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## **UNIT - III**

# **MATRICES**

# Matrices

(1) Square

(2) Diagonal

(3) Scalar (same diagonal elements)

(11) Adjoint

(10) Involutory  
( $A^2 = I$ )

(4) Rows & Columns

**Matrices  
Types**

(5) Null

(9) Nilpotent ( $A^p = 0$ ,  
 $p = \text{index}$ )  
(Trace & determinant  
always zero)

(8) Idempotent  
( $A^2 = A$ )

(7) Periodic ( $A^{k+1} = A$ ,  
 $k = \text{periodic}$ )

(6) Upper & Lower triangles

# Further Types

## Matrices

Real

Complex

Symmetric  
( $A^T = A$ )

Anti-Symmetric  
( $A^T = -A$ )

Orthogonal  
( $A^T A = I$ )

Hermitian  
( $A^\dagger = A$ )

Skew -Hermitian  
( $A^\dagger = -A$ )

Unitary  
( $A^\dagger A = I$ )

# Properties of Hermitian, Skew – Hermitian & Unitary matrices

## Hermitian matrix :

1. Principal diagonal elements of Hermitian matrices are always **real**.
2. Maximum number of real elements for the most general  $n \times n$  **Hermitian matrix** is  $n$ .
3. If  $A$  is Hermitian matrix, the  $iA$  &  $-iA$  will be Anti-Hermitian.
4. If  $A$  is Hermitian matrix,  $kA$  will be Hermitian.

## Skew – Hermitian matrix :

1. Principal diagonal elements of Skew-Hermitian are either zero or imaginary.
2. Maximum number of real elements for the most general  $n \times n$  **Skew – Hermitian matrix** is 0.

## Unitary matrix :

1. Each row and column of an Unitary matrix is a normalized vector.
2. Any two rows or any two column of an Unitary matrix are orthogonal to each other.
3. If  $A$  &  $B$  are Unitary matrices then  $AB$  &  $BA$  will be always unitary.

## Orthogonal

1.  $\text{Det}(A) = \pm 1$
2.  $A^T = A^{-1}$
3. Each row and column of an orthogonal matrix is a normalized vector.
4. Any two rows or any two column of an orthogonal matrices are orthogonal to each other.
5. If  $A$  &  $B$  are orthogonal matrices then  $AB$  &  $BA$  will be always orthogonal.

## Adjoint

1.  $(\text{Adj } A) A = A (\text{Adj } A) = |A| I$
2. If  $A$  is a square matrix of order  $n$  having determinant  $m$  then  $|\text{Adj } A| = m^{n-1}$

## Rank

1. The rank of a null matrix is zero.
2. The rank of a non-zero matrix is  $\geq 1$ .
3. The rank of any non-singular matrix of order  $n$  is  $n$ .
4. The rank of a matrix that results from the product of two matrices cannot exceed the rank of either of matrix.

# Rank of a Matrix

**Example 1 :** Find the rank of the following matrix

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

**Ans** It is a square matrix. Find the determinant of it

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2(6) - 1(0) + (-9) = 12 - 9 \neq 0$$

Rank of matrix = 3

**Example 2 :** Find the rank of the following matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 & 3 & 8 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & -1 \\ 10 & 3 & 9 & 7 \\ 16 & 4 & 12 & 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Step 1**

$$|A| = 6 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 9 & 7 \\ 4 & 12 & 15 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 6 & -1 \\ 10 & 9 & 7 \\ 16 & 12 & 15 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 & -1 \\ 10 & 3 & 7 \\ 16 & 4 & 15 \end{vmatrix} - 8 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 10 & 3 & 9 \\ 16 & 4 & 12 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 6( ) - 1( ) + 3( ) - 8( )$$

$$= 0$$

$|A| = 0 \therefore$  The rank should be less than 4.

**Step 2** Now consider are  $3 \times 3$  matrices from  $A$ .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 & 3 & 8 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & -1 \\ 10 & 3 & 9 & 7 \\ 16 & 4 & 12 & 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 10 & 3 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 & 8 \\ 4 & 2 & -1 \\ 10 & 3 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 8 \\ 2 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 9 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_{10} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 3 & 8 \\ 4 & 6 & -1 \\ 10 & 9 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 10 & 3 & 9 \\ 16 & 4 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & -1 \\ 10 & 3 & 7 \\ 16 & 4 & 15 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_6 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 9 & 7 \\ 4 & 12 & 15 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_{11} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 3 & 8 \\ 10 & 9 & 7 \\ 16 & 12 & 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_7 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 16 & 4 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_8 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 & 8 \\ 4 & 2 & -1 \\ 16 & 4 & 15 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_9 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 8 \\ 2 & 6 & -1 \\ 4 & 12 & 15 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 & -1 \\ 10 & 9 & 7 \\ 16 & 12 & 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|A_i| = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, 12$$

$\therefore$  All determinants vanish.  $\therefore$  The rank should not be 3.

**Step 3**

Now consider are  $2 \times 2$  matrices from  $A$ .

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 8 \\ 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \dots \dots \dots,$$

$$|A_1| = 12 - 4 = 8 \neq 0$$

The **determinant** value is **not zero**.

$\therefore$  Rank of the given matrix = 2.



### Example 3 :

**Find the rank of the matrix**

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 & -3 & -4 \\ 5 & 3 & 3 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

The given matrix is of the order  $3 \times 4$ . ( not a square matrix).

Hence Rank cannot be 4. The rank can be **3 or 2 or 1.**

### Step 1

Consider are  $3 \times 3$  matrices from  $A$ .

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & -3 \\ 5 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & -3 & -4 \\ 5 & 3 & 11 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 6 \\ 3 & -3 & -4 \\ 3 & 3 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|A_1| = 1(9 + 9) + 1(3 + 15) + 3(3 - 15)$$

$$= 18 + 18 - 36 = 0$$

$$|A_2| = 1(-33 + 12) - 3(11 + 20) + 6(3 + 15)$$

$$= -21 - 93 + 108 \neq 0$$

Rank is 3

## Rank of the Matrix

### Properties

- (i) The rank of a null matrix is zero.
- (ii) The rank of every non-zero matrix is  $\geq 1$ .
- (iii) The rank of every  $n$ -square non-singular matrix is  $n$ .
- (iv) (a) The rank of any  $m \times n$  matrix is  $\leq m$  if  $m \leq n$ .  
(b) The rank of any  $m \times n$  matrix is  $\leq n$  if  $n \leq m$ .
- (iv) The rank of a product of two matrices cannot exceed the rank of either of matrix, that is

$$\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(A); \text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(B)$$

## Characteristic EQUATIONS, EIGENVALUES & Eigenvectors

- ❖ Consider the solutions of the homogeneous system of algebraic equations

$$AX = \lambda X$$

A is an nxn matrix

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

tells us that X is a solution of a homogeneous system of equations with coefficient matrix (A-λI)

- ❖ Let  $P_n(\lambda)$  be the polynomial of degree 'n' in  $\lambda$  defined by the determinant

$$P_n(\lambda) = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} - \lambda & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} - \lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

- ❖ The polynomial  $P_n(\lambda)$  is called **the characteristic polynomial of A**

- ❖ The associated polynomial equation  $P_n(\lambda)=0$  is the **characteristic equation of A**
- ❖ The characteristic equation of A is of **degree n in  $\lambda$** , it will have '**n**' roots. The roots are called **Eigenvalues**.
- ❖ The set of all Eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n$  of A is called the **spectrum of A**.

- ❖ An **Eigenvector** of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  corresponding to an Eigenvalue  $\lambda = \lambda_j$  is a non zero  $n$ -element column-vector  $X_i$ , that satisfy the matrix

$$AX_i = \lambda_j X_i$$

# Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

## Example 1 :

Find eigenvalues and normalized eigenvectors of the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Determination of Eigenvalues

Step 1 Characteristic equation  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} A - \lambda I &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} |A - \lambda I| = 0 &\Rightarrow (1 - \lambda)[(1 - \lambda)^2 - 1] = (1 - \lambda)[1 + \lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 1] = 0 \\ &= (1 - \lambda)(\lambda^2 - 2\lambda) = 0 \\ &= (1 - \lambda)\lambda(\lambda - 2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 = 0, \quad \lambda_2 = 1, \quad \lambda_3 = 2$$

## Determination of Eigenvectors

$$\text{Eigenvalue equation} \quad (A - \lambda I)X = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

### (i) Construction of Eigenvector for $\lambda_1 = 0$

Substitute  $\lambda_1 = 0$  in the above equation and determine the value of  $(x, y, z)$ . The associated column matrix is called eigenvector for  $\lambda_1 = 0$

Substituting  $\lambda_1 = 0$  in the above equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} x = 0 \\ y + z = 0 \\ y + z = 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow x = 0, z = -y$$

Let us choose  $y = 1, \therefore z = -1$

### Eigenvector

$$X_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Normalized Eigenvector

$$X_1 = \sqrt{0 + 1^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2} \quad X_1 = \frac{1}{|X_1|} \cdot X_1 ; \quad X_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$



## (ii) Construction of Eigenvector for $\lambda_1 = 1$

Substituting  $\lambda_2 = 1$  in the equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \implies \left. \begin{matrix} z = 0 \\ y = 0 \end{matrix} \right\} \implies x \text{ arbitrary.}$$

Let us choose  $x = 1$

### Eigenvector

$$X_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Normalized Eigenvector

$$X_2 = \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + 0^2} = 1$$

$$X_2 = \frac{1}{|X_2|} \cdot X_2 ;$$

$$X_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

### (iii) Construction of Eigenvector for $\lambda_3 = 2$

Substituting  $\lambda_3 = 2$  in the equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \implies \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x = 0, \quad -y + z = 0, \quad y - z = 0 \implies x = 0, \quad z = y = 1 \quad (\text{say})$$

### Normalized Eigenvector

$$X_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Given matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues

$$\lambda = 0, 1, 2$$

Normalized Eigenvectors

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Example 2 :

Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

Characteristic equation :  $\lambda^2 - 2\lambda \cos \theta + 1 = 0$

Eigenvalues (complex) :  $\lambda = \cos \theta \pm i \sin \theta = e^{\pm i\theta}$

$$\lambda_1 = e^{i\theta} ; \quad \lambda_2 = e^{-i\theta}$$

Eigenvectors (complex) :

Equation

$$(\cos \theta - \lambda)x - \sin \theta y = 0 ;$$

$$\sin \theta x - (\cos \theta - \lambda)y = 0 ;$$

$\lambda_1 = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \Rightarrow y = -ix$

$$\therefore x = 1 \quad y = -i$$

$\lambda_1 = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta \Rightarrow y = ix$

$$\therefore x = 1 \quad y = i$$

Eigenvectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

## Eigenvalues & Eigenvectors

1. Sum of the eigenvalues of a matrix is equal to trace of the matrix.
2. Product of the eigenvalues of a matrix = determinant.
3. Any square matrix  $A$  and its transpose have **same eigenvalues**.
4. If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$  are the eigenvalues of  $A$ , then
  - (a) Eigenvalues of  $kA$  are  $k\lambda_1, k\lambda_2, k\lambda_3, \dots$
  - (b) Eigenvalues of the matrix  $A^{-1}$  will be  $\frac{1}{\lambda_1}, \frac{1}{\lambda_2}, \frac{1}{\lambda_3}, \dots$
  - (c) Eigenvalues of the matrix  $A^m$  will be  $\lambda_1^m, \lambda_2^m, \lambda_3^m, \dots$
5. Eigenvalues of a real symmetric/ Hermitian matrix are always **real**.
6. Eigenvalues of a Skew-Hermitian matrix is either zero or pure imaginary.
7. Eigenvalues of real orthogonal matrix / unitary matrix are of unit modulus.
8. Eigenvalues of a diagonal / upper triangular / lower triangular matrix are the principal diagonal.

## Eigenvalues & Eigenvectors

9. Two eigenvectors corresponding to two distinct eigenvalues of Hermitian matrix and a Unitary matrix are orthogonal to each other.
10. Eigenvalues of a nilpotent matrix are always **zero**.
11. Eigenvalues of an idempotent matrix are either 0 or unity.
12. Consider a  $n \times n$  matrix having all elements equal to 1. One of the eigenvalues of the matrix will be equal to order of the matrix and all other eigenvalues are zero, that is,  $n, 0, 0, 0, \dots$
13. Consider a  $n \times n$  matrix having rows and columns which are scalar multiple of a particular row & column respectively. One of the eigenvalues of the matrix will be equal to the trace of the matrix and all eigenvalues are zero, (i.e.,)  $\text{trace}, 0, 0, 0, \dots$

# Cayley-Hamilton theorem

## Statement

“Every square matrix satisfies its own characteristic equation”

❖ If  $|A - \lambda I| = (-1)^n (\lambda^n + a_1 \lambda^{n-1} + a_2 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + a_n)$  be the characteristic polynomial of  $n \times n$  matrix  $A = a_{ij}$ , then the matrix equation,

$$X^n + a_1 X^{n-1} + a_2 X^{n-2} + \dots + a_n I = 0$$

is satisfied by  $X = A$  i.e.

$$A^n + a_1 A^{n-1} + a_2 A^{n-2} + \dots + a_n I = 0$$

## Proof

❖ Since the elements of  $A - \lambda I$  are at most of the first degree in  $\lambda$ , the elements of  $\text{adj}(A - \lambda I)$  are at most degree  $(n-1)$  in  $\lambda$ . Thus,  $\text{adj}(A - \lambda I)$  may be written as a matrix polynomial in  $\lambda$ , given by  $\lambda$ ,

$$\text{adj}(A - \lambda I) = B_0 \lambda^{n-1} + B_1 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + B_{n-1}$$

where  $B_0, B_1, \dots, B_{n-1}$  are  $n \times n$  matrices, their elements being polynomial in  $\lambda$

❖ As we know that  $(A - \lambda I) \operatorname{adj}(A - \lambda I) = |A - \lambda I| I$

$$\begin{aligned} (A - \lambda I) (B_0 \lambda^{n-1} + B_2 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + B_{n-1}) \\ = (-1)^n (\lambda^n + a_1 \lambda^{n-1} + a_2 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + a_n) I \end{aligned}$$

❖ Equating coefficients of like powers of  $\lambda$  on both sides we get

$$\begin{aligned} -I B_0 &= (-1)^n I \\ A B_0 - I B_1 &= (-1)^n a_1 I \\ A B_1 - I B_2 &= (-1)^n a_2 I \\ \vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots \\ A B_{n-1} &= (-1)^n a_n I \end{aligned}$$



On multiplying the equation by  $A^n$ ,  $A^{n-1}$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $I$  respectively and adding, we obtain

$$0 = (-1)^n (A^n + a_1 A^{n-1} + a_2 A^{n-2} + \dots + a_n I)$$

$$(A^n + a_1 A^{n-1} + a_2 A^{n-2} + \dots + a_n I) = 0$$

Proved

## Example

Verify the Cayley - Hamilton theorem for the matrix

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

Characteristic polynomial

$$P(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 1$$

$$P(A) = A^2 - 4A - I$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) &= \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 4 \\ 20 & 9 \end{pmatrix} - 4 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

# Cayley – Hamilton theorem

## Applications

**Application 1 :** Using Cayley-Hamilton theorem, we can find inverse of the given matrix.

**Example :** Prove that the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  satisfies its own eigenvalue equation and hence find  $A^{-1}$ .

**Answer:** (i) Characteristic equation

$$\lambda^3 - \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 5 = 0 \quad (\text{Home work})$$

(ii) Check

$$A^3 - A^2 - 5A + 5I = 0 \quad (\text{Home work})$$

**Inverse :** 
$$I = \frac{1}{5}(-A^3 + A^2 + 5A)$$

Pre-multiplying this equation by  $A^{-1}$ , we obtain  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{5}(-A^2 + A + 5I)$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{5} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + 5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{H.W.})$$

## Application of Determinants Cramer's Rule

The solution of the following equations,

$$a_1x + b_1y + c_1z = d_1$$

$$a_2x + b_2y + c_2z = d_2$$

$$a_3x + b_3y + c_3z = d_3$$

is given by,

$$x = \frac{D_1}{D} \quad \text{where,} \quad D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} d_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ d_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ d_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$y = \frac{D_2}{D} \quad \text{where,} \quad D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & d_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & d_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & d_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$z = \frac{D_3}{D} \quad \text{where,} \quad D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & d_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & d_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & d_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

**Example :** Solve the following system of equations using Cramer's rule,  
 $5x - 7y + z = 11,$        $6x - 8y - z = 15,$        $3x + 2y - 6z = 7.$

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -7 & 1 \\ 6 & -8 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & -6 \end{vmatrix} = 55$$

$$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 11 & -7 & 1 \\ 15 & -8 & -1 \\ 7 & 2 & -6 \end{vmatrix} = 55$$

$$D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 11 & 1 \\ 6 & 15 & -1 \\ 3 & 7 & -6 \end{vmatrix} = -55$$

$$D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -7 & 11 \\ 6 & -8 & 15 \\ 3 & 2 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = -55$$

$$x = \frac{D_1}{D} = \frac{55}{55} = 1, \quad y = -1, \quad z = -1$$

**Cross - Check:**

$$5x - 7y + z = 11 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 5(1) - 7(-1) + (-1) = 5 + 7 - 1 = 11$$
$$6x - 8y - z = 15 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 6(1) - 8(-1) - (-1) = 6 + 8 + 1 = 15$$
$$3x + 2y - 6z = 7 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 3(1) + 2(-1) - 6(-1) = 3 - 2 + 6 = 7$$

# Diagonalisation of a Matrix

## Theorem

If a square matrix  $A$  of order  $n$  has  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors, then a matrix  $P$  (composed of the eigenvectors of  $A$ ) can be found such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is a diagonal matrix

❖ Let us consider a matrix  $A$  of order 3

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

❖ Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$  be its eigenvalues and  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  the corresponding eigenvectors

where

$$X_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad X_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad X_3 = \begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ y_3 \\ z_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Construct the matrix **P** composed of the eigenvectors of **A**

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 & \mathbf{x}_2 & \mathbf{x}_3 \\ \mathbf{y}_1 & \mathbf{y}_2 & \mathbf{y}_3 \\ \mathbf{z}_1 & \mathbf{z}_2 & \mathbf{z}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Whose columns are the eigenvectors of **A**



Consider the diagonal matrix of A

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\lambda_1$ ,  $\lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$  are the eigenvalues of A

Then diagonalisation is given by

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{D}$$

Since  $\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{I}$

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{D}$$

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}$$

$\mathbf{D}$  is the Diagonal matrix

## Example

Let us consider the matrix  $A =$

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

Eigenvectors of matrix  $A$  are

$$X_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence the matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  is

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

Inverse of matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  is given by

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

As we know that diagonal matrix **D** is given by

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}$$

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

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

## Remarks

- An  $n \times n$  matrix can be diagonalized provided it possesses 'n' linearly independent eigenvectors
- A symmetric matrix can always be diagonalized
- The diagonalizing matrix for a real  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  may contain complex elements. This is because although the characteristic polynomials of  $A$  has real coefficients, its zeros either will be real or will occur in complex conjugate pairs
- A diagonalizing matrix is not unique, because its form depends on the order in which the eigenvectors are used to form its columns

# Application Powers of a Matrix

We can obtain powers of a matrix with the help of diagonalized matrix.

Recall,  $D = P^{-1} A P$

Diagonal matrix
Eigenvector matrix

$$D^2 = DD = P^{-1} A P P^{-1} A P = P^{-1} A^2 P$$

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$$D^3 = DD^2 = P^{-1} A P P^{-1} A^2 P = P^{-1} A^3 P$$

$\vdots$   
 $\vdots$   
 $\vdots$   
 $I$

$$D^n = P^{-1} A^n P$$

$$P D^n = P P^{-1} A^n P = A^n P$$

$$P D^n P^{-1} = A^n P P^{-1} = A^n$$



Diagonal matrix raised to power  $n$

$$A^n = P D^n P^{-1}$$

Eigenvector matrix

**Example :**  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{3} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} & \frac{5}{3} \end{pmatrix}$ , Calculate  $A^{50}$

**Step 1:** Eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = 1, 2$  (H.W.)

**Step 2:** Eigenvector  $\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$  (H.W.)

**Step 3:**  $P = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 1 \\ -1 & \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$   $P^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} & \frac{-1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \end{pmatrix}$  (H.W.)

**Step 4:** Diagonal matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  (H.W.)

**Step 5:**  $A^{50} = PD^{50}P^{-1}$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 1 \\ -1 & \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1^{50} & 0 \\ 0 & 2^{50} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} & \frac{-1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2^{50} + 2 & (2^{50} - 1)\sqrt{2} \\ (2^{50} - 1)\sqrt{2} & 2^{51} + 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ (H.W.)}$$

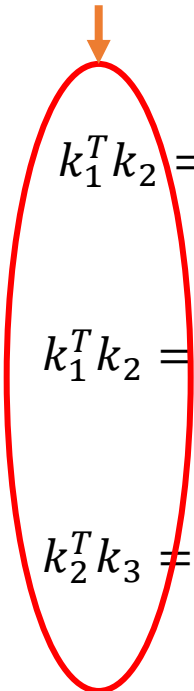
## Orthogonality of Eigenvectors

**Demonstration:** Consider the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

The Eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 = 1$  and  $\lambda_3 = -2$  (H.W.)

The Eigenvectors are  $k_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, k_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $k_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  (H.W.)

### Orthogonality


$$k_1^T k_2 = (1 \ 0 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -1 + 1 = 0$$

$$k_1^T k_3 = (1 \ 0 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -1 + 1 = 0$$

$$k_2^T k_3 = (-1 \ 1 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = -1 + 2 - 1 = 0$$



## Differentiation and Integration of matrix

Let the  $\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{1}$  column vector

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = [x_1(t), x_2(t), \dots, x_n(t)]^T$$

$x_i(t)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Let  $\mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{n}$  matrix

$$\mathbf{G}(t) = [g_{ij}(t)]$$

$g_{ij}(t)$  with  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Derivatives of  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  and  $\mathbf{G}(t)$  with respect to  $t$  are defined as

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} dx_1/dt \\ dx_2/dt \\ \vdots \\ dx_n/dt \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{G}(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} dg_{11}/dt & dg_{12}/dt & \cdots & dg_{1n}/dt \\ dg_{21}/dt & dg_{22}/dt & \cdots & dg_{2n}/dt \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ dg_{m1}/dt & dg_{m2}/dt & \cdots & dg_{mn}/dt \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{A}$  is constant matrix

$$\text{then } \frac{d\mathbf{A}}{dt} = 0 \quad \text{in particular } \frac{d\mathbf{I}}{dt} = 0$$

*definition of matrix multiplication*

$$\frac{d[\mathbf{A}\mathbf{G}(t)]}{dt} = \mathbf{A} \frac{d\mathbf{G}(t)}{dt}$$

**Example :**

Find  $\frac{d[AG(t)]}{dt}$  and  $\frac{d^2[AG(t)]}{dt^2}$  if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } G = \begin{bmatrix} \sin t & \cos t \\ -\cos t & \sin t \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution :**

$$\frac{d}{dt}[AG(t)] = A \frac{dG(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos t - 3 \sin t & -\sin t - 3 \cos t \\ 2 \cos t - 4 \sin t & -2 \sin t + 4 \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2}[AG(t)] = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{d[AG(t)]}{dt} \right) = A \frac{d^2 G(t)}{dt^2}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -\sin t - 3 \cos t & -\cos t + 3 \sin t \\ -2 \sin t + 4 \cos t & -2 \cos t - 4 \sin t \end{bmatrix}$$

If  $G(t)$  and  $H(t)$  are conformable for addition, then

$$\frac{d}{dt} [G(t) + H(t)] = \frac{dG(t)}{dt} + \frac{dH(t)}{dt}$$

Furthermore, If  $G(t)$  and  $H(t)$  are conformable for the product  $G(t)H(t)$ , then

$$\frac{d}{dt} [G(t)H(t)] = \frac{dG(t)}{dt} H(t) + G(t) \frac{dH(t)}{dt}$$

A less obvious result is that if  $G(t)$  is a nonsingular  $n \times n$  matrix, then

$$\frac{dG^{-1}(t)}{dt} = -G^{-1}(t) \frac{dG(t)}{dt} G^{-1}(t)$$

## Proof :

By differentiating the product  $G(t)G^{-1}(t)$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [G(t)G^{-1}(t)] = \frac{dG(t)}{dt} G^{-1}(t) + G(t) \frac{dG^{-1}(t)}{dt} \longrightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

We Know that  $G(t)G^{-1}(t) = I$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [G(t)G^{-1}(t)] = \frac{d}{dt} [I] = 0 \longrightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

From 1 and 2

$$\frac{dG(t)}{dt} G^{-1}(t) + G(t) \frac{dG^{-1}(t)}{dt} = 0$$

Rearranging the above equation

$$\frac{dG^{-1}(t)}{dt} = -G^{-1}(t) \frac{dG(t)}{dt} G^{-1}(t)$$

**Example :**

Find  $\frac{dG^{-1}(t)}{dt}$  if

$$G(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution :**

*Differentiate*

$$G^{-1}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

*then*

$$\frac{dG^{-1}(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin t & -\cos t \\ \cos t & -\sin t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dG(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin t & \cos t \\ -\cos t & -\sin t \end{bmatrix}$$

By simplifying the above expressions for  $G^{-1}(t)$  and  $dG(t)/dt$

$$\frac{dG^{-1}(t)}{dt} = -G^{-1}(t) \frac{dG(t)}{dt} G^{-1}(t)$$

finally we get

$$\boxed{\frac{dG^{-1}(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin t & -\cos t \\ \cos t & -\sin t \end{bmatrix}}$$

## Definition

If  $\mathbf{A}(t) = [a_{ij}(t)]$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, with  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Indefinite integral of the element in the  $i$  th row and  $j$  th column of  $\mathbf{A}(t)$  is  $\int a_{ij}(t) dt$

*Indefinite integral of  $\mathbf{A}(t)$  is*

$$\int \mathbf{A}(t) dt = \left[ \int a_{ij}(t) dt \right]$$

Definite integral of  $\mathbf{A}(t)$  between limits  $t = a$  and  $t = b$

So that

$$\int_a^b \mathbf{A}(t) dt = \left[ \int_a^b a_{ij}(t) dt \right]$$



**Example :**

$$\text{Find } \int A(t) dt \text{ if } A(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \sin t & \cos t \\ -3 \cos t & \sin t \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution :**

$$\int A(t) dt = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \cos t + C_1 & \sin t + C_2 \\ -3 \sin t + C_3 & -\cos t + C_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

So

$$A(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \sin t & \cos t \\ -3 \cos t & \sin t \end{bmatrix} + C$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 & C_2 \\ C_3 & C_4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is an arbitrary constant}$$

## THEOREM

*Let all the eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  of the  $n \times n$  real matrix  $A$  be real and distinct and  $E_1, \dots, E_n$  are eigenvectors belonging to  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  respectively. Then a general solution is*

$$X(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} E_1 + \dots + c_n e^{\lambda_n t} E_n,$$

*$c_1, \dots, c_n$  being arbitrary constants,*

**Example :**

To solve

$$x'_1 = x_1 + 3x_2$$

$$x'_2 = x_1 - x_2$$

We compute the eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  of the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Corresponding eigenvectors belonging to  $\lambda_1 = 2, \lambda = -2$  are  $\mathbf{E}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{E}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . The general solution of this first order linear differential equation is

$$X(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = c_1 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{-2t} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

which can be rewritten as

$$x_1(t) = 3c_1 e^{2t} - c_2 e^{-2t}$$

$$x_2(t) = c_1 e^{2t} + c_2 e^{-2t}$$

## Homework

Solve the following systems of first order linear differential equations

$$1) \quad x'_1 = x_1 + 6x_2 \quad ; \quad x'_2 = 5x_1 + 2x_2$$

$$2) \quad x'_1 = x_1 - 2x_2 \quad ; \quad x'_2 = x_1 - x_2$$

$$3) \quad x'_1 = x_1 - x_2 + 4x_3 \quad ; \quad x'_2 = 3x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 \quad ; \quad x'_3 = 2x_1 + x_2 - x_3$$

**Example :**

Find the general solution of the system of equations

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = x_1 + x_2 \quad , \quad \frac{dx_2}{dt} = x_2 - x_1$$

**Solution :**

$$\text{Hint : } x_1\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1, x_2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 2$$

In matrix  $\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax$ , with  $x = [x_1, x_2]^T$

Where

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

The eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A are

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1 &= 1 + i, & x_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \lambda_2 &= 1 - i, & x_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

So as the vectors  $e^{-it}\mathbf{x}_i$  with  $i = 1, 2$  are linearly independent solutions,

$$\phi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -ie^{(1+i)t} & ie^{(1-i)t} \\ e^{(1+i)t} & e^{(1-i)t} \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus the general solution  $\mathbf{x}(t) = \phi(t)\mathbf{C}$  becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}(t) &= \begin{bmatrix} -ie^{(1+i)t} & ie^{(1-i)t} \\ e^{(1+i)t} & e^{(1-i)t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -iC_1e^{(1+i)t} & iC_2e^{(1-i)t} \\ C_1e^{(1+i)t} & C_2e^{(1-i)t} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

where  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are complex numbers

Let us set  $C_1 = a + ib$  and  $C_2 = a - ib$ , then the general solution becomes

$$x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2ae' \sin t + 2be' \cos t \\ 2ae' \cos t - 2be' \sin t \end{bmatrix}$$

Both  $a$  and  $b$  are arbitrary constants, so we set  $k_1 = 2a$  and  $k_2 = 2b$ , then general solutions becomes,

$$x_1(t) = e^t(k_1 \sin t + k_2 \cos t) \text{ and } x_2(t) = e^t(k_1 \cos t - k_2 \sin t)$$

To satisfy the initial conditions

$$x_1\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1, \quad x_2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0, \quad t = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ in general solution}$$

$$\text{Initial condition } x_1\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1 : \quad 1 = e^{\pi/2} k_1 \quad k_1 = e^{-\pi/2}$$

$$\text{Initial condition } x_2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 2 : \quad 2 = -e^{\pi/2} k_2 \quad k_2 = -2e^{-\pi/2}$$

Then the solution of initial-value problem is found to be

$$x_1(t) = e^{\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)} (\sin t - 2 \cos t)$$

$$x_2(t) = e^{\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)} (\cos t + 2 \sin t). \quad \text{where } t \geq \frac{\pi}{2}$$



**Example :**

Find the general solution of the following third-order differential equation by converting it to a first-order system:

$$\frac{d^3 y}{dt^3} + \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + \frac{dy}{dt} + y = 0$$

**Solution :**

Introduce the two new dependent variables  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ , by setting

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = z_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = \frac{dz_1}{dt} = z_2$$

Third order equation replaced by equivalent first-order system

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = z_1, \quad \frac{dz_1}{dt} = z_2$$

$$\frac{dz_2}{dt} + z_2 + z_1 + y = 0$$

When written in matrix form, this system becomes

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = Az$$

$$\text{with } z = \begin{bmatrix} y(t) \\ z_1(t) \\ z_2(t) \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A are

$$\lambda_1 = -1 ; x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_2 = i ; x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_3 = -i ; x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

As the vectors  $e^{-\lambda_i t} \mathbf{x}_i$  with  $i = 1, 2, 3$  are solutions, a fundamental matrix is

$$\phi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^t & -e^{it} & -e^{-it} \\ -e^{-t} & -ie^{it} & ie^{-it} \\ e^{-t} & e^{it} & e^{-it} \end{bmatrix}$$

when the general solution becomes

$$\begin{bmatrix} y \\ z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^t & -e^{it} & -e^{-it} \\ -e^{-t} & -ie^{it} & ie^{-it} \\ e^{-t} & e^{it} & e^{-it} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \\ C_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$Y(t)$  of the original third-order differential equation is needed

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^{it} + C_3 e^{-it}$$

$C_2, C_3$  are complex conjugates, so setting  $C_2 = a + ib$  and  $C_3 = a - ib$  and  $a$  and  $b$  are arbitrary constants.

It results

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + 2b \cos t - 2b \sin t$$

Writing  $C_2$  in place of  $2a$  and  $C_3$  in place of  $-2b$ , then the general solution is

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 \cos t + C_3 \sin t$$

Solving for  $\mathbf{z}_1$  and  $\mathbf{z}_2$  will give  $\frac{dy}{dt}$  **and**  $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$  by determination of  $y(t)$

## Spectral Decomposition

Suppose  $A = PDP^{-1}$  where the columns of  $P$  are orthonormal eigenvectors  $u_1 \dots \dots u_n$  of  $A$  and the corresponding eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \dots \dots \lambda_n$  are in diagonal matrix  $D$ .

then  $P^{-1} = P^T$

$$\begin{aligned} A = PDP^T &= [u_1 \quad \dots \quad u_n]_{1 \times n} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n} \begin{bmatrix} u_1^T \\ \vdots \\ u_n^T \end{bmatrix}_{n \times 1} \\ &= [\lambda_1 u_1 \quad \dots \quad \lambda_n u_n] \begin{bmatrix} u_1^T \\ \vdots \\ u_n^T \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Using the column-row expansion of a product, we can write

$$A = \lambda_1 u_1 u_1^T + \lambda_2 u_2 u_2^T + \dots + \lambda_n u_n u_n^T$$

 **Spectral decomposition of A**

**Example:**

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

Its eigenvalues are  $\lambda = 2, 4$  and the corresponding unit vectors are

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$\mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 1 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

And

$$\mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_2^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

So

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} + 4 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

is the spectral decomposition of  $A$ .

**Example :**

Construct a spectral decomposition of the matrix  $A$  that has the orthogonal diagonalization.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/\sqrt{5} & -1/\sqrt{5} \\ 1/\sqrt{5} & 2/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2/\sqrt{5} & -1/\sqrt{5} \\ 1/\sqrt{5} & 2/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution :**

Denote the columns of  $P$  by  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ .

$$A = 8u_1 u_1^T + 3u_2 u_2^T$$

To verify this decomposition of  $A$ , compute

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 u_1^T &= \begin{bmatrix} 2/\sqrt{5} \\ 1/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2/\sqrt{5} & 1/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4/5 & -2/5 \\ 2/5 & 1/5 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} u_2 u_2^T &= \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{5} \\ 2/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ \sqrt{5} & \sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1/5 & -2/5 \\ -2/5 & 4/5 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 8u_1 u_1^T + 3u_2 u_2^T &= \begin{bmatrix} 32/5 & 16/5 \\ 16/5 & 8/5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3/5 & -6/5 \\ -6/5 & 12/5 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \mathbf{A} \end{aligned}$$

## Homework

i) Write the spectral decomposition  $A = PDP^*$  if

$$a) \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & 4 \\ -2 & 6 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b) \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -2 & -1 \\ -2 & 6 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

ii) Classify (positive definite, negative definite, or indefinite, etc) the quadratic form  $q(x) = x^*Ax$  if  $A =$

$$a) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \quad b) \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -4 \\ -4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c) \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad d) \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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A quadratic form  $q(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$  with  $\mathbf{A}$  symmetric is

- i. positive definite if and only if all the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$  are positive.*
- ii. negative definite if and only if all the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$  are negative.*
- iii. indefinite if and only if neither **i)** nor **ii)** holds.*

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