

Math 214 Chapter 7 Notes and Homework

Eigenvalues, Eigenvectors

7.1: Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

- Review: $A \in M_{n \times n}$ and (nonzero) $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
 - x is an **eigenvector** of A if $Ax = \lambda x$
 - λ is an **eigenvalue**
 - Geometrically, what are eigenvalues/vectors?
- **Characteristic Polynomial**: $\det(\lambda I - A)$
 - Why is this determinant called a "polynomial"?
 - What is the degree of this polynomial?
- **Characteristic Equation**: $\det(\lambda I - A) = 0$
 - At most how many solutions can the characteristic equation have?
 - Why does solving this give us the eigenvalues?
- **Eigenspace** of A corresponding to λ : $\{x \mid Ax = \lambda x\}$
 - How is this a null space problem?
 - Why do we know the eigenspace is a subspace?
 - Note: Separate eigenspace for each eigenvalue



Triangular Matrices

- **Example 3**: Find the eigenvalues of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} & a_{34} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{44} \end{bmatrix}$$

- **Thm 7.1.2**:
 - In general, what can we say about eigenvalues of triangular matrices?

Powers of a Matrix

- **Thm 7.1.3**:
 - Given λ is an eigenvalue of A and x is a corresponding eigenvector, what can we say about eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A^2 ?
 - What can we say about eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A^k ?
- **Examples 5 and 6**:
 - Find the eigenvalues and bases for the eigenspaces for A

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
 - Find the eigenvalues of A^7

Adding to Equivalent Statements

- **Thm 7.1.4:** A is invertible iff $\lambda = 0$ is not an eigenvalue of A.
 - Alternative Proof from Book:
 - Show the contrapositive
 - ie: $\lambda = 0$ is an eigenvalue iff A is not invertible

- **Example 7:** Based on our findings earlier, is A invertible?

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7.2: Diagonalization

- The Matrix Diagonalization Problem
 - **Question 1:** Given a matrix A, does there exist a basis for \mathbb{R}^n consisting of eigenvectors of A?
 - **Question 2:** Given a matrix A, does there exist an invertible matrix P such that $P^{-1}AP$ is diagonal?
 - A is called **diagonalizable** if there is an invertible matrix P such that $P^{-1}AP$ is diagonal. P **diagonalizes** A.
- **Thm 7.2.1:** If A is $n \times n$, TFAE
 - A is diagonalizable
 - A has n linearly independent eigenvectors.
- Thm 7.2.1 establishes the equivalence of Questions 1 and 2

Proof of Theorem 7.2.1

- **Thm 7.2.1:** If A is $n \times n$, TFAE
 - A is diagonalizable
 - A has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

Procedure for Diagonalizing

- Procedure (Suggested by Proof of 7.2.1)
 - Find roots of characteristic polynomial
 - Note: If roots are not real, A is not diagonalizable
 - For each eigenvalue, find a basis for the corresponding eigenspace
 - Note: If $\dim(\text{eigenspace}) < \text{multiplicity of eigenvalue}$, A is not diagonalizable.
 - P = matrix whose columns are the n linearly independent eigenvectors.
 - D = $P^{-1}AP$

- **Example 1:** Diagonalize A, if possible

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda = 2: \mathbf{p}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{p}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda = 1: \mathbf{p}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Computing Powers of a Matrix

- Main Application to Diagonalization
 - Suppose A is diagonalizable
 - $D = P^{-1}AP$
 - $A^k =$ _____

- **Example 6:** Find A^{13}

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

A Non-Example

- Determine if A is diagonalizable.

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

Some of the Theory

- **Thm 7.2.2:** If $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$ are eigenvectors of A corresponding to distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$, then $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$ is linearly independent.
 - Proof by induction on k

- **Thm 7.2.3:** If an $n \times n$ matrix A has n distinct eigenvalues, then A is diagonalizable.
- Note: The eigenvalues are in the same positions on the diagonal matrix as the corresponding eigenvectors on P.

Fibonacci: A Non-Recursive Formula

- Fibonacci Sequence: 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, ...
 - $a_1 = a_2 = 1$
 - What is the recursive formula for a_n ?
- Find a matrix, A , that you can multiply to $[a_{n+1} \ a_n]^T$ to get $[a_{n+2} \ a_{n+1}]^T$.
- **HW:** Find the Non-Recursive Formula
 1. Find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors for A
 - Note: Your answer will contain square roots of 5
 2. Diagonalize A
 3. Use the diagonal form to find A^n ;
 4. Use A^n to find the 21st term in the Fibonacci sequence.
 - You should get 10946

Math 214 Markov Chains
and Game Theory

Repeated Games

Bargaining: Game Theory

- Defender has appropriate prize
- Challenger is demanding a share under threat of costly action
- These games can be solved using Markov Chains

<http://userwww.sfsu.edu/~langlois/Appendix%20Two.pdf>

Markov Chains

- A **Markov chain** is a process in which the probability of the system being in a particular state at a given time depends only on its state at the immediately preceding time.
- States on Preceding Example
 - Status Quo II (SQ), War (WR), Submit (SB)
- Player moves in game theory are characterized by probabilities, so there are probabilities associated with being in any state, starting from a given state

Transition Matrix

	Preceding State			
	SQ	WR	SB	
	[—	—	—
	—	—	—] SQ
	—	—	—] WR
	—	—	—] SB
				New State

- Let $P = [p_{ij}] =$ Transition Matrix of a Markov Chain.
- Then
 - p_{ij} = Probability of arriving in state i from state j
 - $0 \leq p_{ij} \leq 1$
 - Each column sums to 1
- Unfortunately, solving games requires a bit more probability than is required for this course.
 - Instead, we'll take a closer look at Markov chains

State Vector

- If P is a transition matrix, $x^{(n)}$ is the state vector at n^{th} observation
 - $x^{(n+1)} = Px^{(n)}$
- Initial State Vector: $x^{(0)}$
 - State vector at the beginning of time
- Hence (Thm 11.6.1)
 - $x^{(n)} = Px^{(n-1)} = P^2x^{(n-2)} = \dots = P^n x^{(0)}$
 - We will apply methods of 7.2 to find P^n .

Experiment

- Write down which computer you used most recently and which computer you used before that.
- There are only three computers and nine choices:
 - H – (at home, your own PC or lap-top),
 - C – (one of the computers on-campus) or
 - O – (other).

	Past	H	C	O
Recent				
H				
C				
O				

► **Ex:** Find the transition matrix and the initial state vector.

Steady-State Vector

- The Big Question
 - What happens as the number of observations increases? Does the Markov chain approach a resting point or **equilibrium**?
- **Steady-State Vector**
 - Vector q such that $Pq = q$
 - **Q1:** If a Markov chain has a steady-state vector, what eigenvalue does P have?
 - **Q2:** How can we find q (there are 2 ways)?
 - Keep in mind that q must be a probability vector (ie: entries are nonnegative and sum to 1)

Steady-State: An Example

- Customers shop either at A or B
 - If a customer shops at A one day, then the customer will shop at A the next day with probability 4/5.
 - If a customer shops at B one day, then the customer will shop at B the next day with probability 1/3.
1. Find the steady-state vector.
 2. Over the long term, what are the chances that a customer shops at A on any given day?

7.3: Orthogonal Diagonalization

- Orthogonal Diagonalization Problem
 - Given a matrix A
 - Q1: Does there exist an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n under the Euclidean inner product that consists of eigenvectors of A?
 - Q2: Does there exist an orthogonal matrix P such that $P^{-1}AP = P^TAP$ is diagonal?
 - If yes, then A is called **orthogonally diagonalizable**.
- **Thm 7.3.1:** If A is $n \times n$, TFAE
 - a) A is orthogonally diagonalizable
 - b) A has an orthonormal set of n eigenvectors.
 - c) A is symmetric

Orthogonal Diagonalizability and Symmetric Matrices

- **Thm 7.3.2:** If A is symmetric, then
 - a) The eigenvalues of A are real numbers
 - b) Eigenvectors from different eigenspaces are orthogonal.
- Procedure for Orthogonally Diagonalizing
 1. Find basis for each eigenspace
 2. Apply Gram-Schmidt
 3. Form P

Orthogonal Diagonalization: Example

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

- $\lambda_1 = -2, \lambda_2 = -2, \lambda_3 = 4$
- $\mathbf{u}_1 = [-1 \ 1 \ 0]^T; \mathbf{u}_2 = [-1 \ 0 \ 1]^T; \mathbf{u}_3 = [1 \ 1 \ 1]^T$
- Apply Gram-Schmidt

Homework

- 7.1: #1(d), 2(d), 3(d), 4(a), 5(a), 6(a), 7(a), 8(a), 10(c), 12, 13(b,c), 20, 21, 22(a,b)
- 7.2: #1, 2, 5, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 19
- HW #1-4 From Slide "Fibonacci: A Non-Recursive Formula"
- 11.6: #1, 3(c), 4(b – find P^n and find the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$), 7, 8
 - Disregard need to show regular on all problems
- 7.3: #1(a, c, d, e), 3, 5, 6, 7, 11