

Diagonalization

- Eigenvalue and eigenvector review

- Eigenvalues

- $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ gave an n^{th} order polynomial with up to n solutions

- Multiplicity of an eigenvalue λ is the number of times that λ appears as a root of the characteristic polynomial

- Eigenvectors

- $(A - \lambda I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$ and solve for the basic solutions / basic eigenvectors

- Ex: find the eigenvalue(s) and eigenvector(s) of:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & -\lambda & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow (2-\lambda)[(-\lambda)(3-\lambda)+2] = (2-\lambda)[\lambda^2-3\lambda+2] = (2-\lambda)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-1) = -(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)^2$$

$$\hookrightarrow \lambda = 1, 2 \quad \leftarrow \text{multiplicity of } 2!$$

$$\hookrightarrow \lambda = 1$$

$$(A - \lambda I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2-1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3-1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & : & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & : & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & : & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{x-1 \rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & : & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & : & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & : & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{+f_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & : & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & : & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & : & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-2R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & : & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & : & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & : & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \times -1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & : & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & : & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & : & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\hookrightarrow \begin{cases} x - 2z = 0 \\ y + 2z = 0 \\ z \text{ is free, pick } 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 2z = 2(1) = 2 \\ y = -2z = -2(1) = -2 \\ z = 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{v}_1$$

$$\hookrightarrow \lambda = 2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-2R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{+2R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y + z = 0 \Rightarrow z = -y \\ x \text{ is free} \\ z \text{ is free} \end{cases}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Pick } x=1, z=0 \quad / \quad \text{Pick } x=0, z=1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

* An $n \times n$ matrix A is diagonalizable if $P^{-1}AP$ is diagonal for some invertible $n \times n$ matrix P (diagonalizing matrix)

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

$$PP^{-1}AP = PD$$

$$AP = PD$$

$$A[\vec{x}_1 \ \vec{x}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{x}_n] = [\vec{x}_1 \ \vec{x}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{x}_n] \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & d_2 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{x}_1 = d_1\vec{x}_1 \quad (A - d_1I)\vec{x}_1 = \vec{0}$$

$$A\vec{x}_2 = d_2\vec{x}_2 \quad (A - d_2I)\vec{x}_2 = \vec{0}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$A\vec{x}_n = d_n\vec{x}_n \quad (A - d_nI)\vec{x}_n = \vec{0}$$

* P is the matrix of all eigenvectors

* D is the matrix of all eigenvalues along the diagonal

* Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix where

- A is diagonalizable iff it has eigenvectors $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_n$ such that

$P = [\vec{x}_1 \ \vec{x}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{x}_n]$ is invertible

- When this is the case, $P^{-1}AP = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$,

where λ_k corresponds to \vec{x}_k for $1 \leq k \leq n$

- Ex: $P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ (see previous example)

$$\therefore P^{-1}AP = D \Rightarrow \text{Check } AP = PD$$

$$AP = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad PD = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

column-scaled version of P

* A square matrix is diagonalizable iff every eigenvalue of multiplicity m yields m basic eigenvectors / has m -dimensional solution / has m basis vectors / has geometric multiplicity of 2)

- AKA The algebraic and geometric multiplicities are the same for each individual eigenvalue

Ex: Determine if A is diagonalizable. If so, find P and D .

① $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\lambda = 1$ with $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\lambda = 2$ with $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Yes, it is diagonalizable

$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

② $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\lambda = 2$ with $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

No, it is not diagonalizable

P would be $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ or $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, but not invertible

③ $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 39 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ $\lambda = 4$ with $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 39 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\lambda = 3$ with $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Yes, it is diagonalizable

$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 39 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $D = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ OR $P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 39 \end{bmatrix}$ and $D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$