

Section 5.2 : The Characteristic Equation

Chapter 5 : Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors
Math 1554 Linear Algebra

- Topics
We will cover these topics in this section.
1. The characteristic polynomial of a matrix
 2. Algebraic and geometric multiplicity of eigenvalues
 3. Similar matrices

- Objectives
For the topics covered in this section, students are expected to be able to do the following.
1. Construct the characteristic polynomial of a matrix and use it to identify eigenvalues and their multiplicities.
 2. Characterize the long-term behaviour of dynamical systems using eigenvalue decompositions.

Exam 2 on
Wed @ 6:30pm
Cover up to §5.2

How to find the λ 's.

$$-(a-b) = (b-a)$$

The Characteristic Polynomial

Recall:
 λ is an eigenvalue of $A \Leftrightarrow (A - \lambda I)$ is not invertible.
Therefore, to calculate the eigenvalues of A , we can solve
 $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$
The quantity $\det(A - \lambda I)$ is the characteristic polynomial of A .
The quantity $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ is the characteristic equation of A .
The roots of the characteristic polynomial are the eigenvalues of A .

set $p(\lambda) = 0$

Example

The characteristic polynomial of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is:

$$p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 5-\lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 1-\lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

So the eigenvalues of A are:

$$= (5-\lambda)(1-\lambda) - (2)(2)$$

$$= (\lambda-5)(\lambda-1) - 4$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 5 - 4$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 1$$

root of $p(\lambda)$ are
 $\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \lambda_1, \lambda_2$

$$\lambda = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36-4}}{2}$$

$$\lambda = 3 \pm \frac{\sqrt{32}}{2}$$

$$\lambda = 3 \pm \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\lambda = 3 \pm 2\sqrt{2}$$

$\sqrt{32} = \sqrt{16 \cdot 2} = 4\sqrt{2}$
 \uparrow $p(\lambda)$ the Char Poly of A .
roots $p(\lambda) = 0$
solve for λ .

why?

what this?

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

$A - \lambda I$ not invertible. (DET)

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

non-zero soln $\vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$.

$$\Leftrightarrow A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x} \quad (\vec{x} \neq \vec{0})$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad p(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 1$$

Characteristic Polynomial of 2 x 2 Matrices

Express the characteristic equation of

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

in terms of its determinant. What is the equation when M is singular?

$$\begin{aligned} p(\lambda) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} a-\lambda & b \\ c & d-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (a-\lambda)(d-\lambda) - bc = (\lambda-a)(\lambda-d) - bc \\ &= \lambda^2 - a\lambda - d\lambda + ad - bc \\ &= \lambda^2 - (a+d)\lambda + (ad-bc) \end{aligned}$$

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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad p(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - \boxed{6}\lambda + \boxed{1}$$

$\det A$ (points to 1)
 $\text{tr}(A)$ "The sum of diag entries" (points to 6)

Geometric Multiplicity

Definition

The geometric multiplicity of an eigenvalue λ is the dimension of $\text{Null}(A - \lambda I)$.

- Geometric multiplicity is always at least 1. It can be smaller than algebraic multiplicity.
- Here is the basic example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\lambda = 0$ is the only eigenvalue. Its algebraic multiplicity is 2, but the geometric multiplicity is 1.

$$\lambda_1 = 0 \quad \lambda_2 = 0 \quad \text{alg mult is } 2$$

geo mult is $\dim \text{Nul}(A - \lambda I)$.

$$\text{Nul}(A - 0I) = \text{Nul}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = r \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Nul}(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad \dim \text{Nul}(A) = 1$$

So 0-eigenspace has dim of 1

$$\text{geo mult of } \lambda=0 \text{ is } 1$$

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Algebraic Multiplicity

#times the root appears in $p(\lambda)=0$

Definition

The algebraic multiplicity of an eigenvalue is its multiplicity as a root of the characteristic polynomial.

Example

Compute the algebraic multiplicities of the eigenvalues for the matrix

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

$\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 0, \lambda_3 = -1, \lambda_4 = -2$

alg mult 1 (for 1)
 alg mult 2 (for 0)
 alg mult 1 (for -1)
 alg mult 1 (for -2)

$$p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$$

$$= \det \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (1-\lambda)(-\lambda)(-1-\lambda)(-2-\lambda) \\ &= \lambda^2(\lambda-1)(\lambda+1) \\ &= (\lambda-0)^2(\lambda-1)(\lambda-(-1))^1(\lambda-(-2))^1 \end{aligned}$$

FACT: A $n \times n$ matrix
 $p(\lambda) = (-1)^n \lambda^n \pm \text{tr} A \lambda^{n-1} \pm \dots \pm \det A$

deg $n-1$ term
 constant term
 always ends in \pm

Example

Give an example of a 4×4 matrix with $\lambda = 3$ the only eigenvalue, but the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = 3$ is one.

$\lambda = 3$ alg mult 4 \neq geo mult 1. 3 instead.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

hint: $A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

can't solve for \vec{x}

$$\vec{x} = r \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

basis for $\lambda=3$ eigenspace is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

So geo mult is 1.



Try it!
 Construct a matrix A w/ specified λ 's specified alg mult. specified geo mult.

eg:
 $\lambda_1 = 1$ alg 2 geo 1
 $\lambda_2 = 5$ alg 3 geo 2

Recall: Long-Term Behavior of Markov Chains

Recall:

- We often want to know what happens to a Markov Chain

$$\vec{x}_{k+1} = P\vec{x}_k, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

as $k \rightarrow \infty$:

- If P is regular, then there is a _____

Now lets ask:

- If we don't know whether P is regular, what else might we do to describe the long-term behavior of the system?
- What can eigenvalues tell us about the behavior of these systems?

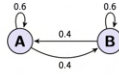
Example: Eigenvalues and Markov Chains

Note: the textbook has a similar example that you can review.

Consider the Markov Chain:

$$\vec{x}_{k+1} = P\vec{x}_k = \begin{pmatrix} 0.6 & 0.4 \\ 0.4 & 0.6 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x}_k, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, \quad \vec{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

This system can be represented schematically with two nodes, A and B:



Goal: use eigenvalues to describe the long-term behavior of our system.

What are the eigenvalues of P ?

What are the corresponding eigenvectors of P ?

Use the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of P to analyze the long-term behaviour of the system. In other words, determine what \vec{x}_k tends to as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

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$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 3/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad P\vec{x} = \vec{x}$$

$$\det(AA^{-1}) = \det I = 1$$

$$\det A \det A^{-1} = 1$$

$$\det A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & y=0 \\ & x \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ v.b.} \\ & A\vec{x} \neq A\vec{0} \quad \forall \vec{x} \neq \vec{0} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) &= A\vec{v} + A\vec{w} \\ &= 5\vec{v} + 6\vec{w} = 2\vec{v} + \vec{v} + 6\vec{w} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 2\vec{v}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A, B \text{ } \underline{\underline{n \times n}}$$

$$\det(AB) = \det A * \det B$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

Similar Matrices

Definition

Two $n \times n$ matrices A and B are **similar** if there is a matrix P so that $A = PBP^{-1}$.

Theorem

If A and B similar, then they have the same characteristic polynomial.

If time permits, we will explain or prove this theorem in lecture. Note:

- Our textbook introduces similar matrices in Section 5.2, but doesn't have exercises on this concept until 5.3.
- Two matrices, A and B , do not need to be similar to have the same eigenvalues. For example,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Additional Examples (if time permits)

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

$\lambda = 0, 2 \quad \lambda = 0, 1.$

1. True or false.

True a) If A is similar to the identity matrix, then A is equal to the identity matrix.

False b) A row replacement operation on a matrix does not change its eigenvalues.

2. For what values of k does the matrix have one real eigenvalue with algebraic multiplicity 2?

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 & k \\ 2 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P(\lambda) = \det \begin{pmatrix} -3-\lambda & k \\ 2 & -6-\lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (-3-\lambda)(-6-\lambda) - 2k$$

$$= (\lambda+3)(\lambda+6) - 2k$$

$$= \lambda^2 + 9\lambda + 18 - 2k$$

$$= (\lambda - c)^2$$

$$18 - 2k = \left(-\frac{9}{2}\right)^2$$

Notice

$$\text{If } PA(\lambda) = PB(\lambda)$$

(i.e. A, B have same char poly)

Then

* Same λ 's eigenvalues

* Same det

* Same trace

* Same alg for each λ .

If A & B satisfy all these

$\Rightarrow A, B$ are similar?

A is similar to I

$$A = PIP^{-1} \Rightarrow A = I$$

$$PIP^{-1} = PP^{-1} = I \checkmark$$

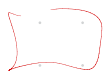
$$PA(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1$$

$$PI(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1$$

$$PA(\lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1-\lambda)^2 = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1$$

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

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



$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad P_{x=0}$$

$$\det(AA^{-1}) = \det I = 1$$

$$\det A \det A^{-1} = 1$$

$$\det A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A}$$

$y=0$
 $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ w.b.
 $A\vec{x} \neq A\vec{0} \quad \forall \vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$

$$A(v+w) = Av + Aw \\ = b + b = 2b \neq b.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 2b$$

A, B $n \times n$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(AB) = \det A \cdot \det B$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

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5.2 Exercises

Find the characteristic polynomial and the eigenvalues of the matrices in Exercises 1–8.

1. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

2. $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

3. $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

4. $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

5. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

6. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

7. $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ -4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

8. $\begin{bmatrix} 7 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Exercises 9–14 require techniques from Section 3.1. Find the characteristic polynomial of each matrix using expansion across a row or down a column. [Note: Finding the characteristic polynomial of a 3×3 matrix is not easy to do with just row operations, because the variable λ is involved.]

9. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

10. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

11. $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 3 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

12. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -3 & 6 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

13. $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 9 & 0 \\ 5 & 8 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

14. $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 6 & 7 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

For the matrices in Exercises 15–17, list the eigenvalues, repeated according to their multiplicities.

15. $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -7 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

16. $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 8 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -5 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

17. $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -5 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -7 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 & 9 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

18. It can be shown that the algebraic multiplicity of an eigenvalue λ is always greater than or equal to the dimension of the eigenspace corresponding to λ . Find h in the matrix A below such that the eigenspace for $\lambda = 5$ is two-dimensional:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 & 6 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & h & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

19. Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix, and suppose A has n real eigenvalues, $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$, repeated according to multiplicities, so that $\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda_1 - \lambda)(\lambda_2 - \lambda) \cdots (\lambda_n - \lambda)$.

In Exercises 21–30, A and B are $n \times n$ matrices. Mark each statement True or False (T/F). Justify each answer.

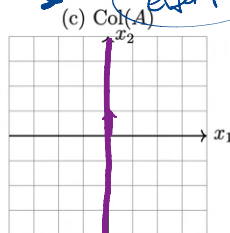
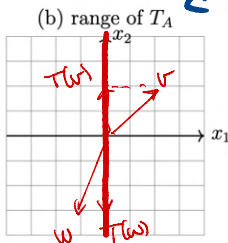
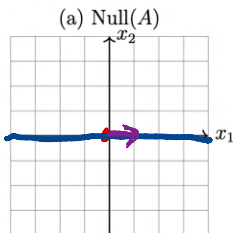
- (T/F) If 0 is an eigenvalue of A , then A is invertible.
- (T/F) The zero vector is in the eigenspace of A associated with an eigenvalue λ .
- (T/F) The matrix A and its transpose, A^T , have different sets of eigenvalues.
- (T/F) The matrices A and $B^{-1}AB$ have the same sets of eigenvalues for every invertible matrix B .
- (T/F) If 2 is an eigenvalue of A , then $A - 2I$ is not invertible.
- (T/F) If two matrices have the same set of eigenvalues, then they are similar.
- (T/F) If $\lambda + 5$ is a factor of the characteristic polynomial of A , then 5 is an eigenvalue of A .
- (T/F) The multiplicity of a root r of the characteristic equation of A is called the algebraic multiplicity of r as an eigenvalue of A .
- (T/F) The eigenvalue of the $n \times n$ identity matrix is 1 with algebraic multiplicity n .
- (T/F) The matrix A can have more than n eigenvalues.

Midterm 2 Lecture Review Activity, Math 1554

1. (3 points) T_A is the linear transform $x \rightarrow Ax$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$, that projects points in \mathbb{R}^2 onto the x_2 -axis. Sketch the nullspace of A , the range of the transform, and the column space of A . How are the range and column space related to each other?

The range is what's come out

same



$$T(\vec{x}) = \vec{b}$$

But

$$T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$$

$$\neq x_1 v_1 + x_2 v_2 = \vec{b}$$

META: $A = [T(e_1) \ T(e_2)] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $\vec{x} = r \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$T \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Null } A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Col } A &= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

2. Indicate **true** if the statement is true, otherwise, indicate **false**.

a) $S = \{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x_1 = 4, x_2 = 16, x_3 = x_1 x_2 \}$ is a subspace for any $a \in \mathbb{R}$. true false

b) If A is square and non-zero, and $A\vec{x} = A\vec{y}$ for some $\vec{x} \neq \vec{y}$ then $\det(A) \neq 0$. true false

\forall "for any" universal quantifier
 \exists "for some" existential quantifier

Check: $\textcircled{1}$ If $0 \notin S$ then S is not a subspace
 $\textcircled{2}$ If $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in S$ then $\vec{v} + \vec{w} \in S$
 $\textcircled{3}$ If $\vec{v} \in S$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$ then $c\vec{v} \in S$

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 16 \\ 64 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$T \notin S$ is a 1-dim'l subspace of \mathbb{R}^3

(b) If $x \neq y$ and $T(x) = T(y)$

then T is not 1-to-1

$\Rightarrow A$ is not inv. $\Rightarrow \det = 0$.

alt approach

$$\begin{aligned} Ax - Ay &= \vec{0} \\ \Rightarrow A(x - y) &= \vec{0} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x \neq y \text{ so} \\ x - y &\neq \vec{0} \end{aligned}$$

Q₁: What is a steady-state vector of a stochastic matrix P ?

Q₂: What the long term trend of a Markov chain?

Q₃: are they the same thing?

$\begin{bmatrix} .2 \\ .8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} .1 \\ .2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} .2 \\ .8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} .1 \\ .2 \end{bmatrix}, \dots$

Markov chain.

Ex. $P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} .2 \\ .8 \end{bmatrix}$

$$x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} .2 \\ .8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad x_1 = P x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .2 \\ .8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .8 \\ .2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_2 = P^2 x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} .2 \\ .8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_3 = P^3 x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} .8 \\ .2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$P x_0 = x_0$

$$P - I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} .5 \\ .5 \end{bmatrix}$

So x_0 is a steady-state

3. If possible, write down an example of a matrix or quantity with the given properties. If it is not possible to do so, write *not possible*.

(a) A is 2×2 , $\text{Col}A$ is spanned by the vector $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\dim(\text{Null}(A)) = 1$. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) A is 2×2 , $\text{Col}A$ is spanned by the vector $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\dim(\text{Null}(A)) = 0$. $A = (NP)$

(c) A is in RREF and $T_A: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$. The vectors u and v are a basis for the range of T .

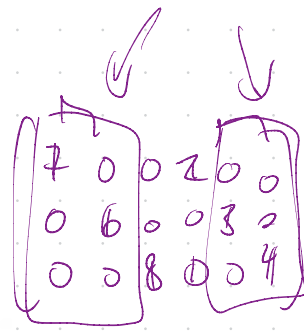
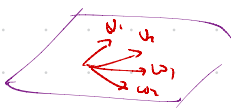
$$u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

basis for $\text{Col}A$.

$\text{Col}A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \stackrel{?}{=} \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

yes.

In general $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2\} = \text{span}\{w_1, w_2\}$
 $\nexists u_1, u_2 \in \text{span}\{w_1, w_2\}$
 AND $w_1, w_2 \in \text{span}\{u_1, u_2\}$



$\lambda = \mu$

4. Indicate whether the situations are possible or impossible by filling in the appropriate circle.

$\lambda \neq \mu$ eigenvalues are different.

possible impossible

4.i) Vectors \vec{u} and \vec{v} are eigenvectors of square matrix A , and $\vec{w} \neq \vec{u} + \vec{v}$ is also an eigenvector of A . possible impossible

4.ii) $T_A = A\vec{x}$ is one-to-one, $\dim(\text{Col}(A)) = 4$, and $T_A: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$. possible impossible

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $\lambda = 1, \mu = -1$
 $u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $v = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $\lambda = 1$
 $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = (-1) \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $\mu = -1$

$w = u + v = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} ?$

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq \gamma \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

5. (2 points) Fill in the blanks.

(a) If A is a 6×4 matrix in RREF and $\text{rank}(A) = 4$, what is the rank of A^T ? 4

(b) $T_A = A\vec{x}$, where $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$, is a linear transform that first rotates vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 clockwise by π radians about the origin, then scales their x -component by a factor of 3, then projects them onto the x_1 -axis. What is the value of $\det(A)$? 0

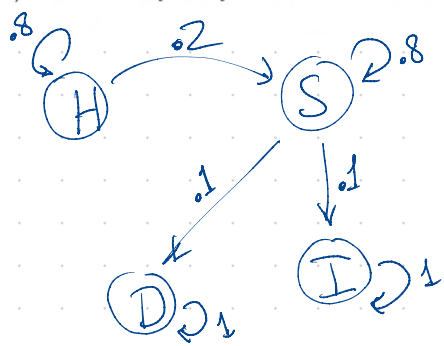
6. (3 points) A virus is spreading in a lake. Every week,

- 20% of the healthy fish get sick with the virus, while the other healthy fish remain healthy but could get sick at a later time.
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Solve $(P-I)\vec{x} = 0$

$$P-I = \begin{pmatrix} -0.2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.2 & -0.2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

If not unique \Rightarrow not reg.

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

All \Rightarrow choose \vec{q}

$$\vec{x} = r \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$r=1, s=0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$$

$r=2, s=3$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.6 \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{vmatrix} 0.5 & \\ & -0.5 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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1	8/21 - 8/25	1.1	WS1.1	1.2	WS1.2	1.3	
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3	9/4 - 9/8	Break	WS1.7	1.8	WS1.8	1.9	
4	9/11 - 9/15	2.1	WS1.9,2.1	Exam 1	Cancelled	2.2	
5	9/18 - 9/22	2.3,2.4	WS2.2,2.3	2.5	WS2.4,2.5	2.8	
6	9/25 - 9/29	2.9	WS2.8,2.9	3.1,3.2	WS3.1,3.2	3.3	
7	10/2 - 10/6	4.9	WS3.4,4.9	5.1,5.2	WS4.1,5.2	5.3	
8	10/9 - 10/13	Break	Exam 2	Review	Cancelled	5.3	
9	10/16 - 10/20	5.3	WS5.3	5.5	WS5.5	6.1	
10	10/23 - 10/27	6.1,6.2	WS6.1	6.2	WS6.2	6.3	
11	10/30 - 11/3	6.4	WS6.3,6.4	6.4,6.5	WS6.4,6.5	6.5	
12	11/6 - 11/10	6.6	WS6.5,6.6	Exam 3	Review	Cancelled	
13	11/13 - 11/17	7.1	WS7	PageRank	7.2	WS7.1,7.2	
14	11/20 - 11/24	7.3,7.4	WS7.2,7.3	Break	Break	Break	
15	11/27 - 12/1	7.4	WS7.3,7.4	7.4	WS7.4	7.4	
16	12/4 - 12/8	Last lecture	Last Studio	Reading Period			
17	12/11 - 12/15	Final Exams: MATH 1554 Common Final Exam Tuesday, December 12th at 4pm					

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Diagonal Matrices

A matrix is **diagonal** if the only non-zero elements, if any, are on the main diagonal.

The following are all diagonal matrices.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, [2], I_n, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We'll only be working with diagonal square matrices in this course.

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Powers of Diagonal Matrices

If A is diagonal, then A^k is easy to compute. For example,

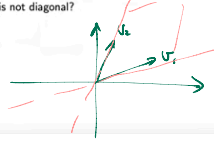
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^k = \begin{pmatrix} 3^k & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5^k \end{pmatrix}$$

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But what if A is not diagonal?



A diagonal
the λ_1, λ_2
are the
diagonal
entries
the eigenvectors
are

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^k = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^k & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2^k \end{pmatrix}$$

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Diagonalization

Suppose $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. We say that A is **diagonalizable** if it is similar to a diagonal matrix, D . That is, we can write

$$A = PDP^{-1}$$

what are these

$$A = PDP^{-1}$$

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$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

What could go wrong

$$A\vec{v}_i = \lambda_i \vec{v}_i$$

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Diagonalization

Theorem

If A is diagonalizable $\Leftrightarrow A$ has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

Note: the symbol \Leftrightarrow means "if and only if".

Also note that $A = PDP^{-1}$ if and only if

$$A = [\vec{v}_1 \ \vec{v}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{v}_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

where $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ are linearly independent eigenvectors, and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ are the corresponding eigenvalues (in order).

$d=1$ alg 2

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

geo mult 1

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

geo 1

$$\vec{x} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

No real eigenvalues

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

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

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

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

complex roots $\lambda = \pm i$

Distinct Eigenvalues

Theorem

If A is $n \times n$ and has n distinct eigenvalues, then A is diagonalizable.

Why does this theorem hold?

Is it necessary for an $n \times n$ matrix to have n distinct eigenvalues for it to be diagonalizable?

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Non-Distinct Eigenvalues

Theorem. Suppose

- A is $n \times n$
- A has distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k, k \leq n$
- a_i = algebraic multiplicity of λ_i
- d_i = dimension of λ_i eigenspace ("geometric multiplicity")

Then

- $d_i \leq a_i$ for all i
- A is diagonalizable $\Leftrightarrow \sum d_i = n \Leftrightarrow d_i = a_i$ for all i
- A is diagonalizable \Leftrightarrow the eigenvectors, for all eigenvalues, together form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

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Example 1

Shane

Diagonalize if possible.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Step 1: Find λ_1 & λ_2

Step 2: Find a basis of eigenvectors for each eigenvalue

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Step 3: Construct $P = [\vec{v}_1 \ \vec{v}_2]$
 $D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$

Step 4 (optional): Check $A = PDP^{-1}$?

Example 2

Diagonalize if possible.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Step 1:

$$P(\lambda) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 6 \\ 0 & -1-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

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

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

$$\lambda = 2, -1$$

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Step 2: $\lambda = 2$ $A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 6 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

basis is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

$\lambda = -1$ $A + I = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

basis is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

W/S $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$

$$A = PDP^{-1}$$

$$A = Q\Lambda Q^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

Example 2

Diagonalize if possible.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Step 1: $p(\lambda) = (\lambda - 3)^2 = 0$ alg 2 $\lambda = 3$ only eigenvalue.

Step 2: $\lambda = 3$ $A - 3I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

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geo mult is 1.

b/c only one free var

so $\dim \text{Nul}(A - 3I) = 1$.

(dim of eigenspace = geo mult)

NOT invertible

$$A \neq \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

IF $A = P \Lambda P^{-1}$
Then $A = I$.

Example 3

alg mult? $p(\lambda) = -(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)$

Additional Example (if time permits)

The eigenvalues of A are $\lambda = 3, 1$. If possible, construct P and D such that $AP = PD$.

Note that

$$\vec{x}_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}_{k-1}, \quad \vec{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

generates a well-known sequence of numbers.

Use a diagonalization to find a matrix equation that gives the n^{th} number in this sequence.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 4 & 16 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ -2 & -2 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\lambda_1 = 1$ $A - I = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 4 & 16 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 \\ -2 & -2 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$ @ basis for $\lambda_1 = 1$ eigenspace

$\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

See Mult. 1.

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\lambda_2 = 3$ $A - 3I = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 & 16 \\ 2 & 2 & 8 \\ -2 & -2 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$

$\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $\vec{x} = r \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

a basis for $\lambda_2 = 3$ eigenspace is

$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & -4 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$A = PDP^{-1}$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{pmatrix} \text{ Stochastic}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \lambda_1 = 1 & v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \lambda_2 = .5 & v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \lambda_3 = 0 & v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$A^k \vec{x}_0 = \vec{x}_n$$

$$A^k \stackrel{?}{=} (PDP^{-1})^k$$

$$D^k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & .5^k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0^k \end{pmatrix} = \cancel{PDP^{-1}} \cancel{PDP^{-1}} \cancel{PDP^{-1}} \dots \cancel{PDP^{-1}}$$

$$\approx \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{k \gg 1} = PD^k P^{-1} \text{ easy!}$$

Additional Example (if time permits)

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$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad F^k x_0 = x_k$$

$$x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 13 \\ 21 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, \dots$$

↳
kth value?

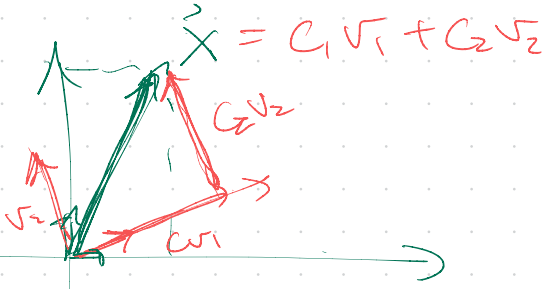
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$F^k \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} * \\ * \end{pmatrix}$$



$$A^k \vec{X} = C_1 d_1^k \vec{v}_1 + C_2 d_2^k \vec{v}_2$$

THEOREM 5**The Diagonalization Theorem**

An $n \times n$ matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if A has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

In fact, $A = PDP^{-1}$, with D a diagonal matrix, if and only if the columns of P are n linearly independent eigenvectors of A . In this case, the diagonal entries of D are eigenvalues of A that correspond, respectively, to the eigenvectors in P .

EXAMPLE 4 Diagonalize the following matrix, if possible.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 3 \\ -4 & -6 & -3 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

THEOREM 6

An $n \times n$ matrix with n distinct eigenvalues is diagonalizable.

THEOREM 7

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix whose distinct eigenvalues are $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p$.

- For $1 \leq k \leq p$, the dimension of the eigenspace for λ_k is less than or equal to the multiplicity of the eigenvalue λ_k .
- The matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if the sum of the dimensions of the eigenspaces equals n , and this happens if and only if (i) the characteristic polynomial factors completely into linear factors and (ii) the dimension of the eigenspace for each λ_k equals the multiplicity of λ_k .
- If A is diagonalizable and B_k is a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to λ_k for each k , then the total collection of vectors in the sets B_1, \dots, B_p forms an eigenvector basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

5.3 EXERCISES

In Exercises 1 and 2, let $A = PDP^{-1}$ and compute A^4 .

$$1. P = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2. P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

In Exercises 3 and 4, use the factorization $A = PDP^{-1}$ to compute A^k , where k represents an arbitrary positive integer.

$$3. \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 3(a-b) & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$4. \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 12 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

In Exercises 5 and 6, the matrix A is factored in the form PDP^{-1} . Use the Diagonalization Theorem to find the eigenvalues of A and a basis for each eigenspace.

$$5. \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/4 & 1/2 & 1/4 \\ 1/4 & 1/2 & -3/4 \\ 1/4 & -1/2 & 1/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$6. \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonalize the matrices in Exercises 7–20, if possible. The eigenvalues for Exercises 11–16 are as follows: (11) $\lambda = 1, 2, 3$; (12) $\lambda = 2, 8$; (13) $\lambda = 5, 1$; (14) $\lambda = 5, 4$; (15) $\lambda = 3, 1$; (16) $\lambda = 2, 1$. For Exercise 18, one eigenvalue is $\lambda = 5$ and one eigenvector is $(-2, 1, 2)$.

$$7. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 6 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$8. \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$9. \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$10. \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$11. \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 & -2 \\ -3 & 4 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$12. \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$13. \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$14. \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$15. \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 4 & 16 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ -2 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$16. \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -4 & -6 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$17. \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$18. \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -16 & 4 \\ 6 & 13 & -2 \\ 12 & 16 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$19. \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$20. \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

In Exercises 21 and 22, A , B , P , and D are $n \times n$ matrices. Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer. (Study Theorems 5 and 6 and the examples in this section carefully before you try these exercises.)

- A is diagonalizable if $A = PDP^{-1}$ for some matrix D and some invertible matrix P .
 - If \mathbb{R}^n has a basis of eigenvectors of A , then A is diagonalizable.
 - A is diagonalizable if and only if A has n eigenvalues, counting multiplicities.
 - If A is diagonalizable, then A is invertible.
- A is diagonalizable if A has n eigenvectors.
 - If A is diagonalizable, then A has n distinct eigenvalues.
 - If $AP = PD$, with D diagonal, then the nonzero columns of P must be eigenvectors of A .
 - If A is invertible, then A is diagonalizable.
- A is a 5×5 matrix with two eigenvalues. One eigenspace is three-dimensional, and the other eigenspace is two-dimensional. Is A diagonalizable? Why?

24. A is a 3×3 matrix with two eigenvalues. Each eigenspace is one-dimensional. Is A diagonalizable? Why?
25. A is a 4×4 matrix with three eigenvalues. One eigenspace is one-dimensional, and one of the other eigenspaces is two-dimensional. Is it possible that A is *not* diagonalizable? Justify your answer.
26. A is a 7×7 matrix with three eigenvalues. One eigenspace is two-dimensional, and one of the other eigenspaces is three-dimensional. Is it possible that A is *not* diagonalizable? Justify your answer.
27. Show that if A is both diagonalizable and invertible, then so is A^{-1} .
28. Show that if A has n linearly independent eigenvectors, then so does A^T . [Hint: Use the Diagonalization Theorem.]
29. A factorization $A = PDP^{-1}$ is not unique. Demonstrate this for the matrix A in Example 2. With $D_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$, use the information in Example 2 to find a matrix P_1 such that $A = P_1 D_1 P_1^{-1}$.
30. With A and D as in Example 2, find an invertible P_2 unequal to the P in Example 2, such that $A = P_2 D P_2^{-1}$.
31. Construct a nonzero 2×2 matrix that is invertible but not diagonalizable.
32. Construct a nondiagonal 2×2 matrix that is diagonalizable but not invertible.

[M] Diagonalize the matrices in Exercises 33–36. Use your matrix program's eigenvalue command to find the eigenvalues, and then compute bases for the eigenspaces as in Section 5.1.

$$33. \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 4 & 0 & 9 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 & 6 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 4 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad 34. \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 13 & 8 & 4 \\ 4 & 9 & 8 & 4 \\ 8 & 6 & 12 & 8 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$35. \begin{bmatrix} 11 & -6 & 4 & -10 & -4 \\ -3 & 5 & -2 & 4 & 1 \\ -8 & 12 & -3 & 12 & 4 \\ 1 & 6 & -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 8 & -18 & 8 & -14 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$