

- Discussion of similar matrices, eigenvalues, eigenvectors, pages 1-2 Wed notes

- Extended discussion of § 7.3 #38:

Theorem Let $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ where A is an orthogonal matrix $(\Leftrightarrow \|\vec{x}\| = \|A\vec{x}\| \forall \vec{x})$
 $(\Leftrightarrow A^T = A^{-1})$
 $(\Leftrightarrow \text{cols of } A \text{ are orthonormal})$

Recall $A^T A = I \Rightarrow \det A = \pm 1$.

In case $\det A = +1$ there is an axis $\vec{v} \neq 0$ so that
 $A\vec{v} = \vec{v}$

and A is rotation about this axis

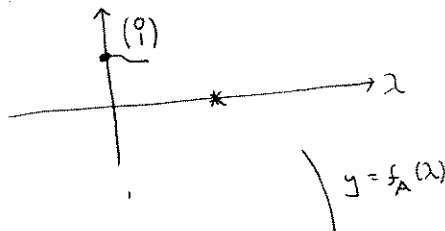
In case $\det A = -1$ there is an "axis" $\vec{v} \neq 0$ so that
 $A\vec{v} = -\vec{v}$

and A is the composition of rotation about this axis,
 with reflection through the subspace (plane) \perp to \vec{v} .

proof: $p_\lambda(A) = |A - \lambda I| = -\lambda^3 + \text{trace}(A)\lambda^2 - (|A_{1,1}| + |A_{2,2}| + |A_{3,3}|)\lambda + |A|$

book's notation: $f_A(\lambda) \rightarrow f_A(0) = |A| = 1$

$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} f_A(\lambda) = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} -\lambda^3 \left[1 + \frac{c_1}{\lambda} - \frac{c_2}{\lambda^2} + \frac{c_3}{\lambda^3} \right] = -\infty$



By the intermediate value theorem for continuous functions, $\exists \lambda_1$ s.t. $f_A(\lambda_1) = |A - \lambda_1 I| = 0$.

$0 < \lambda_1 < \infty$. Let \vec{v} be an eigenvector for λ_1

But A is orthogonal so

$\|A\vec{v}\| = \|\vec{v}\|$
 $\| \lambda_1 \vec{v} \|$
 $\lambda_1 \|\vec{v}\|$

So $\lambda_1 = 1!$ (This would finish #38).

And $A\vec{v} = \lambda_1 \vec{v}$.

Now, construct an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 , $\{\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \vec{w}_3\} = \mathcal{B}$

with $\vec{w}_1 = \frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|}$ and \vec{w}_2, \vec{w}_3 a basis for $(\text{span}\{\vec{v}\})^\perp$, i.e. the plane thru origin $\perp \vec{v}$

$$A\vec{w}_1 = \vec{w}_1$$

Let B be the matrix for $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ w.r.t. \mathcal{B}

$$B = S^{-1}AS$$

But $S = S_{\mathcal{E} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = [\vec{w}_1 | \vec{w}_2 | \vec{w}_3]$ is orthogonal, so $S^{-1} = S^T$

$\Rightarrow B = S^TAS$ is also an orthogonal matrix, since

also, $|B| = |A| = +1$

$$B^T B = (S^TAS)^T (S^TAS) = I!$$
$$= S^T \underbrace{A^T (S^T)^T}_{I} S^T A S$$
$$= \underbrace{S^T A^T}_{I} S^T A S$$
$$= I$$

$$B = \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} [T(\vec{w}_1)]_{\mathcal{B}} & [T(\vec{w}_2)]_{\mathcal{B}} & [T(\vec{w}_3)]_{\mathcal{B}} \\ \hline \hline \hline \end{array} \right]$$
$$= \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & & \\ \hline 0 & ? & ? \\ \hline 0 & & \end{array} \right]$$

B orthogonal $\Rightarrow B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & -b \\ 0 & b & a \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & -b \\ 0 & b & a \end{bmatrix}$, $a^2 + b^2 = 1$, $\det B = +1$, so this rules out other possibility $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ b & -a \end{bmatrix}$

a rotation by α around \vec{v} !

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

Find the axis & rotation angle!

Def. $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ is an eigenbasis for A if each \vec{v}_i is an eigenvector of A , and if $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

Def A is called diagonalizable if it is similar to a diagonal matrix, i.e.

\exists invertible matrix S s.t.

$$B = S^{-1}AS$$

is a diagonal matrix

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Notice, A is diagonalizable if and only if it has an eigenbasis:

• If $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\} = B$ is an eigenbasis, then

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

$$B = [T]_B = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} = S^{-1}AS$$

" "
 $\begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \end{bmatrix}$

• If $B = S^{-1}AS$

" "
 $\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$... then $SB = AS$

so $\text{col}_j(SB) = \text{col}_j(AS) = A \text{col}_j(S)$

" "
 $S \text{col}_j(B)$
 $\text{col}_j(S)$ // so the columns of S are an eigenbasis.

Theorem (for Monday!)

let $|A - \lambda I| = \pm (\lambda - \lambda_1)^{k_1} (\lambda - \lambda_2)^{k_2} \dots (\lambda - \lambda_l)^{k_l}$

$k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_l = n$
 λ_i 's distinct.

• Then $\dim(E_{\lambda_i}) \leq k_i \quad i=1, 2, \dots, l$

(geom. mult \leq alg mult.)

• A is diagonalizable iff $\dim(E_{\lambda_i}) = k_i \quad i=1, 2, \dots, l$

And in this case, an eigenbasis for A may be constructed by amalgamating bases for each E_{λ_i} .
 (such a collection of n eigenvectors will always be linearly ind., hence a basis for \mathbb{R}^n)