

## Jordan Decomposition

The goal of a Jordan decomposition is to diagonalize a given square matrix. If there is an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix  $C$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $A = CDC^{-1}$ , then an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable.

### Procedure-

1. Choose a square matrix ( **$m \times m$** ) (e.g.,  $3 \times 3$ ,  $4 \times 4$ ,  $5 \times 5$ , etc.,)

*Otherwise-Pop up error – select number of rows and Columns should be same (or matrix dimension mismatched)*

2. For a given matrix,

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

The aim of Jordan decomposition is to diagonalize a given square matrix  $A$ , if  $A = PDP^{-1}$  is possible, where  $P$  is an invertible matrix and  $D$  is diagonal matrix. We'll go into the specifics of how matrix  $P$  and matrix  $D$  are formed later. Matrix  $P$  and  $D$  are derived from matrix  $A$ .

3. Firstly, we'll find the eigen values of the matrix  $A$

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0 \quad (I = \text{identity matrix})$$

$$\text{Or, } \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \lambda * \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \begin{bmatrix} (2-\lambda) & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & (2-\lambda) & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & (2-\lambda) \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (2-\lambda) ((2-\lambda) \times (2-\lambda) - 1 \times 1) - 1(1 \times (2-\lambda) - 1 \times 0) + 0(1 \times 1 - (2-\lambda) \times 0) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (2-\lambda)((4-4\lambda+\lambda^2)-1) - 1((2-\lambda)-0) + 0(1-0) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (2-\lambda)(3-4\lambda+\lambda^2) - 1(2-\lambda) + 0(1) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (6-11\lambda+6\lambda^2-\lambda^3) - (2-\lambda) + 0 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (-\lambda^3+6\lambda^2-10\lambda+4) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -(\lambda-2)(\lambda-0.5858)(\lambda-3.4142) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (\lambda-2) = 0 \text{ or } (\lambda-0.5858) = 0 \text{ or } (\lambda-3.4142) = 0$$

So, The eigenvalues of the matrix A are given by  $\lambda = 0.5858, 2, 3.4142$

You can apply Newton Raphson method to find a good approximation for the **root** of a real-valued function. You can use this method here to find the eigen values (or,  $\lambda$ 's)

Please read through the matrix's minor and co-factor in to understand the finding of the determinant value in step 3. I've already written an article regarding minors of a matrix.

4. Now, calculate the eigen vectors from the corresponding eigen values.

In our case, eigen values are 0.5858, 2, 3.4142

For,  $\lambda = 0.5858$

$$A - \lambda * I$$

$$= A - 0.5858 * I$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - 0.5858 * \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

=

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.4142 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1.4142 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1.4142 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, do row operations to reduce the matrix

Now, reduce this matrix

$$R1 \leftarrow R1 \div 1.4142$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.7071 & 0 \\ 1 & 1.4142 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1.4142 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R2 \leftarrow R2 - R1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.7071 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.7071 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1.4142 \end{bmatrix}$$

Interchanging rows  $R2 \leftrightarrow R3$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.7071 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1.4142 \\ 0 & 0.7071 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R1 \leftarrow R1 - 0.7071 \times R2$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1.4142 \\ 0 & 0.7071 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R3 \leftarrow R3 - 0.7071 \times R2$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1.4142 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

One can calculate row echelon form to reduce a matrix

Now, compute

$$A * x - \lambda I * x = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (A - \lambda I)x = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (A - 0.5858 * I)x = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1.4142 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} x1 \\ x2 \\ x3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Or, } x_1 - x_3 = 0, x_2 + 1.4142x_3 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } x_1 = x_3, x_2 = -1.4142x_3$$

Now, for eigen value,  $\lambda = 0.5858$ , corresponding eigen vector is

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ -1.4142x_3 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

let  $x_3 = 1$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1.4142 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We found the eigen vector for the eigen value,  $=0.5858$ , only in step 4 above. The same method may be used to calculate the eigen vectors for  $\lambda=2$  and  $3.4142$ .

Corresponding eigen vectors for eigen values 2 & 3.4142 are

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1.4142 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ respectively.}$$

5. To allow diagonalization, the number of eigenvectors must be equal the given square matrix's dimension.

If the number of eigenvalues is less than the dimension of the given square matrix, a matrix cannot be diagonalized and show pop-up error.

***Pop up error – ‘not diagonalizable!’***

6. Now, initialize the P matrix. P matrix columns are formed from the eigen vectors derived from the eigen values 0.5858, 2, and 3.4142 or they are

$$[\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \mathbf{v}_3]$$

$$\text{or, } P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1.4142 & 0 & 1.4142 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

7. The diagonal matrix (D) of the above matrix A contains the eigen values of matrix A as the following diagonal elements:

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5858 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3.4142 \end{bmatrix}$$

8. Now the final step is to check whether the matrix P is invertible or not. If matrix P is not invertible then display the pop-up notification

***Pop up error – ‘not diagonalizable!’***

The values of matrices A, P, and  $P^{-1}$  will only be displayed if matrix P is invertible.