

Week 5 Homework

Math 510

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1.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = ad - bc$$

$$\det(A) = 3 * 2 - (-1) * 4 = 6 + 4 = 10$$

The determinant of the matrix A is 10.

2.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 3 * 2 - 0 * 0 = 6$$

The determinant of the matrix A is 6.

3.

The determinant of the matrix A is 0:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 * 2 - 2 * 2 = 4 - 4 = 0$$

$A\vec{e}_1$ and $A\vec{e}_2$ is non-zero:

$$\vec{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 * 0 + 2 * 1 \\ 2 * 0 + 2 * 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 * 1 + 2 * 1 \\ 2 * 1 + 2 * 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

\vec{v} gets send to zero by A:

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 * -2 + 2 * 2 \\ 2 * -2 + 2 * 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 + 4 \\ -4 + 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

4.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A - \lambda I_n = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 - \lambda & 2 - 0 \\ 1 - 0 & 3 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = (4 - \lambda)(3 - \lambda) - 2$$

$$= 12 - 3\lambda - 4\lambda + \lambda^2 - 2 = \lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 10 = 0$$

$$= (\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 5) = 0$$

So $\lambda = 2, 5$

$$\text{For } \lambda = 2, \quad A - \lambda I_n = \begin{bmatrix} 4 - 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 - 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Doing the matrix muliplication you get the system of linear equations:

$$2x + y = 0$$

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$x=1$ and $y=-2$ is a possible solution.

So $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector for the eigenvalue $\lambda = 2$.

$$\text{For } \lambda = 5, \quad A - \lambda I_n = \begin{bmatrix} 4 - 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 - 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Doing the matrix muliplication you get the system of linear equations:

$$-x + y = 0$$

$$2x - 2y = 0$$

$x=1$ and $y=1$ is a possible solution.

So $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector for the eigenvalue $\lambda = 5$.

Mapping eigenvectors with matrix A :

$$A\vec{e}_1 = \lambda\vec{e}_1 = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{e}_2 = \lambda\vec{e}_2 = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Through transformation by A , eigenvectors experience only changes in magnitude or sign, the orientation is the same as that of the original vector. The eigenvalue λ is the amount of “stretch” or “shrink” to which the eigenvector is subjected when transformed by A .

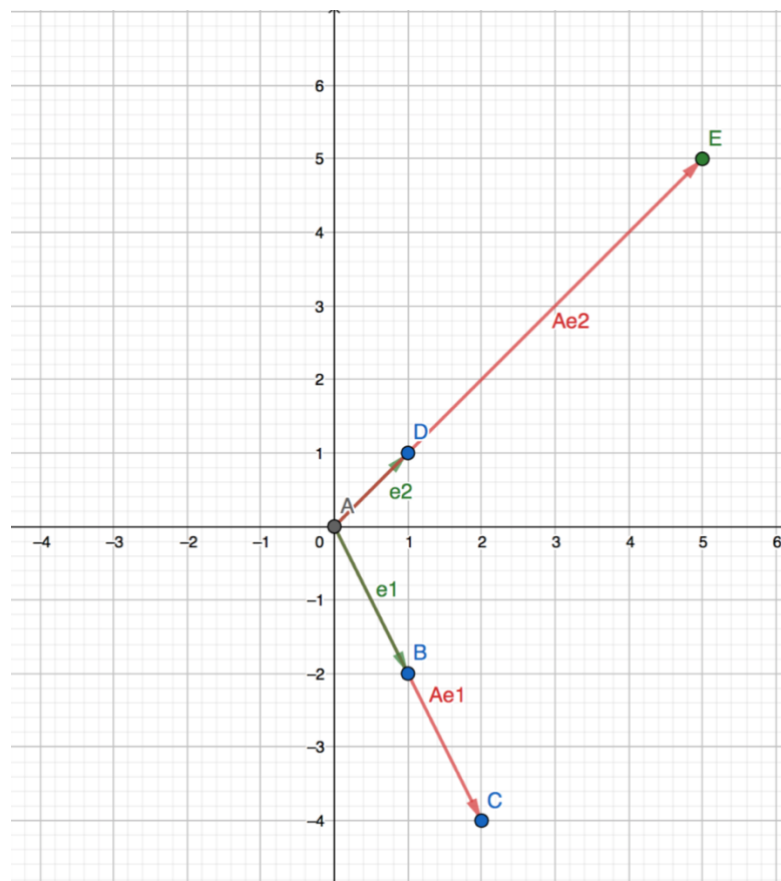


Fig. 1 Graph of the eigenvectors \vec{e}_1 and \vec{e}_2 (green) and mapping of \vec{e}_1 and \vec{e}_2 with A (red).

5.

$$\vec{e_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 3$$

$$\vec{e_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 6$$

If $\vec{e_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of A corresponding to eigenvalue $\lambda=3$, then $\vec{e_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of A as well because $\vec{e_2}$ is a multiple of $\vec{e_1}$.

$\vec{e_2}$ is an eigenvector of A corresponding to the eigenvalue $\lambda=6$, if and only if $\vec{e_2}$ and λ satisfy $(A-\lambda I_n) \vec{e_2} = 0$.