

Lec 37

Recall: Diagonalisation as special case of similarity

Orthogonal diagonalisation of real symmetric matrices
 - orthonormal basis of e-vects

Def $A_{n \times n}$ is orthogonally diagonalisable if \exists orth. matrix Q s.t.
 $Q^T A Q = D = Q^{-1} A Q$ | recall Q orth $\Rightarrow Q^T = Q^{-1}$

Def A is symmetric if $A = A^T$

Thm If A is orthogonally diagonalisable, then A is symmetric.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} Q^T A Q &= Q^{-1} A Q = D \\ A &= Q D Q^{-1} = Q D Q^T \\ A^T &= (Q^T)^T D^T Q^T \\ &= Q D Q^T \\ &= A \end{aligned}$$

Ex.

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ with $\lambda_1 = 4, \lambda_2 = 1$

$E_4 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ $E_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

↓ Gram-Schmidt

$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

normalise

$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{-1/2}{\sqrt{3/2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3/2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{-1/2}{\sqrt{3/2}} \end{bmatrix}$

Thm Every real symmetric matrix B orthogonally diagonalisable

Complex e-val — related to rotation.

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Find } \begin{bmatrix} c & -s \\ s & c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(R - \lambda I) &= 0 \\ (c - \lambda)^2 + s^2 &= 0 \\ \lambda^2 - 2c\lambda + (c^2 + s^2) &= 0 \\ \lambda^2 - 2c\lambda + 1 &= 0 \\ \lambda &= c \pm \sqrt{c^2 - 1} \\ &= \cos \theta \pm \sqrt{\cos^2 \theta - 1} \\ &= \cos \theta \pm i \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

But then $A(\overset{\text{complex vec}}{v+iw}) = (\alpha - i\beta)(v+iw)$
 $Av + iAw = (\alpha v + \beta w) + i(-\beta v + \alpha w)$
 $\Rightarrow Av = \alpha v + \beta w,$
 $Aw = -\beta v + \alpha w$

Claim: $B = \{v, w\}$ is a basis and

$$[Av]_B = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[Aw]_B = \begin{bmatrix} -\beta \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

Then
$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & -\beta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} & -\frac{\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} \\ \frac{\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} & \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Set } \cos \theta = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}, \quad \sin \theta = \frac{\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}$$

So this is a rotation matrix.