

Linear Algebra for Computer Science

Lecture 23

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors, Algebraic Multiplicity, Eigenspaces, Geometric Multiplicity

Calculate the Eigenvalues



$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

Eig² (I)

$$Av = \underline{\lambda} v \quad v \in \mathbb{R}^n, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$Av = \lambda v \Rightarrow Av - \lambda v = 0 \Rightarrow Av - (\lambda I)v = 0$$

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 $n \times n$ $n \times n$

$$\Rightarrow \overbrace{(A - \lambda I)}^{n \times n} v = 0 \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I) \text{ is singular}$$

$v \neq 0$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{a polynomial on } \lambda \text{ of degree } n$$

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Calculate the Eigenvalues



Converse:

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I) \text{ singular}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists v \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad (A - \lambda I)v = 0 \Rightarrow Av = \lambda v$$

$v \neq 0$

$\rightarrow \lambda$ is an eigenvalue of A .

Calculate the Eigenvalues



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A - \lambda I = A - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} - \lambda & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (a_{11} - \lambda)(a_{22} - \lambda)(a_{33} - \lambda) - (a_{11} - \lambda)a_{32}a_{23}$$

$$a_{21}a_{12}(a_{33} - \lambda) \pm \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow -\lambda^3 + \dots + a\lambda + b$$

\Rightarrow a polynomial of degree 3 \Rightarrow at most 3 roots
 \Rightarrow at most 3 eigenvalue.

Example



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

characteristic equation

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 3^2 = 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda - 3)(\lambda + 3) = 0$$

roots

$$\lambda = 3 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3v_2 \\ 3v_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3v_1 \\ 3v_2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow v_1 = v_2$$
$$v = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = -3 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = -3 \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3v_2 \\ 3v_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3v_1 \\ -3v_2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow v_1 = -v_2$$
$$v = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, 3 \right), \left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, -3 \right)$$

choose eigenvector to be unit vectors

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}, 3 \right), \left(\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}, -3 \right)$$

Example



eig2

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 - \lambda & 3 \\ 3 & 2 - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underbrace{(2 - \lambda)^2 - 3^2 = 0}_{\text{characteristic polynomial of } A} \Rightarrow 2 - \lambda = \pm 3 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda = -1 \\ \lambda = 5 \end{cases}$$

characteristic polynomial of A

$$\lambda = 1 \Rightarrow A - \lambda I \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} v = 0 \Rightarrow v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 5 \Rightarrow A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 3 \\ 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 3 \\ 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} v = 0 \Rightarrow v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example



Shear $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ~~Assume $\alpha \neq 0$~~

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & \alpha \\ 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (1-\lambda)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

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~~repeated~~ repeated

$$(A - \lambda I)v = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \alpha \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} v = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \alpha \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha v_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha v_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha = 0 & (A \text{ is identity}) \text{ every } v \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ is an} \\ \alpha \neq 0 \Rightarrow v_2 = 0 \Rightarrow v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{cases} \text{eigenvector}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{the only eigenvector is } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: 2D Rotation



Rotation (2D) $R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$ $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$|R - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 = -1$ no real roots

what about complex roots? $\lambda = \pm i$

$$\lambda = i \Rightarrow (R - \lambda I)v = \begin{bmatrix} -i & -1 \\ 1 & -i \end{bmatrix} v = 0 \Rightarrow v = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = -i \Rightarrow (R - \lambda I)v = \begin{bmatrix} i & -1 \\ 1 & i \end{bmatrix} v = 0 \Rightarrow v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: 2D Rotation



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$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \pi/2 & -\sin \pi/2 \\ \sin \pi/2 & \cos \pi/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

eig2 (III)

\Rightarrow no real eigenpairs \Rightarrow there are complex eigenpairs

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}, -i \right), \left(\begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, +i \right)$$

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

Number of Eigenvalues



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \\ i & j & k & l \\ m & n & o & p \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} a-\lambda & b & c & d \\ e & f-\lambda & g & h \\ i & j & k-\lambda & l \\ m & n & o & p-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow \det(A - \lambda I)$ is a polynomial of degree 4 on λ

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \Rightarrow \det(A - \lambda I)$ is a polynomial of degree n on λ

\Rightarrow has at most n roots

$\Rightarrow A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \Rightarrow A$ has at most n eigenvalues

$A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \Rightarrow$ " " " " n "

Eigenspace



Let λ be an eigenvalue of $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ eig2 (IV)
What are the set of ~~any~~ eigenvectors corresponding
to λ ? $\Rightarrow N(A - \lambda I) \Rightarrow$ is a linear subspace
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null space

v_1, v_2 are eigenvectors corresponding to eigenvalue λ .

$$\left. \begin{aligned} Av_1 &= \lambda v_1 \\ Av_2 &= \lambda v_2 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

v_1, v_2 share a common
eigenvalue λ

$$A(\alpha v_1 + \beta v_2) = \alpha Av_1 + \beta Av_2 \\ = \alpha \lambda v_1 + \beta \lambda v_2$$

(every linear combination of v_1, v_2)

$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\alpha v_1 + \beta v_2}$ is also an eigenvector of A .

\Rightarrow the set of eigenvectors corresponding to
an eigenvalue λ is a linear subspace.

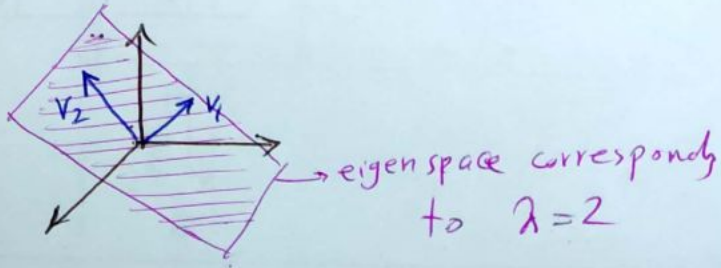
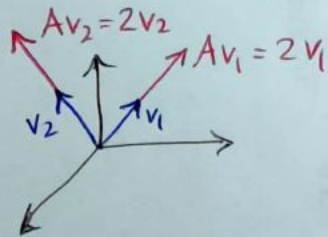
Eigenspace



In general for every eigenvalue λ there is a linear subspace V_λ such that for all $v \in V_\lambda$ we have $Av = \lambda v$

V_λ is called the eigenspace correspondy to λ .

$$V_\lambda = N(A - \lambda I)$$



Example: Identity matrix



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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{the only eigenvalue is } \lambda = 1 \quad \text{eig2 } \textcircled{V}$$
$$\text{eigenspace } (\lambda = 1) = V_\lambda = \mathbb{R}^2 \Rightarrow \text{2D eigenspace}$$
$$Av = v = 1 \cdot v$$

Identity matrix, geometric and algebraic multiplicity



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

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)^2 = 0$$

$$\text{Algebraic mult} = 2 \leftarrow \lambda = 1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{eigenspace } (\lambda = 1) = \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\text{geo mult.} = 2$$

Example:



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \lambda = 2 \Rightarrow V_{\lambda} = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \quad 1D \\ \lambda = 3 \Rightarrow V_{\lambda} = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \quad 1D \end{array}$$

Example:



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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 2 \Rightarrow V_\lambda = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \quad 1D$$

$$\lambda = 3 \Rightarrow V_\lambda = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

for every eigen space V_λ choose a basis B_λ 2D

Example:



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow |A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (2-\lambda)(3-\lambda)^2 = 0$$

$\lambda_1 = 2 \rightarrow \text{alg mult} = 1 \rightarrow e \rightarrow \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\lambda_2, \lambda_3 = \underline{\underline{3}} \rightarrow \text{alg mult} = 2 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix}$

Example:



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$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$\lambda = 2 \Rightarrow V(\lambda) = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$
geometric mult. = algebraic mult. = 1

$\lambda = 3 \Rightarrow V(\lambda) = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$
2 = geo. mult. = alg. mult.