

Assignment 9

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Abstract—This document explains the concept of diagonalizability of a matrix.

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1 PROBLEM

Which of the following matrices is not diagonalizable over \mathbb{R} ?

- 1) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- 2) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$
- 3) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$
- 4) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

2 THEORY

A matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable if it is similar to a diagonal matrix i.e. if there exists an invertible matrix \mathbf{P} and a diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} such that

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{PDP}^{-1} \quad (2.0.1)$$

If the Eigen values of a matrix are distinct then the matrix is diagonalizable.

3 SOLUTION

Option 1:

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

Characteristic equation of \mathbf{A} is given by:

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 - \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (3.0.1)$$

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

The Eigen Values of \mathbf{A} are:

$$\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 1, \lambda_3 = 2 \quad (3.0.2)$$

Let $\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2$ and \mathbf{p}_3 be the Eigen vector corresponding to λ_1, λ_2 and λ_3 respectively

Eigen vector \mathbf{p} is given as:

$$\mathbf{Ap} = \lambda \mathbf{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\mathbf{p} = 0 \quad (3.0.3)$$

For $\lambda_1 = 1$

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda_1 \mathbf{I})\mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{p}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.0.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{p}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

For $\lambda_3 = 2$

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda_3 \mathbf{I})\mathbf{p}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{p}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.0.5)$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.0.6)$$

Here Using (3.0.6) in (2.0.1) we obtained that \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable.

Option 2:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Characteristic equation of \mathbf{A} is given by:

$$|A - \lambda \mathbf{I}| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 - \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (3.0.7)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda)(3 - \lambda) = 0$$

The Eigen Values of \mathbf{A} are:

$$\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 2, \lambda_3 = 3 \quad (3.0.8)$$

Since the Eigen values of the matrix are distinct
Hence the matrix is diagonalizable.

Option 3:

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

Characteristic equation of \mathbf{A} is given by:

$$|A - \lambda \mathbf{I}| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (3.0.9)$$

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

The Eigen Values of \mathbf{A} are:

$$\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 1, \lambda_3 = 2 \quad (3.0.10)$$

Let $\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2$ and \mathbf{p}_3 be the Eigen vector corresponding to λ_1, λ_2 and λ_3 respectively

Eigen vector \mathbf{p} is given as:

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{p} = \lambda\mathbf{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{p} = 0 \quad (3.0.11)$$

For $\lambda_1 = 1$

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda_1 \mathbf{I})\mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{p}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.0.12)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{p}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda_1 \mathbf{I})\mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_3 = 0 \quad (3.0.13)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{p}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.0.14)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Here Using (3.0.14) in (2.0.1) we obtained that \mathbf{A} is not diagonalizable.

Option 4:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Characteristic equation of \mathbf{A} is given by:

$$|A - \lambda \mathbf{I}| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 - \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (3.0.15)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda)(3 - \lambda) = 0$$

The Eigen Values of \mathbf{A} are:

$$\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 2, \lambda_3 = 3 \quad (3.0.16)$$

Since the Eigen values of the matrix are distinct
Hence the matrix is diagonalizable.