

LECTURE 4

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REVIEW OF LECTURE 3:

- VECTORS
- LINEAR INDEPENDENCE

PLAN FOR LECTURE 4:

- ① EIGENVALUES AND EIGENVECTORS
 - ② DIAGONALIZATION
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① Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Definition: A square ($n \times n$) matrix

If we have

$$\boxed{A \cdot \underline{x} = \lambda \cdot \underline{x}}, \quad \underline{x} \neq \underline{0}$$

} A : $n \times n$ -matrix
 \underline{x} : n -vector
 λ : a number

then

λ is called an eigenvalue for A
 \underline{x} ———— eigenvector for A

Example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

2x2-matrix

$$\underline{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \underline{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

2-vectors

$$A \cdot \underline{x} = \lambda \cdot \underline{x}$$

Are $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2$ eigenvectors?

$$A \cdot \underline{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 3 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow \underline{x}_1$ is eigenvector with eigenvalue $\lambda = 3$.

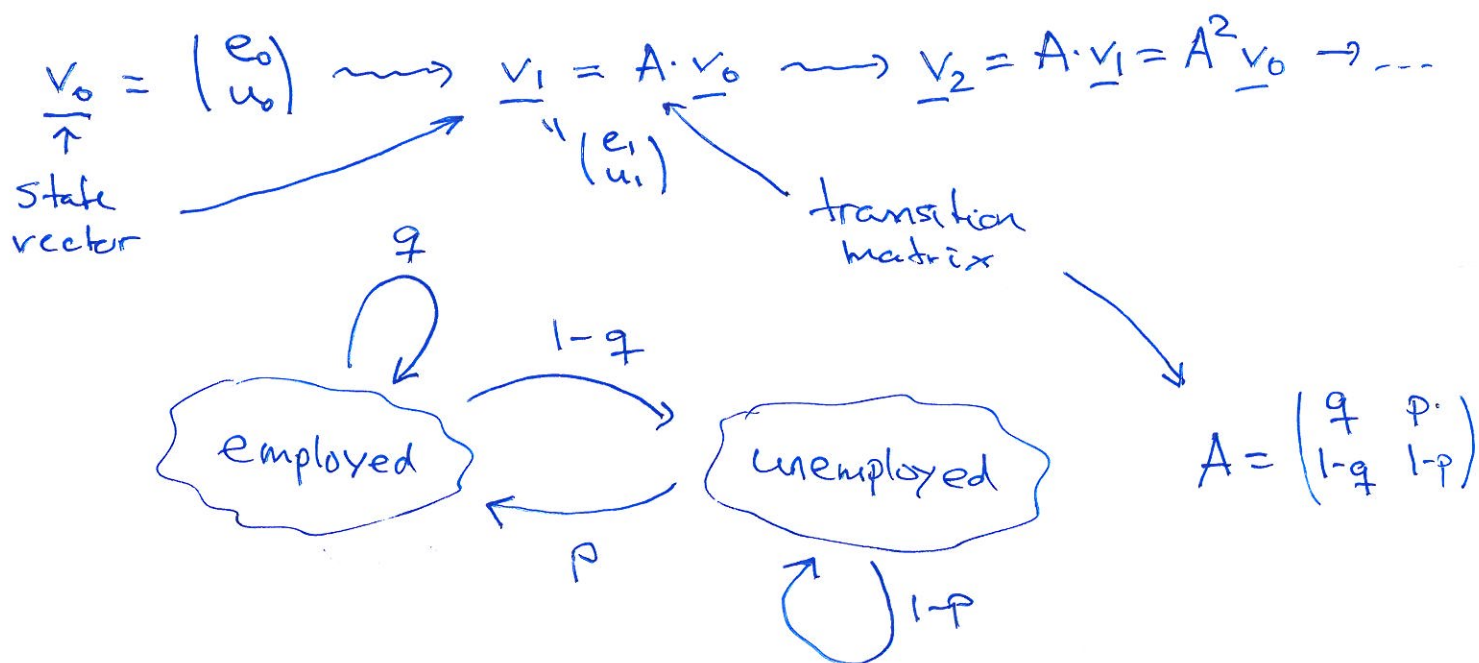
$$A \cdot \underline{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow \underline{x}_2$ is an eigenvector with eigenvalue $\lambda = 1$

$$A \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \neq \lambda \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ is not an eigenvector

Motivation: Linear dynamical system



Ex: $x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 \\ 0.1 \end{pmatrix}$

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.998 & 0.136 \\ 0.002 & 0.864 \end{pmatrix}$

$\underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.998 & 0.136 \\ 0.002 & 0.864 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 \\ 0.1 \end{pmatrix} = ?$

$\underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.998 & 0.136 \\ 0.002 & 0.864 \end{pmatrix}^2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 \\ 0.1 \end{pmatrix} = ?$

$\underline{v}_{30} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.998 & 0.136 \\ 0.002 & 0.864 \end{pmatrix}^{30} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 \\ 0.1 \end{pmatrix} = ?$

Equilibrium: $A \cdot \underline{v} = \underline{v} = 1 \cdot \underline{v}$ } $\lambda = 1$ eigenvalue
} \underline{v} eigenvector

$\begin{pmatrix} 0.998 & 0.136 \\ 0.002 & 0.864 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ $v = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

$\left. \begin{matrix} 0.998x + 0.136y = x \\ 0.002x + 0.864y = y \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} (0.998 - 1)x + 0.136y = 0 \\ 0.002x + (0.864 - 1)y = 0 \end{matrix}$

Normalization: } choose $x+y=1$ to get the answer in percent

$x+y = 68y+y$
 $= 69y = 1$
 $\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{69}$

$-0.002x + 0.136y = 0$
 ~~$0.002x - 0.136y = 0$~~

$x = \frac{-0.136y}{-0.002} = 68y$

$x = 68y$

long run employment \rightarrow $x = 68 \cdot \frac{1}{69} = \frac{68}{69}$
 unemployment \rightarrow $y = \frac{1}{69}$

General method for finding eigenvalues and eigenvectors:

A $n \times n$ -matrix

① Find the eigenvalues

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

equation

← Find the values of λ such that there is at least one $\underline{x} \neq \underline{0}$ that solves the equation.

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

$$\underline{A}\underline{x} - \lambda \underline{x} = \underline{0}$$

$$\underline{A}\underline{x} - \lambda \underline{I} \cdot \underline{x} = \underline{0}$$

$$\underline{(A - \lambda I)} \underline{x} = \underline{0}$$

$$(a_{11} - \lambda)x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots = 0$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + (a_{22} - \lambda)x_2 + \dots = 0$$

$$\dots = 0$$

since

$$\lambda \cdot \underline{I} = \lambda \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & & & \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

non-trivial solutions } $\Leftrightarrow |A - \lambda I| = 0$

Conclusion:

The eigenvalues of A are the solutions of the characteristic equation

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0$$

Ex: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ Find the eigenvalues.

Char. eqn:

$$|A - \lambda I| = \left| \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} - \lambda \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right| = \left| \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \right|$$
$$= \begin{vmatrix} 4-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (4-\lambda) \cdot (4-\lambda) - 3 \cdot 3$$

$$= 4 \cdot 4 - 2 \cdot 4 \cdot \lambda + \lambda^2 - 3 \cdot 3$$

$$= \boxed{\lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 7 = 0} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\lambda = 7, \lambda = 1}}$$

eigenvalues of A

In general: A $n \times n$ -matrix $\Rightarrow |A - \lambda I| = 0$
equation of degree n

The case $n=2$:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}; \quad \det(A) = ad - bc$$
$$\text{tr}(A) = a + d \quad (\text{trace} = \text{sum of the entries on the diagonal})$$

Char. eqn: $\boxed{\lambda^2 - \text{tr}(A) \cdot \lambda + \det(A) = 0}$

Ex: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $\text{tr} A = 2$ $\det(A) = 1$

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0 \iff \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{\lambda = 1}} \quad (\text{multiplicity } 2)$$

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 1)^2 = 0$$

$$\underline{\lambda_1 = 1}, \quad \underline{\lambda_2 = 1}$$

Ex: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0 \iff \lambda^2 - 0 \cdot \lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + 1 = 0$$

no (real) solutions

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no eigenvalues

Ex: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ Find the eigenvalues.

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

$$= (1-\lambda) \cdot ((2-\lambda)(2-\lambda) - 1^2) = (1-\lambda)(\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3) = 0$$

Concl: $(1-\lambda)(\lambda-1)(\lambda-3) = 0$

$\underline{\lambda = 1}$ or $\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3 = 0$

$\underline{\lambda = 1}$ (mult. 2), $\underline{\lambda = 3}$

$\underline{\lambda = 1}, \underline{\lambda = 3}$

Fact:

If A is an $n \times n$ -matrix with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots, \lambda_n$ (not necessarily different), then we have

$$\det(A) = \lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_2 \cdot \lambda_3 \cdot \dots \cdot \lambda_n$$
$$\operatorname{tr}(A) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \dots + \lambda_n$$

(2) Compute eigenvectors for each eigenvalue

If A has eigenvalue λ , we compute the eigenvectors of A with eigenvalue λ by solving the linear system

$$(A - \lambda I) \cdot \underline{x} = \underline{0}$$

Ex: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda = 3$

Eigenvectors for $\lambda = 3$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

\uparrow
 $(A - \lambda I)$ with $\lambda = 3$

$$\left[\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right] \left| \right|$$

\downarrow

$$\begin{pmatrix} \textcircled{-1} & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{-2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

\uparrow
one free var.
 z

$$\begin{aligned} -x + z &= 0 \\ -2y &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} x = z \\ y = 0 \\ z \text{ is free} \end{cases}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x = z \\ y = 0 \\ z = z \text{ (free)} \end{array} \right\} \underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} z \\ 0 \\ z \end{pmatrix} = z \cdot \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}}$$

Conclusion:

The eigenvector for A
corresponding to $\lambda = 3$: $\underline{\underline{z \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}}$

In general, when you solve a homogeneous linear system with (d) degrees of freedom, you get the solutions in standard form as

$$s_1 \cdot \underline{v}_1 + s_2 \cdot \underline{v}_2 + \dots + s_d \cdot \underline{v}_d$$

where s_1, s_2, \dots, s_d are the free variables.

Fact:

If you use an echelon form of the coefficient matrix to solve the system,

then

$$\{ \underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_d \}$$

are linearly independent.

Eigenvectors for $\lambda=1$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2-1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1-1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2-1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \left[\begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \\ \leftarrow \\ \leftarrow \end{array} \right. -1$$

↓

$$x + z = 0 \quad y, z \text{ free} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x = -z \\ y = y \\ z = z \end{array} \right\} \underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -z \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -z \\ 0 \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= y \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + z \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are linearly independent

Fact:

If λ is an eigenvalue of multiplicity m , the equations determining the eigenvector for λ has

- at least one degree of freedom
- at most m degrees of freedom

Ex: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $\lambda = 1$ eigenvalue
multiplicity = 2

Eigenvectors for $\lambda = 1$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1-1 \end{pmatrix} \underline{x} = \underline{0} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow y = 0$$

x free
one degree of freedom

$$\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = x \cdot \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}} \quad \leftarrow \begin{cases} \text{one degree of freedom} \\ \text{multiplicity } \underline{2} \end{cases}$$

② Diagonalization:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.998 & 0.136 \\ 0.002 & 0.864 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^{100} = ?$$

$$A^n = ?$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D^{100} = \begin{pmatrix} 1^{100} & 0 \\ 0 & 0.4^{100} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1^n & 0 \\ 0 & 0.4^n \end{pmatrix}$$

Definition:

A matrix A is diagonalizable if there exists an invertible matrix P such that

$$P^{-1}AP = D$$

is diagonal.

Motivation:

$$P^{-1}AP = D \iff A = PDP^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \# \quad A^n &= \underbrace{A \cdot A \cdot A \cdot \dots \cdot A}_{\Downarrow} \\ &= \cancel{PDP^{-1}} \cdot \cancel{PDP^{-1}} \cdot \dots \cdot \cancel{PDP^{-1}} \\ &= \underline{\underline{P \cdot D^n \cdot P^{-1}}} \end{aligned}$$

How to find a diagonalization, if possible:

If $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ are eigenvalues of A ($n \times n$ -matrix), and $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n$ are eigenvectors for A (\underline{v}_i is eigenvector with eigenvalue λ_i), then

$$A \cdot \underline{v}_1 = \lambda_1 \underline{v}_1 \quad A \underline{v}_2 = \lambda_2 \underline{v}_2 \quad \dots \quad A \underline{v}_n = \lambda_n \underline{v}_n$$

Form the matrices:

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

eigenvalues on
the diagonal

$$P = \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} \underline{v}_1 & \underline{v}_2 & \dots & \underline{v}_n \end{array} \right)$$

eigenvectors as
columns

Then:

$$A \cdot P = P \cdot D \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} A \cdot (\underline{v}_1 | \underline{v}_2 \dots | \underline{v}_n) = (\lambda_1 \underline{v}_1 | \lambda_2 \underline{v}_2 | \dots) \\ = P \cdot D \end{array} \right.$$

If moreover $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$ are linearly independent, then P is invertible, and then

$$AP = PD \implies P^{-1}AP = D$$

Facts:

① A is diagonalizable $\iff A$ has n linearly independent eigenvectors

n eigenvalues counted with multiplicity

① \iff all eigenvalues are real (n eigenvalue counted with multiplicity)

must check that the number of degrees of freedom = m for each eigenvalue λ of multiplicity $m \geq 2$

and
② the number of degrees of freedom for each eigenvalue equals the multiplicity.

Ex: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Diagonalizable: * $\lambda_1=1, \lambda_2=1, \lambda_3=3$
(three eigenvalues, counted with multiplicity) ✓
* The eigenvectors for $\lambda=1$ are given by two free variables ✓

$\lambda_1=1$ (mult 2)
 $\lambda_2=3$ (mult 1)

$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ $P = \left(\underline{v}_1 \mid \underline{v}_2 \mid \underline{v}_3 \right)$

② Fact: A symmetric matrix is always diagonalizable.