

Exercises

Let $A = [a_1, a_2, a_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ be a given matrix.

- (1) Find the inverse of A , if it exists.
- (2) Find determinant of A .
- (3) Write the characteristic polynomial and compute all eigenvalues.
- (4) Find an orthogonal basis for each eigenspace.
- (5) Diagonalize A in terms of $A = PDP^{-1}$.
- (6) Find A^{10} .
- (7) Find a point y in $\text{span}\{a_2, a_3\}$ having the closest distance to a_1 . What is the distance?

Soln 7

(a) check orthogonality

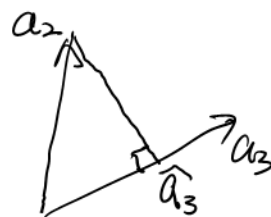
$$a_2 \cdot a_3 = 1 \neq 0$$

a_2 is not orthogonal to a_3

So we shall find orthogonal basis for $\text{span}(a_2, a_3)$.

(b) Find $\hat{a}_3 = P_{a_3}(a_2) = \text{Proj of } a_2 \text{ on } a_3$,

$$\hat{a}_3 = \left(\frac{a_3 \cdot a_2}{a_3 \cdot a_3} \right) a_3 = \frac{1}{1} a_3 = a_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



(c) Find $\hat{a}_2 = a_2 - \hat{a}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(d) Now $\{\hat{a}_2, \hat{a}_3\}$ is orthogonal basis, so use proj form,

$$\begin{aligned} y = P_{\{\hat{a}_2, \hat{a}_3\}}(a_1) &= \left(\frac{\hat{a}_2 \cdot a_1}{\hat{a}_2 \cdot \hat{a}_2} \right) \hat{a}_2 + \left(\frac{\hat{a}_3 \cdot a_1}{\hat{a}_3 \cdot \hat{a}_3} \right) \hat{a}_3 \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 \\ -0.4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow \text{ans.} \end{aligned}$$

$$(e) \|a_1 - y\| = \sqrt{0.8^2 + 0.4^2 + 0^2} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \quad \leftarrow \text{ans.}$$