

LECTURE 15 RECAP

- 1) A real life example leading up to the problem of computing a high power of a square matrix.
- 2) Eigenvalue, eigenvector of a matrix.
- 3) How to find **ALL** eigenvalues of a matrix - characteristic polynomial and characteristic equation.
- 4) Eigenvalues of triangular matrices.
- 5) Eigenspace of a matrix.
- 6) Several examples on finding eigenvalues and the corresponding dimension of the eigenspaces.

LECTURE 16

Diagonalization

DEFINITION

Given a square matrix A , we wanted to know if it is possible to find an invertible matrix P such that

$$P^{-1}AP = D \text{ (a diagonal matrix)}$$

A square matrix A is called diagonalizable if there exists an invertible matrix P such that $P^{-1}AP$ is a diagonal matrix.

In here, matrix P is said to diagonalize A .

EXAMPLE

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.96 & 0.01 \\ 0.04 & 0.99 \end{pmatrix}$ So A is diagonalizable and P diagonalizes A .

Recall that 1 and 0.95 are the eigenvalues of A and

Let $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Then P is invertible (check) and

$$E_1 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P^{-1}AP &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0.96 & 0.01 \\ 0.04 & 0.99 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.95 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad E_{0.95} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

EXAMPLE

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

So \mathbf{B} is diagonalizable and \mathbf{P} diagonalizes \mathbf{B} .

Recall that 3 and 0 are the eigenvalues of \mathbf{B} and

$$\text{Let } \mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad E_3 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad E_0 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{Then } \mathbf{P} \text{ is invertible (check) and } \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

EXAMPLE

$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ So C is diagonalizable and P diagonalizes C .
 Recall that $1, \sqrt{2}$ and $-\sqrt{2}$ are the eigenvalues of C and

Let $P = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & \sqrt{2} & -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. $E_1 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ $E_{\sqrt{2}} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

Then P is invertible (check) and $P^{-1}CP = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$ $E_{-\sqrt{2}} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

What
about \mathbf{M} e?

EXAMPLE

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad E_2 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

We will now show that \mathbf{M} is not diagonalizable.

Suppose \mathbf{M} is diagonalizable. Then there exists an

invertible matrix $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 2a & = & \lambda a & (1) \\ 2b & = & \mu b \\ a + 2c & = & \lambda c & (2) \\ b + 2d & = & \mu d \end{cases}$$

If $a \neq 0$, then $(1) \Rightarrow \lambda = 2$

but now $(2) \Rightarrow a = 0$.

So $a = 0, \lambda = 2$.

Similarly, $b = 0, \mu = 2$.

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$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \text{ which is singular, a contradiction.}$$

So M is not diagonalizable.

Is there a more efficient way
of showing a matrix is not
diagonalizable?

THEOREM

Let A be a square matrix of order n . Then A is diagonalizable if and only if A has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

It is important to emphasize the n eigenvectors have to be linearly independent since

E_λ contains ALL the eigenvectors of A associated with λ .
that is, A already has infinitely eigenvectors associated with a particular eigenvalue λ .



AN ALGORITHM

Purpose: Given a square matrix A of order n , we want to determine whether A is diagonalizable.

If A is diagonalizable, find an invertible matrix P such that $P^{-1}AP$ is a diagonal matrix.

Step 1: Solve $\det(\lambda I - A) = 0$ to find all eigenvalues of A

$\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ (suppose A has k distinct eigenvalues, $k \leq n$)

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Step 3: Let $S = S_{\lambda_1} \cup S_{\lambda_2} \cup \dots \cup S_{\lambda_k}$ (the union of all bases)

(a) If $|S| < n$, then \mathbf{A} is not diagonalizable.

$|S|$ = number of
vectors in S

(b) If $|S| = n$, say $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$, then let

$\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{u}_n)$ to be the matrix that diagonalizes \mathbf{A} .

(c) If $|S| > n$, check your working!

SOME REMARKS

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$\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ (suppose \mathbf{A} has k distinct eigenvalues, $k \leq n$)

In general, when solving for the roots of

$$\det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = 0$$

it is possible that some λ_i is a complex number.

Complex vector spaces \mathbb{C}^n (instead of \mathbb{R}^n) needs to be introduced (but not in this course).

SOME REMARKS

Suppose $\det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$ is factorised as

$$\det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)^{r_1} (\lambda - \lambda_2)^{r_2} \dots (\lambda - \lambda_i)^{r_i} \dots (\lambda - \lambda_k)^{r_k}$$

Note that $r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_k = n$ (order of matrix \mathbf{A})

Step 2: For each λ_i find a basis S_{λ_i} for the eigenspace E_{λ_i} .

Then, for each eigenvalue λ_i , $\dim(E_{\lambda_i}) \leq r_i$

Furthermore, \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable if and only if for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$|S_{\lambda_i}| = \dim(E_{\lambda_i}) = r_i \iff |S| = |S_{\lambda_1} \cup \dots \cup S_{\lambda_k}| = r_1 + \dots + r_k = n$$

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$$P = (u_1 \quad u_2 \quad \cdots \quad u_n)$$

to be the (invertible) matrix that diagonalizes A .

How can you be sure that P formed this way will be invertible?



The set S is always linearly independent.

EXAMPLE

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$$E_1 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

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$$\text{Let } \mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.95 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E_3 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{Let } \mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E_0 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

What if

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

EXAMPLE

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{M}) = (\lambda - 2)^2$$

\mathbf{M} is a 2×2 matrix and has one eigenvalue 2.

$$E_2 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \dim(E_2) = 1 < 2$$

\mathbf{M} has only 1 linearly independent eigenvector and so it is not diagonalizable.

EXAMPLE

Is $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ diagonalizable? If so, find an invertible matrix P that diagonalizes A .

Answer: We know immediately that the eigenvalues of A are 1 and 2.

We need to check if we can find 3 linearly independent eigenvectors of A .

EXAMPLE

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$


Consider E_1 : Solving $(I - A)x = 0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & -5 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -5 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{So } E_1 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

and $\dim(E_1) = 1$.

$$\begin{cases} x = \frac{t}{8} \\ y = \frac{-t}{8} \\ z = t, \quad t \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$


$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{-1}{8} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{8} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

A has only two linearly independent eigenvectors

EXAMPLE

A is not diagonalizable

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$


Consider E_2 : Solving $(2I - A)x = 0$

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = (\lambda - 2)^2(\lambda - 1)$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -5 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{So } E_2 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{and } \dim(E_2) = 1.$$

$$\begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = 0 \\ z = t, \quad t \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$


$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

A SUFFICIENT CONDITION FOR DIAGONALIZABILITY

Let A be a square matrix of order n . If A has n distinct eigenvalues, then A is diagonalizable.

Proof: Suppose $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ are the eigenvalues of A .

Then $\det(\lambda I - A) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)^1 (\lambda - \lambda_2)^1 \dots (\lambda - \lambda_n)^1$.

Since $\dim(E_{\lambda_i}) \leq r_i = 1$ for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, (by earlier remark)

We must have $\dim(E_{\lambda_i}) = 1$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$.

A has n linearly independent eigenvectors and is thus diagonalizable.

Is it possible that
 $\dim(E_{\lambda_i}) = 0$ for some i ?

EXAMPLE

$$\text{Is } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ diagonalizable?}$$

Answer: Yes. Since A is a 3×3 matrix that has 3 distinct eigenvalues.

APPLICATION OF DIAGONALIZATION

Once a square matrix A can be diagonalized, we can compute A^n easily.

$$\begin{aligned} P^{-1}AP = D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \mathbf{0} \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ \mathbf{0} & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} & \Leftrightarrow A = PDP^{-1} \\ & \Leftrightarrow A^k = PD^kP^{-1} \\ & = P \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^k & & \mathbf{0} \\ & \lambda_2^k & \\ \mathbf{0} & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_n^k \end{pmatrix} P^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

APPLICATION OF DIAGONALIZATION

Suppose A is invertible, by Theorem 6.1.8, $\lambda_i \neq 0$ for all i . Then

$$A^{-1} = P \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^{-1} & & \mathbf{0} \\ & \lambda_2^{-1} & \\ & & \ddots \\ \mathbf{0} & & & \lambda_n^{-1} \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}$$

For all positive integers m ,

$$A^{-m} = P \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^{-m} & & \mathbf{0} \\ & \lambda_2^{-m} & \\ & & \ddots \\ \mathbf{0} & & & \lambda_n^{-m} \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}$$

EXAMPLE

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 0 & -6 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$. Compute A^{10} .

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\lambda I - A) &= \begin{vmatrix} \lambda + 4 & 0 & 6 \\ -2 & \lambda - 1 & -2 \\ -3 & 0 & \lambda - 5 \end{vmatrix} = (\lambda + 4) \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 1 & -2 \\ 0 & \lambda - 5 \end{vmatrix} + 6 \begin{vmatrix} -2 & \lambda - 1 \\ -3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (\lambda + 4)(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 5) + 18(\lambda - 1) \\ &= (\lambda - 1)[(\lambda^2 - \lambda - 20) + 18] \\ &= (\lambda - 1)(\lambda^2 - \lambda - 2) \\ &= (\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 1)(\lambda - 2) \end{aligned}$$

So the eigenvalues of A
are $-1, 1$ and 2 .

EXAMPLE

Using the method described previously, we find:

$$E_{-1} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad E_1 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad E_2 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

(verify it yourself!)

So if we let

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

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EXAMPLE

We will have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or equivalently } \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{P} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}^{-1} \\ &\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^{10} = \mathbf{P} \begin{pmatrix} (-1)^{10} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1^{10} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2^{10} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1024 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1022 & 0 & -2046 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1023 & 0 & 2047 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE (FIBONACCI NUMBERS)

Fibonacci numbers:

$$\text{For } n \geq 2, a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$$

$$a_0 = 0 \quad a_1 = 1 \quad a_2 = a_1 + a_0 = 1 \quad a_3 = a_2 + a_1 = 2 \quad \dots$$

That's easy
enough...what
is a_{256} ?



I need to find a_{254}
and a_{255} ..

I need to find a_{253}
and a_{254} ..

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$$\text{Let } \mathbf{x}_n = \begin{pmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} \text{ and so } \mathbf{x}_{n-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{n-1} \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

How do we
relate \mathbf{x}_n and \mathbf{x}_{n-1} ?

Can we express a_n in terms of a_{n-1} and a_n ?

$$a_n = 0a_{n-1} + 1a_n$$

Can we express a_{n+1} in terms of a_{n-1} and a_n ?

$$a_{n+1} = 1a_{n-1} + 1a_n$$

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$$\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$a_{n+1} = 1a_{n-1} + 1a_n$$

$$\mathbf{x}_n = A\mathbf{x}_{n-1} = A^2\mathbf{x}_{n-2} = A^3\mathbf{x}_{n-3} = \dots = A^n\mathbf{x}_0$$

EXAMPLE (FIBONACCI NUMBERS)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_n = A^n \mathbf{x}_0 \quad \text{Let's see if we can diagonalize } A.$$

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ -1 & \lambda - 1 \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - \lambda - 1$$

Remember $\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

$$= \left(\lambda - \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)\right) \left(\lambda - \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)\right)$$

So A has two eigenvalues: $\lambda_1 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$ and $\lambda_2 = \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$.

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Proceeding as before, we find that

$$E_{\lambda_1} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad E_{\lambda_2} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

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EXAMPLE (FIBONACCI NUMBERS)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{A}^n \mathbf{x}_0 \quad \text{Let's see if we can diagonalize } \mathbf{A}.$$

$$\text{Let } \mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} & \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ and we have}$$

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{P} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}^{-1}$$

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EXAMPLE (FIBONACCI NUMBERS)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_n = A^n \mathbf{x}_0$$

Now you can compute a_{256} !

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{x}_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} & \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n & 0 \\ 0 & \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} & \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^{n+1} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^{n+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

FIBONACCI NUMBERS REVISITED

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_n = A^n \mathbf{x}_0$$

By an earlier theorem,
we know that A can
definitely be diagonalized.

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ -1 & \lambda - 1 \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - \lambda - 1$$

$$= \left(\lambda - \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)\right) \left(\lambda - \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)\right)$$

We will now solve for a_n
without explicitly finding
the invertible matrix P .

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$$\text{Let } \mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^n & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2^n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{x}_n = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n & 0 \\ 0 & \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n & b\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \\ c\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n & d\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f \\ h \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n + B\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \\ C\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n + D\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \end{pmatrix} \quad A, B, C, D \in \mathbb{R}$$

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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_n = A^n \mathbf{x}_0$$

$a_0 = 0 \quad a_1 = 1$
(Initial conditions)

$$a_n = A\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n + B\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \quad a_0 = A\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^0 + B\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^0 = A + B = 0$$

$$a_1 = A\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^1 + B\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^1 = A\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) + B\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) = 1$$

Solving $\begin{cases} A + B = 0 \\ \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)A + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)B = 1 \end{cases}$ we have

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \text{ and } B = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}},$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n$$

END OF LECTURE 16

Lecture 17:
Inner Products in \mathbb{R}^n
Orthogonal and Orthonormal
Bases (till Example 5.2.9)