

MA 26500 (FALL 2023, SEC: 704)

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FROM THE TEXTBOOK

(LAY, LAY, McDONALD, 6th ed.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS / NOTES

1. NO CLASS ON WEDNESDAY. FRIDAY CLASS ALSO ON ZOOM.

2. NO OFFICE HOURS OR H.W. THIS WEEK

I PLEASE WORK ON H.W. NOW ANYWAY!

3. RECORDING OF CLASS WILL BE UPLOADED.

4. TRY TO KEEP VIDEOS ON.

5.1 EIGENVECTORS & EIGENVALUES

EXAMPLE 1 Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$A\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{Not } \propto \vec{u}.$$

$$?? A\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2\vec{v}$$

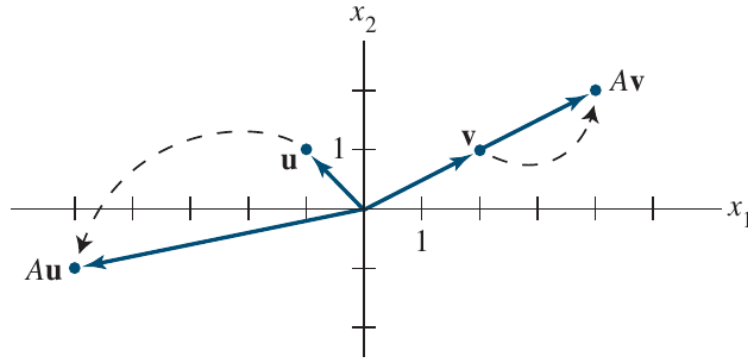


FIGURE 1 Effects of multiplication by A .

MATRIX ONLY SCALES EIGENVECTOR
 \rightarrow NO CHANGE IN DIRECTION

DEFINITION

An **eigenvector** of an $n \times n$ matrix A is a **nonzero** vector \mathbf{x} such that $A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$ for some scalar λ . A scalar λ is called an **eigenvalue** of A if there is a nontrivial solution \mathbf{x} of $A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$; such an \mathbf{x} is called an *eigenvector corresponding to λ* .¹

NOT ALLOWING
 $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$!

NOTES : ① NON-TRIVIAL?

② EIGENVALUES CAN BE ZERO

$$\text{e.g. } A\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2\vec{v}$$

\vec{v} IS AN EIGENVECTOR / λ EIGENVALUE λ .

EXAMPLE 2 Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$. Are \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} eigenvectors of A ?

$$A\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -24 \\ 20 \end{bmatrix} = -4 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{NOT AN E.V.}$$

\vec{u} IS AN EIGENVECTOR OF A WITH EIGENVALUE -4 .

EXAMPLE 3 Show that 7 is an eigenvalue of matrix A in Example 2, and find the corresponding eigenvectors.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 7$$

IS AN
EIGENVALUE.

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \vec{x} = 7 \vec{x}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 7 \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + 6x_2 \\ 5x_1 + 2x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7x_1 \\ 7x_2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -6x_1 + 6x_2 \\ -2x_1 + 2x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

3 x (EQN 2)

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow -6x_1 + 6x_2 &= 0 \\ -2x_1 + 2x_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{-2x_1 + 2x_2 = 0}$$

↑
(1, 1)

$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ IS EIGENVECTOR FOR $\lambda = 7$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = 7 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

GIVEN (A, λ)

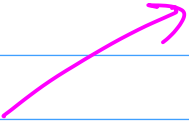
$$A \vec{x} = \lambda x$$

$$\Rightarrow A \vec{x} = (\lambda I) \vec{x}$$

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

SYSTEM TO SOLVE $\rightarrow \left[A - \lambda I \mid \vec{0} \right]$

NEED ONLY ONE
NON-TRIVIAL SOLN.



OBSERVE: IF (\vec{v}, λ) IS AN EIGENPAIR, THEN SO IS $(k\vec{v}, \lambda)$ FOR ANY NON-ZERO SCALAR k .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 14 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix} = 7 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A(k\vec{v}) = k[A\vec{v}] = k[\lambda\vec{v}] = \lambda[k\vec{v}]$$

$\{k\vec{v} : k \in \mathbb{R}\} \rightarrow \text{Span}\{\vec{v}\} \rightarrow$ SUBSPACE OF \mathbb{R}^n

IN FACT, FOR AN $n \times n$ MATRIX WITH
EIGENVALUE λ ,
FORMS THE SET OF EIGENVECTORS

SUBSPACE

EIGENSPACE (OF A ,
CORRESPONDING TO
 λ)



$(A, \lambda) \rightarrow$ FIXED

ALL SOLNS. OF $A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$



ALL SOLNS. OF $(A - \lambda I)\vec{x} = \vec{0} \Leftrightarrow \vec{x} \in \text{NUL}(A - \lambda I)$

∴ AFTER FINDING AN EIGENVALUE, THE EIGENSPACE IS A ROW-REDUCTION PROBLEM!

EXAMPLE 4 Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$. An eigenvalue of A is 2. Find a basis for the corresponding eigenspace.

$$\lambda = 2 \quad (A - 2I)\vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

$$\left[A - \lambda I \mid \vec{0} \right]$$

$$A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$
 $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$2x_1 - x_2 + 6x_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{1}{2}x_2 - 3x_3$$

BOUND : x_1

FREE : x_2, x_3

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}x_2 - 3x_3 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= x_2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{EIGENSPACE} &= \text{NULLSPACE} &= \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ \text{OF } \lambda = 2 &\text{ OF } A - 2I & \begin{matrix} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \text{e.v.} & \text{e.v.} \end{matrix} \end{aligned}$$

WHAT DOES IT MEAN IF λ IS AN EIGENVALUE?



$$\exists \vec{x} \text{ s.t. } A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{(A - \lambda I)}_B \vec{x} = \vec{0} \quad \text{HAS A NON-TRIVIAL SOLN}$$

Q. WHEN DOES $B\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ HAVE A NON-TRIVIAL SOLN.?

A. $\det B = 0 \iff \text{RANK}(B) < n.$

\therefore IF λ IS AN EIGENVALUE $\implies \det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

DETOUR :

§ 5.2 THE CHARACTERISTIC EQUATION

A scalar λ is an eigenvalue of an $n \times n$ matrix A if and only if λ satisfies the characteristic equation

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

EXAMPLE 1 Find the eigenvalues of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & -6-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & -6-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (2-\lambda)(-6-\lambda) - 3 \times 3 = \lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 21$$

\therefore IF λ IS AN EIGENVALUE,

$$\lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 21 = 0$$

$$(\lambda + 7)(\lambda - 3) = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda = -7 \quad \text{OR} \quad \lambda = 3.$$

RECALL:

THEOREM 3

Properties of Determinants

Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices.

- A is invertible if and only if $\det A \neq 0$.
- $\det AB = (\det A)(\det B)$.
- $\det A^T = \det A$.
- If A is triangular, then $\det A$ is the product of the entries on the main diagonal of A .
- A row replacement operation on A does not change the determinant. A row interchange changes the sign of the determinant. A row scaling also scales the determinant by the same scalar factor.

EXAMPLE 3 Find the characteristic equation of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 & 6 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 5-\lambda & -2 & 6 & -1 \\ 0 & 3-\lambda & -8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5-\lambda & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (5-\lambda)^2 (3-\lambda)(1-\lambda)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 5 \text{ (TWICE)}, \lambda = 3, \lambda = 1$$

FACT: IF A IS TRIANGULAR,
THEN THE DIAGONAL ENTRIES
ARE THE EIGENVALUES.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (a_{11} - \lambda)(a_{22} - \lambda) \cdots (a_{nn} - \lambda)$$

WARNING !! \rightarrow NOT TRUE IF NON-TRIANGULAR.

($A \rightarrow n \times n$ MATRIX)

FACT: $\det(A - \lambda I)$ IS A POLYNOMIAL OF DEGREE n .

\rightarrow CHARACTERISTIC POLYNOMIAL $\rightarrow P(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$

\rightarrow (ALGEBRAIC) MULTIPLICITY.

\hookrightarrow IF λ IS A ZERO OF $\det(A - \lambda I)$ W/ MULTIPLICITY.

REMARK: # OF EIGENVALUES W/ MULTIPLICITY $\leq n$.