

Plan: Repeated eigenvalues of defect ≥ 1 .

Last time: Given system $\underline{\underline{x}}' = \underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{x}}$, λ eigenvalue of defect 1

Find a $\underline{\underline{v}}_2 \neq \underline{\underline{0}}$ so that

$$(\underline{\underline{A}} - \lambda \underline{\underline{I}})^2 \underline{\underline{v}}_2 = \underline{\underline{0}} \quad \text{generalized eigenvector}$$

and $(\underline{\underline{A}} - \lambda \underline{\underline{I}}) \underline{\underline{v}}_2 = \underline{\underline{v}}_1 \neq \underline{\underline{0}} \quad (\underline{\underline{A}} - \lambda \underline{\underline{I}}) \underline{\underline{v}}_1 = (\underline{\underline{A}} - \lambda \underline{\underline{I}})^2 \underline{\underline{v}}_2 = \underline{\underline{0}}$

Then: $\underline{\underline{v}}_1 e^{\lambda t}$, $(\underline{\underline{v}}_1 t + \underline{\underline{v}}_2) e^{\lambda t}$ are a pair of linearly independent solutions for the system.

Ex:

$$\underline{\underline{x}}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \underline{\underline{x}} \quad \lambda = 5 \text{ is a repeated eigenvalue of defect 1.}$$

$$(\underline{\underline{A}} - 5 \underline{\underline{I}}) = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, (\underline{\underline{A}} - 5 \underline{\underline{I}})^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \underline{\underline{0}} \quad (\underline{\underline{A}} - \lambda \underline{\underline{I}})$$

Solve: $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

e.g. take $v_1 = v_2 = 1$ (for example)

then $\underline{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\underline{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$

Sols: $x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} e^{st}$

$x_2 = \left(\begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) e^{st}$ are

a pair of lin. indep. sols: gen. soln

$$x = c_1 x_1(t) + c_2 x_2(t)$$

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Higher defect e-values

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

$$\underline{x}' = \underline{A} \underline{x}$$

$$\det(\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I}) = (2-\lambda)^4$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2$ e-value of \underline{c}_1 .
multiplicity

Find eigenvectors:

$$(A - 2I) \underline{v} = \underline{0} \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow u_2 = 0, u_3 = 0$$

So:

$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ u_4 \end{bmatrix}$, u_1, u_4 free to be chosen, are eigenvectors.

for example: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ pair of lin. indep. eigenvectors

Any eigenvector is of form

$u_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + u_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, so can't find 3rd lin. indep. e-vector.

Defect of $\lambda = 2$: $4 - 2 = 2$

Terminology:

Generalized e-vector of rank r , assoc. to

e-value λ : a non-zero \underline{v} so that

$$(A - \lambda I)^r \underline{v} = \underline{0}, (A - \lambda I)^{r-1} \underline{v} \neq \underline{0}$$

Ex: $r = 1$ eigenvector.

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ in 1st example: gen. e-vector
of rank 2.

We'll use chains of generalized e-vectors to build sol's.

Defn: A length k chain of generalized e-vectors based on eigen-vector \underline{v}_1 is set of $\{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_k\}$

$$(A - \lambda I) \underline{v}_k = \underline{v}_{k-1}$$

\underline{v}_k is rank
 k gen.
e-vector.

$$(A - \lambda I) \underline{v}_3 = \underline{v}_2$$

If known
we can find
the chain.

$$(A - \lambda I) \underline{v}_2 = \underline{v}_1$$

In 1st example: Chain of length 2

$$\underline{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A - \lambda I) \underline{v}_2 = \underline{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

homogeneous eigenvector.

To build sols to $\underline{x}' = \underline{A} \underline{x}$ if given a chain of gen. eigenvectors:

$$x_1 = e^{\lambda t} v_1$$

$$x_2 = e^{\lambda t} (v_1 t + v_2)$$

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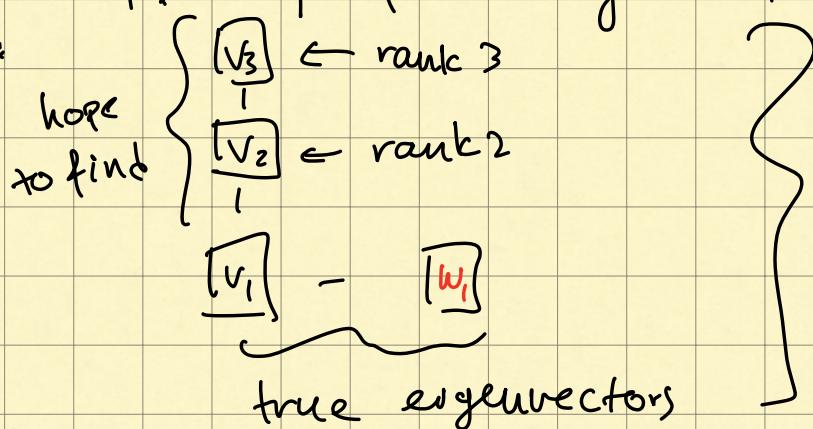
$$x_k = e^{\lambda t} \left(v_1 \frac{t^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} + v_2 \frac{t^{k-2}}{(k-2)!} + \dots + v_k \right)$$

are lin. indep. sols of $\underline{x}' = \underline{A} \underline{x}$

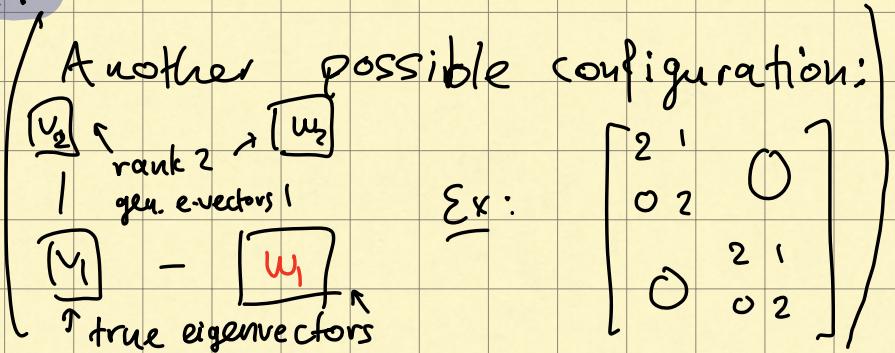
Go back to example:

Multiplicity 4: found 2 eigenvectors.

Schematically:



if possible.



Goal: Find \underline{v}_3 : gen. e-vector of rank 3

defect + 1

If \underline{v}_3 is a gen. e-vector of rank 3 then:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (A - \lambda I)^3 \underline{v}_3 = \underline{0} \\ (A - \lambda I)^2 \underline{v}_3 \neq \underline{0} \\ (A - \lambda I) \underline{v}_3 \neq \underline{0} \end{array} \right.$$

Want:

$$(A - 2I)^3 \underline{v}_3 = \underline{0}$$

$$(A - 2I)^2 \underline{v}_3 \neq \underline{0}.$$

Check:

$$(A - 2I)^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A - 2I)^3 = \underline{0}$$

Want: $\underline{v}_3 : (A - 2I)^3 \underline{v}_3 = \underline{0}$

$$(A - 2I)^2 \underline{v}_3 \neq \underline{0}$$

Ex: $\underline{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = (A - 2I) \underline{v}_3$

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

$$v_1 = (A - 2I) v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

recap / finish on Friday.

on
eigenvector.