

EIGENVALUES

$$\text{Let } \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & a_{3n} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AX=Y \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

Where A is the matrix, X is the column vector and Y is also column vector.

Here column vector X is transformed into the column vector Y by means of the square matrix A .

Let X be a such vector which transforms into λX by means of the transformation (1). Suppose the linear transformation $Y = AX$ transforms X into a scalar multiple of itself i.e. λX .

$$AX = Y = \lambda X$$

$$AX - \lambda IX = 0$$

$$(A - \lambda I)X = 0$$

Ex. Find the eigenvalues of the following matrices

(i) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

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1. Characteristic Polynomial
2. Characteristic Equation
3. Characteristic Roots or Eigenvalues

(ii) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

(iii) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(iv) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

(v) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

(vi) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

(vii) $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$

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Note1: Direct Characteristic equation for matrix A

Order 2: $\lambda^2 - \text{trac}(A)\lambda + \det(A) = 0$

Order 3:

$$\lambda^3 - \text{trac}(A)\lambda^2 + (\text{Minor}(a_{11}) + \text{Minor}(a_{22}) + \text{Minor}(a_{33}))\lambda - \det(A) = 0$$

Note2: The eigenvalue of

(a) a **symmetric/Hermitian** matrix are **real**

(b) a **skew-symmetric/skew-Hermitian** matrix are **zero** or pure imaginary

(c) an orthogonal matrix are of magnitude 1 and are real or complex conjugate pairs

(d) an unitary matrix are of magnitude 1

Some Important Properties of Eigenvalues

(1) Any square matrix A and its transpose A' have the same eigenvalues.

✓(2) The sum of the eigenvalues of a matrix is equal to the trace of the matrix.

(3) The product of the eigenvalues of a matrix A is equal to the determinant of A .

(4) If $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ are the eigen values of A , then the eigen values of

(i) kA are $k\lambda_1, k\lambda_2, \dots, k\lambda_n$.

(ii) A^m are $\lambda_1^m, \lambda_2^m, \dots, \lambda_n^m$.

(iii) A^{-1} are $\frac{1}{\lambda_1}, \frac{1}{\lambda_2}, \dots, \frac{1}{\lambda_n}$.

(5) $(A - kI)^{-1}$ has the eigenvalue $\frac{1}{\lambda - k}$.

(6) $(A - kI)$ has the eigenvalue $\lambda - k$.

(7) For a real matrix A , if $\alpha + i\beta$ is an eigenvalue, then its conjugate $\alpha - i\beta$ is also an eigenvalue. When the matrix A is complex, this property does not hold.

Theorem: (Cayley-Hamilton Theorem)

Every square matrix A satisfies its own characteristic equation

Ex. Verify Cayley-Hamilton theorem for the following matrices. Also find the inverse of the matrix.

(i) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

(ii) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$(iii) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

CHARACTERISTIC VECTORS OR EIGEN VECTORS

A column vector X is transformed into column vector Y by means of a square matrix A .

Now we want to multiply the column vector X by a scalar quantity λ so that we can find the same transformed column vector Y . i.e., $AX = \lambda X$
 X is known as eigenvector.

Show that the vector $(1, 1, 2)$ is an eigen vector of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ corresponding to the eigen value } 2.$$

Note: Corresponding to each characteristic root λ , we have a corresponding non-zero vector X which satisfies the equation $[A - \lambda I] X = 0$. The non-zero vector X is called **characteristic vector or Eigen vector**.

Ex. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the following matrices

(i) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(ii) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$(iii) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(iv) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(v) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(vi) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(vii) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(viii) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(ix) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

PROPERTIES OF EIGEN VECTORS:

1. The eigenvector X of a matrix A is not unique.
2. If $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ be distinct eigenvalues of an $n \times n$ matrix then corresponding eigenvectors X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n form a **linearly independent** set.
3. If two or more eigenvalues are equal it may or may not be possible to get linearly independent eigenvectors corresponding to the equal roots.
4. Two eigenvectors X_1 and X_2 are called **orthogonal** vectors if $X_1' X_2 = 0$.
5. Eigen vectors of a **symmetric matrix** corresponding to different eigenvalues are **orthogonal**.

