

Week 9, Chapter-5

Eigen values and Eigen vectors

Defn: Let A be a square matrix of order n , then the values of λ for which the equation $Ax = \lambda x$ — (1) has a non-trivial solution are called Eigen value of A .

Corresponding Eigen value λ there exist a non-zero vector x such that $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$. Then x is called the Eigen vector.

Remark (1) $|A - \lambda I| = 0$ is called the characteristic equation (in some books) $|\lambda I - A| = 0$ or $\det(\lambda I - A)$

(2) The Eigen value of triangular matrix are its diagonal elements.

(3) A is singular matrix $|A| = 0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda = 0$

Q1. Determine the Eigen value and the corresponding Eigen vector of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Sol: Step 1: To find the Eigen value first write the characteristic equation

$$|\lambda I - A| = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 3 & -1 \\ -6 & \lambda - 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$(\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 2) - 6 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 3\lambda + 6 - 6 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 5\lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda(\lambda - 5) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 0, 5$$

Thus $\lambda_1 = 0$ and $\lambda_2 = 5$ are the Eigen values of A .

Step 2: To find the Eigen vector

(i) Eigen vector corresponding to $\lambda_1 = 0$

$$(\lambda_1 I - A) X = 0 \quad \text{put } \lambda_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0-3 & -1 \\ -6 & 0-2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ -6 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 2R_1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Since the rank of the matrix is one. So there is only one leading variable is x_1 and one free variable is x_2 . So we can write

$$-3x_1 - 1x_2 = 0 \quad \text{or}$$

$$-3x_1 = x_2$$

Let us assume $x_2 = 3$ Then $x_1 = -\frac{3}{3} = -1$

So Eigen vector is $(-1, 3)$

Let us assume $x_2 = 6$ Then $x_1 = -\frac{6}{3} = -2$

So another Eigen vector maybe $(-2, 6)$ and so on.

(ii) Eigen vector corresponding to $\lambda = 5$

$$\text{we have } (\lambda I - A) X = 0 \quad \text{Put } \lambda = 5 \textcircled{1}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5-3 & -1 \\ -6 & 5-2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -6 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 3R_1 \\ \text{since Rank is one} \\ 2x_1 - x_2 = 0 \\ \text{leading variable } x_1 \\ \text{free variable } x_2 \end{array}$$

$2x_1 = x_2$ Let $x_2 = 2$ Then $x_1 = \frac{2}{2} = 1$

Similarly let $x_2 = 4$ Then $x_1 = \frac{4}{2} = 2$ $(1, 2)$ is the Eigen vector

Q2. Find the Eigen value of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Sol: The characteristic equation is

$$|\lambda I - A| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 3 & 0 \\ -0 & \lambda - (-1) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

So $\lambda = 3$ and $\lambda = -1$ are the Eigen value of A.

Q3. Find the Eigen value of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2/3 & 0 \\ 5 & -8 & -1/4 \end{bmatrix}$

Sol: Since it is a Lower triangular matrix. So by the property its diagonal elements are the Eigen value:

$$\lambda_1 = 1/2, \lambda_2 = 2/3, \lambda_3 = -1/4$$

Eigen value of 3x3 matrix

Q4. Find the Eigen value of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & -17 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$

Sol: The characteristic equation is

$$|\lambda I - A| = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 0 & -1 & -0 \\ -0 & \lambda - 0 & -1 \\ -4 & 17 & \lambda - 8 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & -1 \\ -4 & 17 & \lambda - 8 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

open the determinant along Row side

$$= \lambda \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ 17 & \lambda - 8 \end{vmatrix} - (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -4 & \lambda - 8 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -4 & \lambda - 8 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda [(\lambda^2 - 8\lambda) + 17] + (0 - 4) + 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^3 - 8\lambda^2 + 17\lambda - 4 = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now check $\lambda = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4$ successively
 substitute these values in (1) so we observe at $\lambda = 4$
 it will satisfy (1) so $(\lambda - 4)$ is one solution. Now

$$(\lambda - 4)(\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 1) = 0$$

Now I am going to factorise

$$\text{with } \lambda = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$\lambda = 4, \lambda = 2 + \sqrt{3}, \lambda = 2 - \sqrt{3}$$

are the Eigen values.

$$\begin{array}{r} \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 1 \\ \lambda - 4 \overline{) \lambda^3 - 8\lambda^2 + 17\lambda - 4} \\ \underline{\lambda^3 - 4\lambda^2} \\ -4\lambda^2 + 17\lambda - 4 \\ \underline{-4\lambda^2 + 16\lambda} \\ + \lambda - 4 \\ \underline{1\lambda - 4} \\ - 4 \\ \underline{00} \end{array}$$

Q Find the Eigen value, Eigen vector and diagonalize the matrix (3)

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

Soln: The characteristic equation is $|\lambda I - A| = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & \lambda - 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & \lambda - 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

on solving $\lambda^3 - 5\lambda^2 + 8\lambda - 4 = 0$

check for $\lambda = 1$
 $\lambda^3 - 5\lambda^2 + 8\lambda - 4 = 0$
 $1 - 5 + 8 - 4 = 0$
 $0 = 0$

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$$(\lambda - 1)(\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4)$$

$$(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 2)$$

$$(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 2)^2$$

$$\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 2, 2$$

One the Eigen value

$(\lambda - 1)$ is a factor. Now

$$\begin{array}{r} \lambda - 1 \overline{) \lambda^3 - 5\lambda^2 + 8\lambda - 4} \\ \underline{+\lambda^2 - \lambda^2} \\ -4\lambda^2 + 8\lambda \\ \underline{+4\lambda^2 - 4\lambda} \\ 4\lambda - 4 \\ \underline{4\lambda - 4} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

Eigen vector : corresponding to $\lambda = 1$

$$(\lambda I - A)x = 0 \quad \text{from (1)}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{Since the rank of the matrix is 2. There are two leading variables}$$

and one free variable : leading x_1 and x_2 , free x_3
 Now we can write

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 0x_2 + 2x_3 &= 0 \\ -x_2 + x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or } x_1 + 2x_3 &= 0 \quad \text{--- (2)} \\ x_2 &= x_3 \quad \text{--- (3)} \end{aligned}$$

Let $x_3 = 1$ in (3) then $x_2 = 1$ and from (2) $x_1 = -2x_3 \Rightarrow x_1 = -2$

Eigen vector corresponding to $\lambda = 2$
from (1)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad \frac{R_1}{2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Since the rank is } 1 \\ \text{The leading variable is } x_1 \\ \text{The free variables are } x_2, x_3 \end{array}$$

Now

$$x_1 + 0x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$\text{or } x_1 = -x_3$$

(i) Put ~~or~~ let $x_3 = 1$ Then $x_1 = -1$ let assume $x_2 = 0$
so Eigen vector $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(ii) Let $x_3 = 0$ Then $x_1 = 0$ let assume $x_2 = 1$
so Eigen vector $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Now we have three Eigen vectors corresponding to $\lambda = 1$ and $\lambda = 2$
let us call them P_1, P_2 and P_3 , such that $P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, P_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, P_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
Now the Matrix P diagonalizes A , where P

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

We can check and verify $P^{-1}AP =$
The diagonal elements are the Eigen values

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigen value.

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

h: The characteristic equation is

$$|\lambda I - A| = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 4 & -6 & 0 \\ 3 & \lambda + 5 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & \lambda - 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Open the determinant from the last column

$$0 \mid \mid \quad \mid \quad \mid \quad + \lambda - 1 \mid \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 4 & -6 \\ 3 & \lambda + 5 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 1) [(\lambda - 4)(\lambda + 5) + 18] = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 1) [\lambda^2 + 5\lambda - 4\lambda - 20 + 18] = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 1) [\lambda^2 + \lambda - 2] = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 1) [\lambda^2 + 2\lambda - \lambda - 2] = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 1) [(\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 2)] = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 1)^2 (\lambda + 2) = 0$$

The Eigen values are $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -2$

Now the Eigen vectors correspond to the Eigen values

(1) $\lambda_1 = 1$

$$(\lambda I - A) X = 0 \quad \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -6 & 0 \\ 3 & 1+5 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 1-1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 & -6 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad \begin{matrix} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_1 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad -\frac{R_1}{3}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Since the rank of the matrix is 1, so there is only one leading variable and 2 free variables.

The leading variable is x_1 . \therefore Since it has a leading 1, and the free variables are x_2 and x_3 .

$$x_1 + 2x_2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x_1 = -2x_2 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

- (i) Let $x_2 = 1$ and $x_3 = 2$ (as these are free choose any) Now from (2) $x_1 = -2$, $\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$
 (ii) Let $x_2 = -2$ and $x_3 = +2$ then from (2) $x_1 = 4$, then $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$
 (iii) Let $x_2 = 3$ and $x_3 = 4$ then from (2) $x_1 = -6$ then $\begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

Similarly corresponding $\lambda = -2$ put in (1)

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -4 & -6 & 0 \\ 3 & -2+5 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & -2-1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -6 & -6 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad R_1 \leftarrow C$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 \\ \div 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(5)

Since the rank of the matrix is 2 so there are 2 ~~free~~ variables and leading variables are 1 free variable

Leading variables x_1 and x_2 \therefore coz it has leading 1
free variable x_3

$$x_1 + x_2 = 0$$

$$x_2 - x_3 = 0$$

or

$$x_1 = -x_2$$

$$x_2 = x_3$$

So choose any value of x_3

Let $x_3 = 1$ Then $x_2 = 1$ and $x_1 = -1$

Let $x_3 = 2$ Then $x_2 = 2$ and $x_1 = -2$

$x_3 = 3$ $x_2 = 3$ $x_1 = -3$

Diagonalization

Let $D = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ Then

$$D^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 5^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 25 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 5^3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 125 & 0 \\ 0 & 27 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 5^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 3^{-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Which matrix is diagonalizable

- (1) An $n \times n$ matrix is diagonalizable iff it has n L.I. E.V.
- (2) If A has distinct Eigen values.
- (3) If A is Symmetric.
- (4) The matrix A and its diagonalization have the same Eigen values.

Q2. Diagonalize the following matrix if possible

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

The E. Values are $\lambda = 1, 1, 3$

it is not diagonalizable. Since E. values are not distinct and the matrix is not symmetric

Q3. Diagonalize the matrix if possible $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$

Sol: The Eigen values are λ_1, λ_2 . (\because Since the matrix is symmetric since

$$|\lambda I - A| = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 2 & -3 \\ -3 & \lambda - 6 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \lambda_1 = -7, \lambda_2 = +3 \text{ are distinct}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\lambda I - A)x &= 0 \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -7-2 & -3 \\ -3 & -7-6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 & -3 \\ -3 & -13 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} R_1 \times \frac{1}{9} \\ R_2 \end{matrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & -12 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_1 \\ R_2 \end{matrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Since the rank is 2 and 2 leading variables
there is no free variable so

$$x_1 + \frac{1}{3}x_2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_1 = 0$$

$$x_2 = 0$$

Similarly $\lambda = 3$

Since $\lambda_1 = -7$ and $\lambda_2 = -3$

$$\Rightarrow D = \begin{pmatrix} -7 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since the matrix A and its diagonalizer
have the same λ values, (the

E. vectors are

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} -1/3 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad P^{-1} = \frac{1}{10} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 9 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now } A = \cancel{P^{-1}AP} \quad D = P^{-1}AP$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 9 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1/3 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -7 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$