

- \Rightarrow solutions to $|\det(A - \lambda I)| = 0$ are the λ_i

eg. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 5-\lambda & -2 \\ -2 & 1-\lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \underbrace{(5-\lambda)(1-\lambda) - 4}_{\lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 1} = 0$$

$$\lambda_{\pm} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36-4}}{2}$$

2. WHAT ABOUT EIGENVECTORS?

HOW TO THINK ABOUT THESE

$$D \underline{e}_{(i)} = \lambda_i \underline{e}_{(i)}$$

\uparrow \nwarrow
 $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)$ eg $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{e}_{(1)}$

ROTATE
 \downarrow

$$\underbrace{R D R^T}_A \underbrace{R \underline{e}_{(i)}}_{\equiv \underline{\xi}_{(i)}} = \lambda_i \underbrace{R \underline{e}_{(i)}}_{\equiv \underline{\xi}_{(i)}}$$

SYMMETRIC

$$\begin{pmatrix} R^1_1 & R^1_2 & R^1_3 \\ R^2_1 & R^2_2 & R^2_3 \\ R^3_1 & R^3_2 & R^3_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R^1_1 \\ R^2_1 \\ R^3_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow \text{1st COLUMN of } R$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R^2_2 \\ R^2_2 \\ R^2_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow \text{2nd COLUMN of } R$$

so: $A \underline{\xi}_{(i)} = \lambda_i \underline{\xi}_{(i)}$

↑ the i^{th} COLUMN of R
is the i^{th} EIGENVECTOR.

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} | & | & | \\ \underline{\xi}_{(1)} & \underline{\xi}_{(2)} & \dots \\ | & | & | \end{pmatrix}$$

SUPPOSE WE HAVE the EIGENVALUES, λ_i
HOW to find the EIGENVECTORS?

$$(A - \lambda_i I) \underline{\xi}_{(i)} = 0$$

↑
 $N \times N$ MATRIX,
NO UNKNOWN

↑
 N component
vector, ALL UNKNOWN

⇒ N EQUATIONS for N UNKNOWN.

eg. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_{\pm} = 3 \pm \sqrt{8}$

$$(A - \lambda_i I) \begin{pmatrix} \xi^1 \\ \xi^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 - \sqrt{8} & -2 \\ -2 & -2 - \sqrt{8} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \xi^1 \\ \xi^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2 - \sqrt{8}) \xi^1 - 2 \xi^2 = 0 \rightarrow \xi^2 = \frac{1}{2} (2 - \sqrt{8}) \xi^1$$

$$-2 \xi^1 - (2 + \sqrt{8}) \xi^2 = 0 \rightarrow \xi^1 = -\frac{1}{2} (2 + \sqrt{8}) \xi^2$$

$$\xi^2 = -\frac{1}{4} (4 - 8) \xi^2 \Rightarrow \xi^2 = \xi^2$$

no new info from
2nd eqn!

is this weird? 2 eqns, 2 unknowns
... BUT THE EQNS ARE
REDUNDANT!

why? if $A \xi_{(i)} = \lambda_i \xi_{(i)}$
then $A \xi'_{(i)} = \lambda_i \xi'_{(i)}$ for $|\xi'_{(i)}| = a |\xi_{(i)}|$

free to RESCALE EIGENVECTORS

BUT, there is a "correct"
NORMALIZATION

$$\langle \xi_{(i)}, \xi_{(i)} \rangle = 1$$

↑ ORTHONORMAL BASIS

then the EIGENVECTORS
come together as a ROTATION MATRIX

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} | & | & | \\ \xi_{(1)} & \xi_{(2)} & \xi_{(3)} \dots \\ | & | & | \end{pmatrix}$$

so we can write

$$\xi = \sqrt{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}(2-\sqrt{3}) \end{pmatrix}}$$

$$\xi^2 = \sqrt{1^2 + \frac{1}{4}(2-\sqrt{3})^2} = 1$$

GIVES $\sqrt{\quad}$ to NORMALIZE

then REPEAT for 2nd EIGENVALUE

eg. 3x3, just the first few steps

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ -1 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 7 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} (2-\lambda) & -1 & 3 \\ -1 & (6-\lambda) & 7 \\ 3 & 7 & (5-\lambda) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (2-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 6-\lambda & 7 \\ 7 & 5-\lambda \end{vmatrix} - (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 3 & 5-\lambda \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 6-\lambda \\ 3 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (2-\lambda)((6-\lambda)(5-\lambda) - 49) + (-(-5-\lambda) - 21) + 3(-7 - 3(6-\lambda))$$

= some 3rd degree polynomial

3 roots are $\boxed{\lambda_i}$, eigenvalues

EIGENVECTORS:

$$(A - \lambda_i I) \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} f^1 \\ f^2 \\ f^3 \end{pmatrix}}_{f(i)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (2-\lambda_i)f^1 - f^2 + 3f^3 \\ -f^1 + (6-\lambda_i)f^2 + 7f^3 \\ 3f^1 + 7f^2 + (5-\lambda_i)f^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$f(i)$

3 eqns, 1 will be redundant

solve for $f^1, f^2, f^3 = 1$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{then NORMALIZE} \\ f(i)^2 = 1 \end{array}}$$

the REAL WAY: USE A COMPUTER, OR WORK UP THE EIGENVAL/VECS
(eg for function spaces)

IF YOU KNOW THE NORMALIZED EIGENVECTORS,
THEN YOU KNOW THE ROTATION BETWEEN STANDARD
BASIS & EIGENBASIS.

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\xi}_1 & \hat{\xi}_2 & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{SO GIVEN } \underline{v} = e_{(j)} v^i = e_{(j)} \underbrace{(R^T)^i{}_j}_{\hat{\xi}_{(j)}} \underbrace{R^j{}_k}_{{\tilde{v}}^j} v^k$$

 $\hat{\xi}_{(j)}$

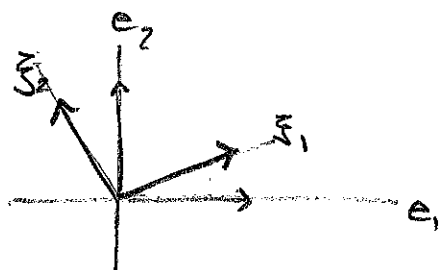
components of
 \underline{v} in eigenbasis

$$A \underline{v} = A (\tilde{v}^i \hat{\xi}_{(i)}) < 1$$

$$= \tilde{v}^i A \hat{\xi}_{(i)}$$

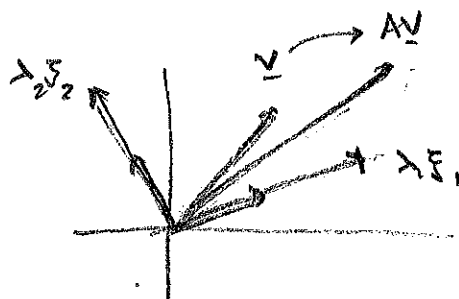
$$= \sum_i \tilde{v}^i \lambda_i \hat{\xi}_{(i)} \leftarrow \text{EASY.}$$

PICTURE



ACTION OF A :

RESCALES ALONG ξ_1 OR BY λ_1
RESCALES ALONG ξ_2 OR BY λ_2



SOME TRICKS

1. 2×2 USE \det & tr
2. Exponentiation

① $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{pmatrix}$

$$\det A = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 = ad - b^2$$

$$\text{tr } A = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = a + d$$

$$\lambda_1 (a + d - \lambda_1) = ad - b^2$$

quadratic eq for λ_1

$$\text{then } \lambda_2 = a + d - \lambda_1$$

② if YOU KNOW EIGENVALUES & EIGENVEC,

$$A = R D R^T$$

$$A^2 = R D R^T R D R^T = R D^2 R^T$$

$$A^N = R D^N R^T$$

$$\uparrow \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^N & & \\ & \lambda_2^N & \\ & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } B = A^2 &= R D^2 R^T \\ \text{then } \sqrt{B} &= A = R D R^T \end{aligned}$$

SQRT of MATRIX

$$\text{eg } e^A = 1 + A + \frac{1}{2} A^2 + \dots$$

$$= R \left(1 + D + \frac{1}{2} D^2 + \dots \right) R^T$$

$$= R \underbrace{e^D}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & & \\ & e^{\lambda_2} & \\ & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}}} R^T$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & & \\ & e^{\lambda_2} & \\ & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

POPULATION DYNAMICS EXAMPLE

$$\frac{df}{dt} = af \rightarrow \frac{df}{f} = a dt$$

$$\log f = at + c$$

$$f = ce^{at}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= ax + by \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= by + cx \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}}} V = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ V_0}} V$$

solution: $V(t) = e^{\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} t} V_0$

$$1 + \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} t + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix}^2 t + \dots$$

chk $\frac{dV(t)}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} V_0 \quad \checkmark$

now we know:

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} t} &= P e^{\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} t} P^T \\ &= P \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{pmatrix} P^T \end{aligned}$$

some lin comb of x & y scales like $e^{\lambda_1 t}$
others $e^{\lambda_2 t}$

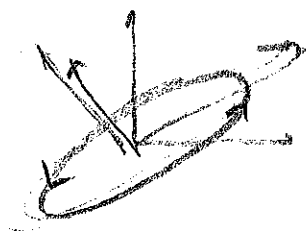
\hookrightarrow eg $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 \Rightarrow \lambda_1$ combo dominates over long times

more interesting behavior
 when we have a not-symmetric
 matrix \rightarrow EIGENVALUES MAY BE COMPLEX

exp growth/decay \rightarrow rotations

\uparrow
 EIGENVEC
 NOT
 ORTHOG

eg



eg Lotka-Volterra eqns

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = AR - BRW$$

\nwarrow RABBITS BREED \swarrow WOLVES EAT RABBITS, REDUCE RABBIT POP. \uparrow

$$\frac{dW}{dt} = -CW + DW$$

\nwarrow WOLVES COMPETE \swarrow WOLVES THAT EAT WELL BREED

WOLVES
 COMPETE

an. not linear \sim
 nevermind.