

Booklet 7 Notes

Note! Since linear recurrence isn't on the exam, I will exclude them from here.

1. Let A be a $n \times n$ matrix. Let λ be a scalar. λ is the eigenvalue of A if there's a non-zero vector, $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ s.t. $A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$. \vec{v} is the eigenvector of A .

I.e. Suppose we have a linear transformation that changes a vector by multiplying it to a scalar. The scalar is the eigenvalue and the vector is the eigenvector.

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

$$A\vec{v} - \lambda\vec{v} = 0$$

$$\vec{v}(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

2. Let A be a $n \times n$ matrix. The characteristic polynomial of A is given by $P(\lambda) = \det |A - \lambda I|$. If λ is the eigenvalue of A , then $E_\lambda = \{\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}\}$ is the eigenspace of A .
 $E_\lambda = \text{nullspace of } (A - \lambda I)$.

3. Let A be a $n \times n$ matrix. Let λ be the eigenvalue of A and let \vec{v} be the eigenvector of A .

1. λ^k is an eigenvalue of A^k and \vec{v} is an eigenvector of A^k corresponding to A^k , $k \geq 0$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

2. A is invertible iff $\lambda \neq 0$.

3. If A is invertible, then $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ is an eigenvalue of A^{-1} and

\vec{v} is an eigenvector of A^{-1} corresponding to $\frac{1}{\lambda}$.

4. If $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a linear transformation, then the eigenvalues of T are the eigenvalues of its standard matrix rep.

4. Diagonalizable Matrices

Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices.

1. A is a diagonal matrix if all its entries are on its main diagonal and every other entry is 0.

Fig.
$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & v_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & v_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. A is diagonalizable if \exists an invertible $n \times n$ matrix, P , s.t. PAP^{-1} is a diagonal matrix.

3. Let $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_k$ be eigenvectors corresponding to the distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ of the square matrix, A . Then $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_k$ are lin indep.

5. 3 ways to tell if a matrix is diagonalizable.

1. If A is symmetric, $A^T = A$, then A is diagonalizable. This does not mean that if $A^T \neq A$, then A is not diagonalizable.

2. Let A be a $n \times n$ matrix. Let $A \sim H$. If there is a pivot in every col of H , then A is diagonalizable. Otherwise, A is not.

3. The algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda \geq$ geometric multiplicity of λ .
Algebraic multiplicity is the number of times λ equals a value.
Geometric multiplicity is the $\dim(E_\lambda)$, i.e. the nullspace of the eigenspace.

If $\text{geo} = \text{alge}$, then the matrix is diagonalizable.
Otherwise, it's not.

6. If A, B are $n \times n$ matrices s.t. $B = PAP^{-1}$ for some invertible $n \times n$ matrix, P , then A and B are similar matrices.

Properties of Similar Matrices:

1. $\det(A) = \det(B)$
2. A is invertible iff B is invertible
3. $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(B)$
4. $\text{Nullity}(A) = \text{Nullity}(B)$
5. $\det(A - \lambda I) = \det(B - \lambda I)$

7. If A is a $n \times n$ matrix similar to a diagonal matrix, D , s.t. $A = PDP^{-1}$, for some invertible matrix P , then $A^k = PD^kP^{-1}$.

8. Cayley-Hamilton Theorem:

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix with characteristic polynomial

$$P(\lambda) = |A - \lambda I| = a_n \lambda^n + a_{n-1} \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + a_0, \text{ then}$$

$$P(A) = a_n A^n + a_{n-1} A^{n-1} + \dots + a_0 I = \vec{0}$$

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Zero vector

9. If A is a $n \times n$ matrix with $\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^n + c_1 \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + c_{n-1} \lambda + c_n$, where $c_n \neq 0$, then A is invertible and $A^{-1} = \frac{-1}{c_n} [A^{n-1} + c_1 A^{n-2} + \dots + c_{n-1} I]$

Examples

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

a) Find the characteristic polynomial of A

$$P(\lambda) = |A - \lambda I|$$

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

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

$$= (2-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & -1 \\ 3 & -2-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$= (2-\lambda) [(2-\lambda)(-2-\lambda) + 3]$$

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

$$= (2-\lambda)(\lambda-1)(\lambda+1)$$

b) Find the eigenvalues of A

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

$$\lambda = -1, 1, 2$$

Because each value of λ occurs once, they all have an algebraic multiplicity of 1.

c) For each eigenvalue λ of A , find its eigenspace.

When $\lambda = -1$

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

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

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

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

The geometric multiplicity of the eigenspace of $\lambda = 1$ is 1, because there's 1 row of 0's.

geo = alge

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } x_3 &= s & / & \text{Sp} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ 3x_2 - x_3 &= 0 \\ 3x_2 &= x_3 \\ x_2 &= \frac{x_3}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$x_1 = 0$$

When $\lambda = 1$

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

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

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

Geo multi of eigenspace of $\lambda=1$ is 1.

Geo = alge

Let $x_3 = s$

$x_1 = 0$

$x_2 - x_3 = 0$

$x_2 = x_3$

$$\text{sp} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

When $\lambda = 2$

The resultant matrix is

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

Geo multi = alge multi = 1

Let $x_3 = s$

$x_1 = x_3$

$x_2 = x_3$

$$\text{sp} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

d) Find D and P such that $D = P A P^{-1}$

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

To find D , take the values of λ and form a diagonal matrix with them. The order doesn't matter.

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

To find P , take the eigenspaces of each λ and put them in the same col as you put the eigenvalues in D .

I.e. Say we got $\lambda = A, B, C$ and the eigenspace of A is \vec{x} , the eigenspace of B is \vec{y} and the eigenspace of C is \vec{z} .

$$\text{If } D = \begin{bmatrix} A & & 0 \\ & B & \\ 0 & & C \end{bmatrix}, \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ \vec{x} & \vec{y} & \vec{z} \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{If } D = \begin{bmatrix} B & & 0 \\ & C & \\ 0 & & A \end{bmatrix}, \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ \vec{y} & \vec{z} & \vec{x} \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

The order of the eigenspaces in P must correspond with the orders of its eigenvalue in D .