

Math 2280-1
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Bonus day!

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Jordan Canonical form, "chains",
and e^{At} when A is not
diagonalizable.

Recall from 2270

- If V is a finite dimensional vector space

with basis $\{\tilde{v}_1, \tilde{v}_2, \dots, \tilde{v}_n\} = \beta$
and if $v = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \tilde{v}_i$ then $\tilde{c} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$ is called the word vector for v, wrt β ;
we write $[v]_{\beta} = \tilde{c}$.

If $L: V \rightarrow V$ is linear the matrix $[L]_{\beta}$
for L wrt β has the property that

$$[L]_{\beta} [v]_{\beta} = [Lv]_{\beta}$$

$$\text{so } \text{col}_j [L]_{\beta} = [Lv_j]_{\beta}$$

If $\{w_1, \dots, w_n\} = \gamma$ is another basis for V, then

$$[L]_{\gamma} = S^{-1} [L]_{\beta} S \quad \text{where } S \text{ is the change of basis matrix, } S = S_{\beta \leftarrow \gamma}$$

$$\text{i.e. } S[v]_{\gamma} = [v]_{\beta}$$

- If A, B are matrices,

they are similar iff $B = S^{-1}AS$

for some invertible matrix S.

two matrices are similar iff they represent the same linear transformation,
but with respect to two different bases.

Since eigenspaces (and generalized eigenspaces) can be defined in terms of the operator L rather than the particular matrix representing it, geometric data such as

$$\dim(\ker(L - \lambda_j I)), \quad \dim(\text{range}(L - \lambda_j I)^{\ell}) \quad \text{can be computed using any matrix which represents L.}$$

- Our convention will be to use A to represent $L\vec{x} = A\vec{x}$ with respect to the standard basis $\{\tilde{e}_1, \tilde{e}_2, \dots, \tilde{e}_n\}$ and to use other letters for similar matrices $B = S^{-1}AS$, which represent $[L]_{\{\text{cols of } S\}}$.

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Theorem 1 (Let $|A - \lambda I| = (-1)^n (\lambda - \lambda_1)^{k_1} \cdots (\lambda - \lambda_m)^{k_m}$)

$$\sum_{j=1}^m k_j = n$$

$$\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j \text{ unless } i=j$$

- Then the generalized eigenspace

$$G_{\lambda_j} = \ker(A - \lambda_j I)^{k_j}$$

has $\dim(G_{\lambda_j}) = k_j$. Furthermore, $A: G_{\lambda_j} \rightarrow G_{\lambda_j}$.

- Amalgamating bases of each G_{λ_j} yields a basis of \mathbb{C}^n .

So the matrix of A with respect to this amalgamated basis is block diagonal

$$[A]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} & & \\ \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 & \lambda_m \\ & & \end{bmatrix}$$

B₁ B₂ B_m

B_j = [A] restricted to G_{λ_j} ,
wrt a G_{λ_j} basis

Lemma 1 Let $\{\tilde{v}_1, \tilde{v}_2, \dots, \tilde{v}_l\}$ be a chain of length l , i.e.

$$(A - \lambda_j I) v_2 = v_{l-1}$$

Then $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_l\}$ are linearly independent.

$$(A - \lambda_j I)^2 v_2 = (A - \lambda_j I) v_{l-1} = v_{l-2}$$

⋮

$$(A - \lambda_j I) v_2 = v_1 \neq 0$$

$$(A - \lambda_j I)^l v_2 = (A - \lambda_j I) v_1 = 0$$

Proof: $c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_l v_l = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 = 0$

$(A - \lambda_j I): c_2 v_1 + c_3 v_2 + \dots + c_l v_{l-1} = 0$

⋮

$(A - \lambda_j I)^{l-1}: c_2 v_1 = 0 \Rightarrow c_2 = 0$ ■

Lemma 2 If $(A - \lambda_j I)^l v = 0$ for some v , then in fact $(A - \lambda_j I)^{k_j} v = 0$, i.e. $v \in G_{\lambda_j}$.

Proof If $l \leq k_j$ there is nothing to show. So assume $l > k_j$.

set $v = v_l$, and construct the chain $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_l\}$ as in Lemma 1.

Complete this to a basis for \mathbb{C}^n , $\{v_1, \dots, v_l, w_{l+1}, \dots, w_n\} = \beta$

Then $[A]_{\beta} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_j & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \lambda_j & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & \lambda_j \\ & & & & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ mess} \right\}$

so $|\begin{bmatrix} A & -\lambda I \\ \beta & \end{bmatrix}| = |A - \lambda I|$

$(\lambda - \lambda_j)^l p_{n-l}(\lambda)$

Thus $l \leq k_j$ since the $(\lambda - \lambda_j)$ factor in the charact poly for A has power k_j ■

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proof of theorem 1. Let $\lambda_j = \lambda_1$ by choice of numbering.

$$\text{Let } V = \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1} = G_{\lambda_1},$$

$$W = \text{range}(A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1}$$

Let $\dim V = s$. Then by rank-nullity theorem, $\dim W = n-s$

We claim

- $A: V \rightarrow V$ proof: if $(A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1} v = 0$ then $(A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1} Av = A(A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1} v = A0 = 0$.
- $A: W \rightarrow W$ proof: if $w = (A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1} v$ then $Aw = A(A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1} v = (A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1}(Av) \in \text{range}(A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1}$
- $V \cap W = \{0\}$ proof: let $v_1 = (A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1} v_2$ We show $v_1 = 0$:
with $v_1, v_2 \in V$. $(A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1} v_1 = 0$ by defn of V
 $\therefore (A - \lambda_1 I)^{2k_1} v_2 = 0$.
 $\therefore (A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1} v_2 = 0$ by
|| Lemma 2
 v_1 ■

Therefore, if $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_s\}$, $\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{n-s}\}$ are bases for V, W

then $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_s, w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{n-s}\}$ is an independent set

so is a basis for \mathbb{C}^n ($c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_s v_s + d_1 w_1 + d_2 w_2 + \dots + d_{n-s} w_{n-s} = 0 \Rightarrow c_i = 0, d_i = 0 \forall i$)

Let B be the matrix for A

w.r.t. this basis. Then by 1st
2 bullets,

$$B = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \underbrace{B_1}_{s} & \underbrace{\underbrace{\quad}_{\text{O}}}_{n-s} \\ \hline \underbrace{\quad}_{\text{O}} & B_2 \end{array} \right] \}^{n-s}$$

similar matrices have same charact. polys

$$|B - \lambda I| = |B_1 - \lambda I| |B_2 - \lambda I| = |A - \lambda I| = (\lambda - \lambda_1)^{k_1} \text{ (other factors w/o } (\lambda - \lambda_1) \text{ terms)}$$

$$\downarrow$$

this must be $(-1)^s (\lambda - \lambda_1)^s$

because if $\vec{z} = [v]_{\{v_1, \dots, v_s\}}$ then $[Av] = B_1 \vec{z}$

and so if $B_1 \vec{z} = \lambda \vec{z}$

then $[Av] = \lambda [v]$

so $Av = \lambda v$

so $(A - \lambda_1 I)v = (\lambda - \lambda_1)v$

and $\underbrace{(A - \lambda_1 I)^{k_1} v}_{\text{must} = 0} = (\lambda - \lambda_1)^{k_1} v$

by defn of V

so every eval of $B_1 = \lambda_1$.

Thus, by uniqueness of factorization

$$s = k_1 !$$

So $\dim G_{\lambda_1} = k_1$, $A: G_{\lambda_1} \rightarrow G_{\lambda_1}$ from first bullet

Now apply induction to the matrix B_2 ! to get the block structure
(true when $n=1$) ■■■■■

Chain structure within G_{2j} blocks:

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Theorem 2 The basis for G_{2j} may be chosen in chains, so that the basis is a union of all the vectors in all the chains.

The number of chains and their lengths are uniquely determined by the values of

$$\dim(\ker(A - \lambda_j I)^s) \quad s=1,2,\dots,k_j$$

the matrix of A w.r.t.
the chained basis
of each G_{2j} is
called the
Jordan canonical
form

Proof: We exhibit an algorithm to construct the claimed chain structure.

Consider a block matrix A_1 , for the restriction of A to G_{2j} , as on previous page

$$B = A_1 - \lambda_j I.$$

$$\text{Then } \ker B \neq \ker B^2 \neq \dots \neq \ker B^s = \ker B^{s+1} = \dots = \ker B^{k_j} = G_{2j},$$

dimensions $d_1 < d_2 < \dots < d_s$ after λ_j , so one the rest : if $B^{s+1}v = 0 \Rightarrow B^s v = 0$

$$\text{So } \text{range } B \supset \text{range } B^2 \supset \dots \supset \text{range } B^s = 0$$

dimensions $k_j - d_1 > k_j - d_2 > \dots > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } B^{s+2}v &= 0 = B^{s+1}Bv \\ &\Rightarrow B^s Bv = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow B^s v = 0 \text{ etc.} \end{aligned}$$

Algorithm: www.numbertheory.org/jordan.html

① pick basis $\{u_1, v_1, \dots, w_1\}$ for range B^{s-1}
complete backwards to length s chains:

$$\begin{matrix} u_s & v_s & \dots & w_s \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ u_{s-1} & v_{s-1} & & w_{s-1} \\ \downarrow B & & \vdots & \downarrow \\ u_2 & v_2 & & \\ \downarrow B & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ u_1 & v_1 & w_1 & \end{matrix}$$

$$\dim = k_j - d_{s-1}$$

This collection is independent because the bottom row is, so if you set a linear combo of all = 0, apply $B^{s-1} \Rightarrow$ top row coeffs = 0 then apply $B^{s-2} \Rightarrow$ next row coeffs = 0 etc.

② The vectors u_2, v_2, w_2 are in range B^{s-2} . If they're a basis, proceed to step 3. If not, complete to a basis by adding

and complete backwards to chains of length $s-1$

So, now: $u_s \ v_s \ w_s$

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ u_{s-1} & v_{s-1} & w_{s-1} & r_{s-1} & s_{s-1} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \vdots & & ; & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ & & & r_{s-2} & s_{s-2} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ u_1 & v_1 & \dots & w_1 & r_1 \dots s_1 \end{matrix}$$

This collection is lin ind, same reason

③ the first three rows are in range B^{s-3} . If they're a basis, go to step 4. If not, complete to a basis by adding more vectors to bottom row.

Induct!

Tableaux finishes after you add eigenvectors which are not in the range of B^1 ; these are your length 1 chains



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Example Suppose $|A - \lambda I| = (\lambda - 2)^{11}(\lambda + 3)^3$ range dims

$$\text{with } \dim(\ker(A+3I)) = 2 \quad 1 \\ \dim(\ker(A+3I)^2) = 3 \quad 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\dim(\ker(A-2I)) &= 4 \\ \dim(\ker(A-2I)^2) &= 8 \\ \dim(\ker(A-2I)^3) &= 10 \\ \dim(\ker(A-2I)^4) &= 11\end{aligned}$$

range dims

Find the Jordan canonical form of A!

Find the matrix of e^{At} with respect to the chained (Jordan) basis.

$$\begin{aligned} \left[e^{At} \right] &= \begin{bmatrix} e^{-3t} \\ e^{-3t} \begin{bmatrix} 1+t \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1+t & \frac{1}{2}t & \frac{1}{6}t^2 \\ 0 & 1+t & t^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1+t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{etc.} \\ (\text{so } e^{At} = S \left[e^{At} \right] S^{-1})_{JB} & \quad \text{ans: } J = S^{-1} A S = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & & & & \\ & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ & & & & 2 & 0 \\ & & & & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ & & & & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ & & & & & 2 & 1 \\ & & & & & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ & & & & & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Playing with Jordan canonical form and matrix exponentials
#39 section 5.5

Notice how quickly we figure out what the Jordan form of A is, and then that it's somewhat more work to come up with a chain basis to transform A into that Jordan form.

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> with(linalg):
> A := matrix(4, 4, [1, 3, 3, 3,
   0, 1, 3, 3,
   0, 0, 2, 3,
   0, 0, 0, 2]);
eigenvectors(A);
A := 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

[1, 2, {[ [ 1 0 0 0 ] ]}], [2, 2, {[ [ 12 3 1 0 ] ]}]
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We know the chain structure for this small matrix immediately from the eigenvectors result! Thus we know the Jordan canonical form J without even finding the actual chains, and we know that exponential (At) is similar to exponential(Jt), which is easy to compute. But since we've got Maple running, we may as well find the chain bases:

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> iden := matrix(4, 4, [1, 0, 0, 0,
   0, 1, 0, 0,
   0, 0, 1, 0,
   0, 0, 0, 1]);
iden := 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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> kernel(A - iden);
kernel((A - iden)^2);

{[ [ 1 0 0 0 ] ]}

{[ [ 1 0 0 0 ], [ 0 1 0 0 ] ]}
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> u2 := matrix(4, 1, [0, 1, 0, 0]);
u1 := evalm((A - iden)&u2); #chain of length 2
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$$u2 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u1 := \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

$$> \text{kernel}(A - 2 \cdot \text{idem});$$

$$\text{kernel}((A - 2 \cdot \text{idem})^2);$$

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 3 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -51 & -6 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 3 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (5)$$

$$> v2 := \text{matrix}(4, 1, [-51, -6, 0, 1]);$$

$$v1 := \text{evalm}((A - 2 \cdot \text{idem}) \& \cdot v2); \# \text{chain of length 2}$$

$$v2 := \begin{bmatrix} -51 \\ -6 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v1 := \begin{bmatrix} 36 \\ 9 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$$> S := \text{augment}(u1, u2, v1, v2); \# \text{change of basis matrix}$$

$$S := \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 36 & -51 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

$$> J := \text{evalm}(S^{(-1)} \& \cdot A \& \cdot S); \# \text{Jordan canonical form explicitly as a similar matrix}$$

$$J := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

$$> \text{exponential}(J, t);$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} e^t & te^t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{2t} & te^{2t} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

> $\text{evalm}(S \& \cdot \text{exponential}(J, t) \& \cdot S^{(-1)})$; #these will be the same
 $\text{exponential}(A, t)$;

$$\begin{bmatrix} e^t & 3te^t & -12e^t - 9te^t + 12e^{2t} & 51e^t + 18te^t + 36te^{2t} - 51e^{2t} \\ 0 & e^t & -3e^t + 3e^{2t} & 6e^t + 9te^{2t} - 6e^{2t} \\ 0 & 0 & e^{2t} & 3te^{2t} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} e^t & 3te^t & -12e^t - 9te^t + 12e^{2t} & 51e^t + 18te^t + 36te^{2t} - 51e^{2t} \\ 0 & e^t & -3e^t + 3e^{2t} & 6e^t + 9te^{2t} - 6e^{2t} \\ 0 & 0 & e^{2t} & 3te^{2t} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

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