 \\ a_4 \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} a_4 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = A \cdot A^2 \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = A^3 \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

\vdots

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_k \\ a_{k-1} \end{bmatrix} = A^{k-2} \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_k \\ a_{k-1} \end{bmatrix} = A^{k-2} \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 3^{k-1} + (-1)^k & 3^{k-1} + 3 \cdot (-1)^{k-1} \\ 3^{k-2} + (-1)^{k-1} & 3^{k-2} + 3 \cdot (-1)^{k-2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore a_k &= \frac{1}{4} (3^{k-1} + (-1)^k + 3^{k-1} + 3(-1)^{k-1}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (2 \cdot 3^{k-1} + (-1)^k - 3(-1)^k) \\ &= \frac{2 \cdot 3^{k-1} - 2(-1)^k}{4} \end{aligned}$$

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$$a_{10} = \frac{2 \cdot 3^9 - 2(-1)^{10}}{4}$$

$$= 9,841$$

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Example 10.9

Diagonalize T where $T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

Characteristic Eq: $\det(T - \lambda I) = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 1 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda^2 = -1$$

Unfortunately, the eigenvalues are i and $-i$ (both alg. multiplicity of one)

i - eigenspace

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ix_1 \\ ix_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -i & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -i & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Gen solution: $\begin{cases} x_1 = -ix_2 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$

Basis: $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

$-i$ - eigenspace

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -ix_1 \\ -ix_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} i & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & i & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Gen sol: $\begin{cases} x_1 = ix_2 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$

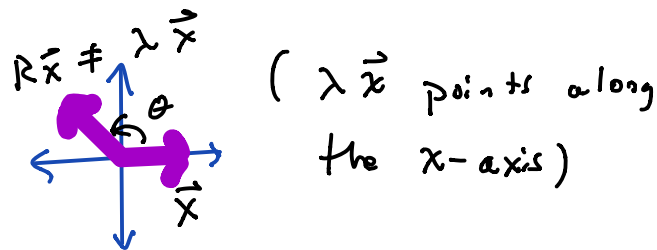
Basis: $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

$$\therefore T = PDP^{-1} \text{ where } P = \begin{bmatrix} -i & i \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{bmatrix}, \\ P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} i/2 & 1/2 \\ -i/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example 10.10

Explain geometrically why the rotation matrix $R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$ cannot possibly have any real number eigenvalues for $0 < \theta < \pi$.

$$\underbrace{R \vec{x}}_{\substack{\text{Changes direction} \\ \text{but not length}}} = \underbrace{\lambda \vec{x}}_{\substack{\text{Changes length} \\ \text{but not direction} \\ (\theta \neq \pi)}}$$



$$\text{if } \theta = 0$$

1 is an eigenvalue

$$R \vec{x} = 1 \vec{x}$$

$$\rightarrow \rightarrow$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(0) & -\sin(0) \\ \sin(0) & \cos(0) \end{bmatrix} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{if } \theta = \pi$$

-1 is an eigenvalue

$$R \vec{x} = -1 \vec{x}$$

$$\rightarrow \leftarrow$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\pi) & -\sin(\pi) \\ \sin(\pi) & \cos(\pi) \end{bmatrix} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(R - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda + 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda + 1 \end{vmatrix} = (\lambda + 1)^2$$