

## Lecture 18 1f8web

last time: diagonalizability, Markov matrices

### Matrix Powers

Recall  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$   $A^2 = AA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 1^2 & 1^2 \\ 0 & 1^2 \end{pmatrix}$

Example:  $D = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$D^2 = DD = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3^2 & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D^3 = D^2 D = \begin{pmatrix} 3^2 & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3^3 & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vdots$$
$$D^k = \begin{pmatrix} 3^k & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^k \end{pmatrix}$$

Moral: matrix power of diagonal matrix is easy to compute

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n} \quad D^k = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^k & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n^k \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

Example: diagonalizable matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = P D P^{-1}$   $D = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$   $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A^2 = AA = (P D P^{-1})(P D P^{-1}) = P D^2 P^{-1}$$

$$A^3 = A^2 A = (P D^2 P^{-1})(P D P^{-1}) = P D^3 P^{-1}$$

$\vdots$

$$A^k = P D^k P^{-1} = P \begin{pmatrix} 3^k & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^k \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}$$

Moral: matrix power of a diagonalizable matrix is straightforward once eigenvalues & an eigenbasis are known.

If  $A = P D P^{-1}$   $P$  invertible &  $D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$  diagonal then

$$A^k = P D^k P^{-1} = P \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^k & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n^k \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}$$

## § Matrix Exponential

Recall Taylor series:  $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \dots = \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{k!} x^k$  for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $A_{n \times n}$  square matrix,

Define matrix exponential of  $A$ :

$$e^A = \exp(A) := I + A + \frac{1}{2}A^2 + \frac{1}{6}A^3 + \dots = \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{k!} A^k \quad \text{where } A^0 := I$$

Example:  $A = O_{n \times n}$  zero matrix

$$\exp(O) = I + O + \frac{1}{2}O^2 + \frac{1}{6}O^3 + \dots = I_n$$

Example: diagonal matrix  $D = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(D) &= \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{k!} D^k = \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{k!} \begin{pmatrix} 3^k & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{k!} 3^k & 0 \\ 0 & \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{k!} (-1)^k \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} e^3 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Moral: matrix exponential of a diagonal matrix is easy

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n} \quad \exp(D) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{\lambda_n} \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

Example: diagonalizable matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = P D P^{-1}$ , invertible  $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , diagonal  $D = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(A) &= \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{k!} A^k = \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{k!} P D^k P^{-1} = P \left( \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{k!} D^k \right) P^{-1} = P e^D P^{-1} \\ &= P \begin{pmatrix} e^3 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-1} \end{pmatrix} P^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Moral: matrix exponential of diagonalizable matrix is straightforward once eigenvalues & an eigenbasis are known.

$$A = P D P^{-1} \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \exp(A) = P e^D P^{-1} = P \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{\lambda_n} \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}$$

Properties:  $A, B$   $n \times n$  square matrices

(1)  $\exp(A)$  well-defined

(2) if  $AB=BA$  then  $e^A e^B = e^{A+B} = e^B e^A$

we say  $A, B$  commute

(3)  $\exp(A)^T = \exp(A^T)$

Example:  $A_{n \times n}$  square matrix

$$A(-A) = -A^2 = (-A)A \quad \Rightarrow \quad e^A e^{-A} = \underbrace{e^{A+(-A)}}_{e^0 = I} = e^{-A} e^A$$

$$\Rightarrow e^A e^{-A} = I = e^{-A} e^A \Rightarrow e^A \text{ is an invertible matrix with inverse } e^{-A}$$

Moral:  $\exp(A)$  is always an invertible matrix

Example:  $A_{n \times n}$  skew-symmetric,  $A^T = -A$

$$A A^T = A(-A) = (-A)A = A^T A \quad \Rightarrow \quad e^A e^{A^T} = \underbrace{e^{A+A^T}}_{e^0 = I} = e^{A^T} e^A$$

$e^{A^T} = \exp(A^T)$   
 $= \exp(A)^T$

$$\exp(A) \exp(A)^T = I = \exp(A)^T \exp(A) \Rightarrow \exp(A) \text{ is an orthogonal matrix}$$

Moral:  $A_{n \times n}$  skew-symmetric  $\Rightarrow \exp(A)$  is orthogonal matrix

Fact:  $A_{n \times n}$  square matrix, then  $\det(e^A) = e^{\text{tr}(A)}$

Example:  $A$  diagonalizable matrix  $A = P D P^{-1}$   $D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n}$   $\lambda_i$  eigenvalues of  $A$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(e^A) &= \det(P e^D P^{-1}) = \cancel{\det(P)} \det(e^D) \cancel{\det(P^{-1})} = \det \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{\lambda_n} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= e^{\lambda_1} \dots e^{\lambda_n} = e^{\sum \lambda_i} = e^{\text{tr}(A)} \end{aligned}$$

