

5.3: Diagonalization

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

goal \Rightarrow find P and D

Example: $D = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

$$D^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (-2)^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D^3 = DD^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (-2)^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (-2)^3 & 0 \\ 0 & 5^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow D^k = \begin{bmatrix} (-2)^k & 0 \\ 0 & 5^k \end{bmatrix}$$

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 14 \\ -7 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find A^k

given $A = PDP^{-1}$

where $D = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ and $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^2 = (PDP^{-1})(PDP^{-1}) = PD^2P^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (-2)^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = (PDP^{-1})A^2 = PDP^{-1}PD^2P^{-1} = PD^3P^{-1}$$

$$A^k = PD^kP^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (-2)^k & 0 \\ 0 & 5^k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -(-2)^k + 2 \cdot 5^k & (-2)^{k+1} + 2 \cdot 5^k \\ (-2)^k - 5^k & -(-2)^{k+1} - 5^k \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonalizable

Matrix A ($n \times n$) is diagonalizable if

\forall we can find P & D , where P is invertible
(set of solutions) and D is a diagonal matrix, such that

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

The Diagonalization Theorem

an $n \times n$ matrix A is diagonalizable iff
 A has n linearly independent eigenvectors

note: the eigenvalues of A are what we
place along the diagonal of D

Example:

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

if possible,

diagonalize A .

Step 1: Find the eigenvalues of A

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 3 \\ 4 & -1-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$0 = (2-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) - 12 = \lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = (\lambda - 5)(\lambda + 2)$$

$$\text{So } \lambda = 5, -2$$

Step 2: Find 2 lin. indep. eigenvectors of A

$$\lambda = 5 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = v_1$$

$$\lambda = -2 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = v_2$$

Step 3: make P

$$P = [v_1 \ v_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 4: make D

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A = P D P^{-1} + I, \quad D = X$$

Example

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

Step 1:

$$0 = \begin{vmatrix} 4-\lambda & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 5-\lambda & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 5-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (4-\lambda)(5-\lambda)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 4, 5$$

↑ multi = 2

Step 2:

$$\lambda = 4 \quad A \cdot \bar{x} = 4\bar{x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad z = 0 \quad \& \quad y = -2x$$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 5 \quad A \bar{x} = 5\bar{x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = -2z$$

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 3

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = [v_1, v_2, v_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 4

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Thm

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

Example: Is A diagonalizable?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

the eigenvalues of a triangular matrix is $\lambda = 4, -3, 1$

\Rightarrow 3 distinct eigenvalues

So A is diagonalizable

Non-distinct Eigenvalues

A is $n \times n$

if A has n distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$
with corresponding eigenvectors v_1, \dots, v_n
 $\Rightarrow P = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_n]$ is automatically
invertible

if A has $r < n$ distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$
if A is diagonalizable, we can
still build P to be invertible

Thm:

A is $n \times n$ and its distinct eigenvalues

are $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$ where $r < n$

(a) for k (where $1 \leq k \leq r$), the dimension
of the eigenspace of λ_k is less than
or equal to the multiplicity of λ_k

(b) A is diagonalizable iff the sum of
the dimensions of the distinct eigenspaces
equals n . Note, this will only happen
if dimension of the eigenspace of λ_k
is the multiplicity of λ_k (for each
distinct eigenvalue of A)

(c) If A diagonalizable and B_k is a basis
for the eigenspace of λ_k for each k ,
then (all the vectors in B_1, B_2, \dots, B_r
form an eigenvector basis of \mathbb{R}^n)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_r \end{bmatrix} = P^{-1} A P$$

\uparrow
eigenvectors



ex: Diagonalize $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

1) eigenvalues are $\lambda = 5, -3$

2) $\lambda = 5: A\bar{x} = 5\bar{x}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5a \\ 5b \\ 5c \\ 5d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} 5a = 5a \\ 5b = 5b \\ a + 4b - 3c = 5c \\ -a - 2b - 3d = 5d \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -3 & 0 & 5c \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 & 5d \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a + 4b = 8c \\ a + 2b = -8d \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = -2b - 8d \\ 2b = 8c + 8d \end{cases}$$

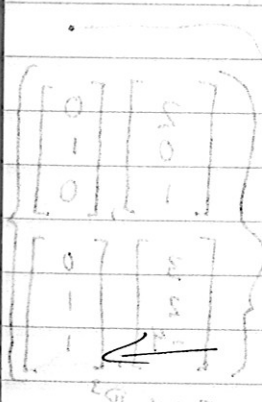
$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = -8c - 16d \\ b = 4c + 4d \end{cases}$$

make sure they're linearly independent

in parametric vector form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -8c - 16d \\ 4c + 4d \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} c + \begin{bmatrix} -16 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} d$$

$\parallel v_1$ $\parallel v_2$



$$\underline{\lambda = -3}$$

$$A\bar{x} = -3\bar{x}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3a \\ -3b \\ -3c \\ -3d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} 5a = -3a \Rightarrow a = 0 \\ 5b = -3b \Rightarrow b = 0 \\ a + 4b - 3c = -3c \Rightarrow -3c = -3c \\ -a - 2b - 3d = -3d \Rightarrow -3d = -3d \end{cases}$$

$$\boxed{a = b = 0}$$

and c & d can be any thing

$$v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3) P = [v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3 \ v_4]$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -8 & -16 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

4)

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Application: Compute A^{20}

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