
homework sheet 01

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1 Assignment

For the calculation of eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the given matrix A

$$Ax = \lambda x \quad (1)$$

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \quad (3)$$

was used with x and λ being the eigenvectors and the eigenvalues of A, respectively. First the eigenvalues λ were calculated.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\det\left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} - \lambda I\right) = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2-\lambda & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$(2-\lambda) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & -1 \\ -1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} - (-1) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$(2-\lambda) \cdot ((2-\lambda)^2 - 1) + (-1) \cdot (2-\lambda) - 0 \cdot (-1) = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$(2-\lambda) \cdot ((2-\lambda)^2 - 1) + (-1) \cdot (2-\lambda) = 0 \quad (9)$$

By division through $(2-\lambda)$ the first λ can be derived as $\lambda_1 = 2$.

$$((2-\lambda)^2 - 1) + (-1) = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$(2-\lambda)^2 - 2 = 0 \quad (11)$$

$$\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4 - 2 = 0 \quad (12)$$

$$\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 2 = 0 \quad (13)$$

$$\lambda_{2,3} = 2 \pm \sqrt{2} \quad (14)$$

The eigenvectors of the corresponding eigenvalues can now be derived by using $(A - \lambda I)e = 0$.

For $\lambda_1 = 2$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot x = 0 \quad (15)$$

resolves to the following system of linear equations:

$$-x_2 = 0 \quad (16)$$

$$-x_1 - x_3 = 0 \quad (17)$$

$$-x_2 = 0 \quad (18)$$

This system can be solved to

$$x_2 = 0 \quad (19)$$

$$x_1 = -x_3 \quad (20)$$

and leads to the eigenvectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \\ -x_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (21)$$

Choosing $x_1 = 1$ results in

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (22)$$

as an eigenvector of A to the eigenvalue $\lambda_1 = 2$.

For $\lambda_2 = 2 - \sqrt{2}$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & \sqrt{2} & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \cdot x = 0 \quad (23)$$

resolves to the following system of linear equations:

$$\sqrt{2}x_1 - x_2 = 0 \quad (24)$$

$$-x_1 + \sqrt{2}x_2 - x_3 = 0 \quad (25)$$

$$-x_2 + \sqrt{2}x_3 = 0 \quad (26)$$

This results in

$$x_1 = x_3 \quad (27)$$

$$x_2 = \frac{2x_1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (28)$$

and leads to the eigenvectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \sqrt{2}x_1 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (29)$$

Choosing $x_1 = 1$ results in

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (30)$$

as an eigenvector of A to the eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 2 - \sqrt{2}$.

For $\lambda_3 = 2 + \sqrt{2}$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{2} & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -\sqrt{2} & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \cdot x = 0 \quad (31)$$

resolves to the following system of linear equations:

$$-\sqrt{2}x_1 - x_2 = 0 \quad (32)$$

$$-x_1 - \sqrt{2}x_2 - x_3 = 0 \quad (33)$$

$$-x_2 - \sqrt{2}x_3 = 0 \quad (34)$$

This results in

$$x_1 = x_3 \quad (35)$$

$$x_2 = \frac{2x_1}{-\sqrt{2}} \quad (36)$$

and leads to the eigenvectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ -\sqrt{2}x_1 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (37)$$

Choosing $x_1 = 1$ results in

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (38)$$

as an eigenvector of A to the eigenvalue $\lambda_3 = 2 + \sqrt{2}$.

The python code, solving the same problem:

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import numpy as np
from numpy import linalg

A = np.array([(2, -1, 0), (-1, 2, -1), (0, -1, 2)])

w, v = linalg.eig(A)

print("The eigenvalues are:")
print w
print("and the eigenvectors are:")
print v
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2 Assignment

Let $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a matrix with n linearly independent eigenvectors x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n . U is a matrix having these eigenvectors as columns and D is a diagonal matrix with the corresponding eigenvalues λ_i in the diagonal.

To show:

$$B = UDU^{-1} \quad (39)$$

Using the rules of matrix multiplication the following transformations can be performed:

$$B = UDU^{-1} \quad (40)$$

$$BU = UDU^{-1}U \quad (41)$$

$$BU = UD \quad (42)$$

Let $j \in 1, 2, \dots, n$.

The multiplication of B with U correlates with the multiplication of B with each column of U . The n resulting values written as matrix come up with the result of BU . In formulas:

$$BU = (BU_{.j})_{j=1, \dots, n} = (Bx_j)_{j=1, \dots, n} \quad (43)$$

Multiplying U and D results in a matrix where column j corresponds to the product of the eigenvector e_j i.e. column j of U and the eigenvalue λ_j . In formulas:

$$(UD_{.j})_{j=1, \dots, n} = (U_{.j}\lambda_j)_{j=1, \dots, n} = (x_j\lambda_j)_{j=1, \dots, n} \quad (44)$$

With 43 and 44 we can say:

$$BU = UD \quad (45)$$

$$Bx_j = \lambda_j x_j \quad \forall j \in 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (46)$$

which comes up with the definition of eigenvalues and eigenvectors (see 1).

3 Assignment

(1):

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^n \times n$ be real and symmetric. Next assume

$$\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \quad (47)$$

being an eigenvalue and x its corresponding eigenvector with

$$x \in \mathbb{C} \quad (48)$$

The eigenvalue and eigenvector is defined as

$$Ax = \lambda x \quad (49)$$

and from 47 and 48 follows, that also

$$Ax \in \mathbb{C} \quad (50)$$

$$\lambda x \in \mathbb{C} \quad (51)$$

Let further \bar{x} and $\bar{\lambda}$ be the complex conjugates of x and λ respectively. Because of

$$(a - bi)(c - di) = \quad (52)$$

$$ac - adi - bci + bdi^2 = \quad (53)$$

$$ac - bd - (bc + ad)i = \quad (54)$$

$$ac - bd + \overline{(bc + ad)}i = \quad (55)$$

$$ac + bci + \overline{adi} + bdi^2 = \quad (56)$$

$$(a + bi)\overline{(c + di)} \quad (57)$$

the following equation is also true

$$A\bar{x} = \bar{\lambda}\bar{x} \quad (58)$$

A left-sided multiplication of 58 and 49 with the transposed vector x or its conjugate is valid. So the following can be written:

$$x^T Ax = x^T \lambda x \quad (59)$$

$$x^T A\bar{x} = x^T \bar{\lambda}\bar{x} \quad (60)$$

By subtracting 60 from 59, the following equation can be stated:

$$x^T Ax - x^T A\bar{x} = x^T \lambda x - x^T \bar{\lambda}\bar{x} = (\lambda - \bar{\lambda})x^T x \quad (61)$$

As the left side of the equation equals zero, due to the symmetry property of A , also the right side has to equal zero. As $x^T x$ cannot be zero, due to x and x^T not being the nullvector, $\lambda - \bar{\lambda}$ has to be zero:

$$\lambda - \bar{\lambda} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \bar{\lambda} \Rightarrow \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \quad (62)$$

(2):

Assume $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$ The definition of eigenvalues and eigenvectors is

$$Ax_i = x_i \lambda_i \quad (63)$$

$$Ax_j = x_j \lambda_j \quad (64)$$

By left side multiplication with x_j and x_i one gets

$$x_j Ax_i = x_j x_i \lambda_i \quad (65)$$

$$x_i Ax_j = x_i x_j \lambda_j \quad (66)$$

Subtracting the equations leads to

$$x_j Ax_i - x_i Ax_j = x_j x_i \lambda_i - x_i x_j \lambda_j \quad (67)$$

Because of the symmetry of A , the left side of the equation solves to zero.

$$0 = x_j x_i \lambda_i - x_i x_j \lambda_j = (\lambda_i - \lambda_j)(x_i x_j) \quad (68)$$

As $\lambda_i - \lambda_j$ cannot be zero, due to the first assumption ($\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$), the right part of the term ($x_i x_j$) has to be zero. By definition, this means, that x_i and x_j are orthogonal.

4 Assignment

$B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a real symmetric matrix with distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_n$.

To show:

$$(1) \quad |B| = \prod_i \lambda_i \quad (69)$$

$$(2) \quad \text{tr}(B) = \sum_i \lambda_i \quad (70)$$

(1):

Since B is a real symmetric matrix with distinct eigenvalues, its eigenvectors are orthogonal (see Assignment 3). Therefore, the eigenvectors are linearly independent, which means that it is possible to diagonalize the B .

In addition, we know that the determinant of a diagonal matrix is the same as the multiplication of all values on the diagonal.

Let U and D be matrices as defined in Assignment 2.

$$B = UDU^{-1} \quad (71)$$

$$|B| = |UDU^{-1}| \quad (72)$$

$$|B| = |U||D||U^{-1}| \quad (73)$$

$$|B| = |U||D||U|^{-1} \quad (74)$$

$$|B| = \frac{|U|}{|U|} |D| \quad (75)$$

$$|B| = |D| \quad (76)$$

$$|B| = \prod_i \lambda_i \quad (77)$$

(2):

We use the same facts described in (1):

$$B = UDU^{-1} \quad (78)$$

$$\text{tr}(B) = \text{tr}(UDU^{-1}) \quad (79)$$

$$\text{tr}(B) = \text{tr}(U^{-1}UD) \quad (80)$$

$$\text{tr}(B) = \text{tr}(D) \quad (81)$$

$$\text{tr}(B) = \sum_i \lambda_i \quad (82)$$

5 Assignment

A hyperplane or affine set $H \in \mathbb{R}^n$ defined by the equation $h(x) \equiv w_0 + w^T x = 0$.

To show:

1. for any point $x_0 \in H$, $w^T x_0 = -w_0$.
2. if x_1 and x_2 lie in H , then $w^T(x_1 - x_2) = 0$.
3. $\hat{w} = w/||w||$ is the vector normal to the surface of H .
4. if $x_0 \in H$, then the signed distance of any point x to H is given by $\hat{w}^T(x - x_0) = (w^T x + w_0)/||w||$

(1):

$$h(x_0) \equiv w_0 + w^T x_0 = 0 \quad (83)$$

$$w^T x_0 = -w_0 \quad (84)$$

(2):

$$h(x_1) \equiv w_0 + w^T x_1 = 0 \quad (85)$$

$$h(x_2) \equiv w_0 + w^T x_2 = 0 \quad (86)$$

With 85 - 86:

$$w_0 + w^T x_1 - w_0 - w^T x_2 = 0 \quad (87)$$

$$w^T (x_1 - x_2) = 0 \quad (88)$$

(3):

Let $v \in H$. The scalar product of v and \hat{w} has to be zero since all vectors in H have to be orthonogonal to \hat{w} . Let $x_1, x_2 \in H$ and represent v as a linear combination of x_1 and x_2 so that $v = x_1 - x_2$.

$$\langle \hat{w}, v \rangle = \hat{w}^T v = \hat{w}^T (x_1 - x_2) = 0 \quad (89)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{w^T}{\|w\|} (x_1 - x_2) = 0 \quad (90)$$

We know that it is equal to zero due to the knowledge of (2).

(4):

Computing the distance d of a point x to H can be computed using the projection so that $d = \frac{\langle \hat{w}, (x - x_0) \rangle}{\|\hat{w}\|}$. Since \hat{w} is already normalized to a length of 1, the equation can be transformed to $\hat{w}^T (x - x_0)$.

$$\hat{w}^T (x - x_0) = \frac{w^T x + w_0}{\|w\|} \quad (91)$$

$$\frac{w^T}{\|w\|} (x - x_0) = \frac{w^T x + w_0}{\|w\|} \quad (92)$$

$$w^T (x - x_0) = w^T x + w_0 \quad (93)$$

$$(94)$$

with $-w_0 = w^T x_0$:

$$w^T (x - x_0) = w^T x - w^T x_0 \quad (95)$$

$$w^T (x - x_0) = w^T (x - x_0) \quad (96)$$