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Week 6 April, 8th.

(*) Let λ be an eigenvalue of a square matrix A . Then $\{\vec{x} \mid A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}\}$ is a vector subspace of \mathbb{R}^n (or \mathbb{C}^n).

(*) Note here that we shall consider \mathbb{C}^n in this chapter.

Consider $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ -2 & 3-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 5 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 2 \pm i.$$

For $\lambda = 2 + i$, Let $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ be the eigenvector of A associated

with λ . Then $A \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 = (2+i)x_1 \\ -2x_1 + 3x_2 = (2+i)x_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} (1+i)x_1 - x_2 = 0 \\ -2x_1 + (1-i)x_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1+i & -1 \\ -2 & 1-i \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Two equations are the same.}$$

Let $x_1 = 1$. Then $x_2 = 1+i$.

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1+i \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of A associated with $\lambda = 2+i$.

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Theorem (Important)

Any set of eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues of a matrix A is linearly independent.

Proof. Let $\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_t\}$ be a set of distinct eigenvalues of A

and $A\vec{x}_1 = \lambda_1\vec{x}_1, \dots, A\vec{x}_t = \lambda_t\vec{x}_t$. We claim that $\{\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_t\}$

is linearly independent.

Suppose not. Then, there exists an index $j < t$ such that

$$\vec{x}_{j+1} = \sum_{i=1}^j c_i \vec{x}_i \quad \text{and } \{\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_j\} \text{ is l. indep.}$$
$$\text{Hence } A\vec{x}_{j+1} = A\left(\sum_{i=1}^j c_i \vec{x}_i\right).$$

$$\lambda_{j+1} \vec{x}_{j+1} = \sum_{i=1}^j c_i \lambda_i \vec{x}_i$$

$$\parallel$$
$$\lambda_{j+1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^j c_i \vec{x}_i \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^j c_i (\lambda_i - \lambda_{j+1}) \vec{x}_i = \vec{0}$$

Since $\{\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_j\}$ is linearly independent,

$$c_i (\lambda_i - \lambda_{j+1}) = 0 \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, j.$$

$$\Rightarrow c_i = 0 \quad (\lambda_i \neq \lambda_{j+1})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{x}_{j+1} = \vec{0} \quad \leftarrow \text{(Eigenvectors are nonzero vectors!)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \circ \quad \varphi(\lambda; A) &= \det \left(\left[A - \lambda I \right]_{n \times n} \right) \\ &= \pm (\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2) \dots (\lambda - \lambda_n) \\ &= \pm (\lambda - \lambda_1)^{\alpha_1} (\lambda - \lambda_2)^{\alpha_2} \dots (\lambda - \lambda_t)^{\alpha_t} \end{aligned}$$

\circ $\alpha_i : i = 1, 2, \dots, t$
 \hookrightarrow algebraic multiplicity of λ_i (A)

$$\circ \quad E(\lambda_i) = \{ \vec{x} \mid A\vec{x} = \lambda_i \vec{x} \}$$

$$\dim(E(\lambda_i)) = d_i$$

$\circ \quad \hookrightarrow$ geometric multiplicity of λ_i (A)

\circ The algebraic multiplicity (resp. geometric multiplicity) of λ of A is defined as above.

$(*) \quad \boxed{d_i \leq \alpha_i \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, t.}$ Can you prove it?

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Definition (Eigenvalues of l. transformations)
(operators)

Let L be a l. transf. mapping V into itself.

If $L(\vec{v}) = \lambda \vec{v}$ and $\vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$, then we call λ an eigenvalue and \vec{v} an eigenvector of L .

(*) $[A]_{n \times n} : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$.

(*) Let $V = C^2[-\pi, \pi]$ (twice-differentiable).

$\sin t \in V$ and $L(\vec{v}) = \vec{v}'' = -\vec{v}$ if $\vec{v} = \sin t$.
(sine function)

Hence -1 is an eigenvalue and $\sin t$ is an eigenvector
(sine function)
of L .

We shall talk about this later.

~~Review that~~

Review that A is similar to B if there exists an

invertible matrix P such that $B = P^{-1}AP$. Finding P

is not easy at all.

Definition (Diagonalizable)

A matrix A is diagonalizable if \exists a diagonal matrix D such that A is similar to D , i.e., $\exists P$ (invertible) s.t.
 $P^{-1}AP = D$ or $PDP^{-1} = A$.

Example Is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ diagonalizable?

Step 1. Find the eigenvalues of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 2-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1, 2.$$

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

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ associated with $\lambda = 2$.

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

\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \hookrightarrow eigenvector asso. with $\lambda = 1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A\vec{v}_1 & A\vec{v}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1\vec{v}_1 & \lambda_2\vec{v}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Week 7

April 13, 15.

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Definition An $n \times n$ matrix A is said to be diagonalizable if there is a matrix (diagonalizing matrix) such that $P^{-1}AP = \Lambda$ is a diagonal matrix.

Theorem An $n \times n$ matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if it has n independent eigenvectors.

Proof. (\Rightarrow)

$$\text{Let } P = [\vec{w}_1 \ \vec{w}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{w}_n] \text{ and } \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & & 0 \\ & d_2 & \\ 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & d_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since A is diagonalizable, $\exists P$, s.t. $P^{-1}AP = \Lambda$.

Then $AP = P\Lambda$. This implies that

$$\begin{bmatrix} A\vec{w}_1 & A\vec{w}_2 & \dots & A\vec{w}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1\vec{w}_1 & d_2\vec{w}_2 & \dots & d_n\vec{w}_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

By the fact that P is invertible, $\{\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \dots, \vec{w}_n\}$ is a l. indep. set. Moreover, $A\vec{w}_i = d_i\vec{w}_i$, $i=1, 2, \dots, n$.

Thus, $\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \dots, \vec{w}_n$ are independent eigenvectors of A and d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n are the associated eigenvalues.

(\Leftarrow)

Let $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ be a set of l , indep, eigenvectors of A with associated eigenvalues $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n$.

Then
$$A \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A\vec{v}_1 & A\vec{v}_2 & \dots & A\vec{v}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1\vec{v}_1 & \mu_2\vec{v}_2 & \dots & \mu_n\vec{v}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 & & & \\ & \mu_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \mu_n \end{bmatrix}$$
. The proof follows by letting

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \end{bmatrix}$$
. ▀

Corollary If A is an $n \times n$ matrix with n distinct eigenvalues, then A is diagonalizable.

Proof. Corresponding eigenvectors are l , indep. ▀

Application Find A^k for large k .
(~~If~~ A is diagonalizable!)

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

$$P(\lambda; A) = \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= (1-\lambda)^3 - (1-\lambda) = (1-\lambda) \left[(1-\lambda)^2 - 1 \right]$$

$$= (1-\lambda)(1-\lambda-1)(1-\lambda+1) = 0$$

$\lambda = 0, 1, 2$. Eigenvectors are $(-1, 0, 1)$, $(-2, 1, 0)$, $(1, 0, 1)$.

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

$$A^{100} = ?$$

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

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

$$A^{100} = \left(P \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} P^{-1} \right)^{100} = P \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{100} P^{-1}$$

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Result 1

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$.

Then $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = \text{trace}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$ and $\prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = \det A$.

Proof. By definition, $\det(A - \lambda I) = (-1)^n \prod_{i=1}^n (\lambda - \lambda_i)$.

By letting $\lambda = 0$, then we have $\det A = (-1)^n \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$.

By $(-1)^n \prod_{i=1}^n (\lambda - \lambda_i)$ we have

$$(-1)^n \left[\lambda^n - (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n) \lambda^{n-1} + (\lambda_1 \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} \lambda_n) \lambda^{n-2} + \dots \right]$$

$(-1)^n \cdot (-1) \cdot (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n)$ is the coefficient of λ^{n-1} in the expansion.

Now, $\det[A - \lambda I] = \det \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & & * \\ & a_{22} - \lambda & * \\ * & * & \ddots \\ * & * & * & a_{nn} - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$,

the coefficient of λ^{n-1} is $\sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{n-1} a_{ii} = (-1)^{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$.

Hence we have $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii} = \text{trace}(A)$. ▀

Result 2

If A and B are similar, then A and B have the same "multiset" of eigenvalues.

Proof.

$$B \vec{x} = \lambda \vec{x} \quad (B = P^{-1}AP)$$

$$(P^{-1}AP) \vec{x} = \lambda \vec{x}$$

$$A P \vec{x} = \lambda P \vec{x}$$

$$A(\underline{P \vec{x}}) = \lambda(\underline{P \vec{x}})$$

Theorem (Result 3)

If A is a real matrix and has a complex eigenvalue λ ,
then the conjugate $\bar{\lambda} = a - bi$ ($a, b \in \mathbb{R}$) is also an eigenvalue
of A .

Proof.

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

$$\overline{A \vec{x}} = \overline{\lambda \vec{x}}$$

$$A \overline{\vec{x}} = \bar{\lambda} \overline{\vec{x}}.$$

(Result 4) Exercise

If A is a symmetric (real) matrix, then all eigenvalues
are real. Moreover, A is diagonalize.

(Eigenvectors corresponding to different eigenvalues are orthogonal,
 $(\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2)$)

i.e. $\underline{\vec{x}^T \vec{y} = 0.}$)