

LEC 2.1 Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

$$\det[A - \lambda I] = 0$$

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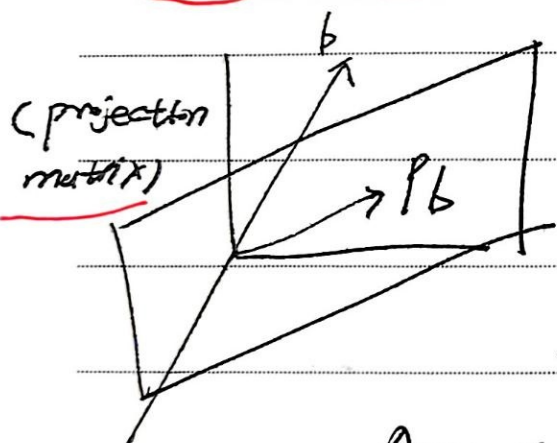
$$\text{TRACE} = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n$$

Eigenvectors

$$Ax \text{ parallel to } x \Rightarrow Ax = \lambda x$$

(λ can be negative or 0)

if A is singular, then $\lambda = 0$ is an eigenvalue



what are x 's and λ 's for

a projection ~~matrix~~ matrix?

\Rightarrow Eigenvectors

so (Px/x)

Any x in the plane: $Px = x$, $\lambda = 1$

Any x perpendicular to the plane: $Px = 0x$, $\lambda = 0$

(permutation matrix)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = x \quad \lambda = 1$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = -x \quad \lambda = -1$$

a neat fact: the sum of λ 's = $a_{11} + a_{22} + \dots + a_{nn}$



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and the number of Eigenvalues = n ^{def of A}

how to solve $Ax = \lambda x \Rightarrow x \neq 0$

Rewrite $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$

must be singular ^{why (x can be nonzero)}

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

Find λ First

ex $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

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

$$= (3-\lambda)^2 - 1$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 8 = (\lambda - 4)(\lambda - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 4, \lambda_2 = 2$$

$$2. A - 4I = \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda_1 = 4, x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda_2 = 2, x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

if I can solve this equation it must be singular means A is invertible (it has nullspace nonzero)

~~A = F~~ compare with this $A' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \text{shifted } A' + 3I$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda'_1 + 3, \lambda_2 = \lambda'_2 + 3, x's \text{ don't change!}$$



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$$\Rightarrow \text{if } Ax = \lambda x, \quad (A + 3I)x = (\lambda + 3)x$$

Not so great $A+B, AB$

if $Ax = \lambda x$, B has eigenvalues α ,

$$Bx = \alpha x$$

~~$$(A+B)x = (\lambda + \alpha)x$$~~

Example Q rotation

90° rotation $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{trace: } 0 + 0 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$$

$$\det = 1 = \lambda_1 \lambda_2$$

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

$= 0$

bad thing $\rightarrow \lambda_1 = i, \lambda_2 = -i$

Q is far away from symmetric

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

$$= (3-\lambda)(3-\lambda)$$

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 3$$

go to eigenvectors: $(A - \lambda I)x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, x_2 = \text{no second independent } x$$