

Eigenvalues

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix and $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ be nonzero.

If $\exists \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ s.t. $Ax = \lambda x$ then x is called an eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue λ .

Example let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 4 \\ -1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 4 = 0$ "characteristic polynomial"

$\Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 2i$ are the eigenvalues of A .

Note A is a real matrix but eigenvalues are complex (in general)

For small matrices, finding roots of $\det(A - \lambda I)$ by hand is useful but in general we may run into issues!

5.1 Matrix Eigenvalue Problem: Power Method

Let $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ be eigenvalues with associated eigenvectors $u^{(1)}, \dots, u^{(n)}$

- s.t.
- $|\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2| \geq |\lambda_3| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_n|$
 - $\{u^{(1)}, \dots, u^{(n)}\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{C}^n . (spanning set that is linearly independent)

let $x^{(0)} = a_1 u^{(1)} + a_2 u^{(2)} + \dots + a_n u^{(n)}$ s.t. $a_1 \neq 0$

We form the sequence

$x^{(1)} = Ax^{(0)}, x^{(2)} = Ax^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(k+1)} = Ax^{(k)}$

or $x^{(k)} = A^k x^{(0)}$

To simplify our analysis, we assume $x^{(0)} = u^{(1)} + u^{(2)} + \dots + u^{(n)}$ without any loss of generality.

$x^{(k)} = A^k x^{(0)} = A^k u^{(1)} + \dots + A^k u^{(n)}$

$x^{(k)} = \lambda_1^k u^{(1)} + \dots + \lambda_n^k u^{(n)}$

$x^{(k)} = \lambda_1^k \left(u^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right)^k u^{(2)} + \dots + \left(\frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_1}\right)^k u^{(n)} \right)$

Since $|\lambda_j| < |\lambda_1|$ for $j \geq 2$, $\left(\frac{\lambda_j}{\lambda_1}\right)^k \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Set $x^{(k)} = \lambda_1^k (u^{(1)} + \Sigma^{(k)})$

where $\Sigma^{(k)} = \left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right)^k u^{(2)} + \dots + \left(\frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_1}\right)^k u^{(n)} \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$

let ϕ be any linear functional on \mathbb{C}^n , that is, $\phi: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and it is linear: $\phi(x+y) = \phi(x) + \phi(y)$ and $\phi(\lambda x) = \lambda \phi(x)$.

Then $\phi(x^{(k)}) = \lambda_1^k (\phi(u^{(1)}) + \phi(\Sigma^{(k)}))$
 $\Rightarrow r_k := \frac{\phi(x^{(k+1)})}{\phi(x^{(k)})} = \frac{\lambda_1^{k+1} (\phi(u^{(1)}) + \phi(\Sigma^{(k+1)}))}{\lambda_1^k (\phi(u^{(1)}) + \phi(\Sigma^{(k)}))} \rightarrow \lambda_1$
 e.g. $\phi \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = 3x_1 + x_2$

Since the direction of $x^{(k)}$ is approaching to the direction of $u^{(1)}$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$, we can also obtain $u^{(1)}$ with this method.

Pseudo code

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input n, A, x, M
output O, x
for k=1 to M do
    y ← Ax
    r ← φ(y)/φ(x)
    x ← y
    output k, x, r
end do
    
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$x^{(k)} \sim x$ $y \sim x^{(k+1)}$
 for some linear functional ϕ .
 In general it is better to replace the line $x \leftarrow y$ by $x \leftarrow \frac{y}{\|y\|}$

Example Use the power method on the following matrix and initial vector

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 & -5 \\ 2 & 6 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ $x = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Note $\|y^{(0)}\|_\infty = 6$

$x^{(0)} = x$ $y^{(0)} = Ax^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ $x^{(1)} = \frac{y^{(0)}}{\|y^{(0)}\|_\infty} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$. Say $\phi \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = x_2$

then $\phi(y^{(0)}) / \phi(x^{(0)}) = 2 = r_0$

k	0	1	2	3	4	6	28
$x_1^{(k)}$	-1	-1*	-1	-1	-1		-1
$x_2^{(k)}$	1	0.333	-0.111	-0.407	-0.605	...	-0.998
$x_3^{(k)}$	1	0.333	-0.111	-0.407	-0.605	...	-0.998
r_{k-1}	X	2	-2	2.2	8.909	6.715	6.0001

$\lambda_1 = 6$ and $u^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Thm If λ is an eigenvalue of an invertible matrix A , then λ^{-1} is an eigenvalue of A^{-1} .

Pf Say $Ax = \lambda x$ for $x \neq 0$. Then,
 $x = A^{-1}Ax = A^{-1}\lambda x = \lambda A^{-1}x \Rightarrow \lambda^{-1}x = A^{-1}x$.

Inverse Power Method.

Given A with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ s.t.

$$|\lambda_1| \geq |\lambda_2| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_{n-1}| > |\lambda_n| > 0$$

smallest eigenvalue is unique.

Then A^{-1} exists and its eigenvalues are $\lambda_1^{-1}, \lambda_2^{-1}, \dots, \lambda_n^{-1}$ satisfying $|\lambda_n^{-1}| > |\lambda_{n-1}^{-1}| \geq |\lambda_{n-2}^{-1}| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_1^{-1}| > 0$

In principal we can apply the Power Method on A^{-1} to determine λ_n . However, instead of computing A^{-1} and $x^{(k+1)} = A^{-1}x^{(k)}$, we compute $Ax^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)}$ using Gaussian-elimination. (We carry out factorization phase only once!)

This is the inverse power method.

Example

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 & -5 \\ 2 & 6 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 10/3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & 13/3 & -1/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 12/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Say $x^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ -13 \end{pmatrix}$ Then we find $y^{(0)}$ by solving $Ay^{(0)} = x^{(0)}$

or equivalently $LUy^{(0)} = x^{(0)}$ or $Uy^{(0)} = L^{-1}x^{(0)}$

Then we set $x^{(1)} = \frac{y^{(0)}}{\|y^{(0)}\|_\infty}$ and continue similarly.

k	0	1	2	...	11	12
$x^{(k)}$	3 7 -13	-0.802 -0.008 -1.000	-0.951 -0.018 -1.000	---	-1.000 0.000 -1.000	-1.000 0.000 -1.000
r_{k-1}	X	-5.889	1.198		1.000	1.000

Using $\mathcal{Q} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = x_1$
 $r_k \rightarrow \lambda_3^{-1}$

Thus, the smallest eigenvalue of A , λ_3 , appears to satisfy $\lambda_3^{-1} = 1$ i.e. $\lambda_3 = 1$ and corr. eig. vec is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Consider the shifted matrix $A - \mu I$. Assume μ is not an eigenval of A and there is a unique eigenval of A , λ_k , s.t. $0 < |\lambda_k - \mu| < \epsilon$ for some $\epsilon > 0$.

Then applying the inverse power method to $A - \mu I$ we can obtain λ_k . Exercise: why? (Hint: think about eig. values of $A - \mu I$)
 (First, $r_x \rightarrow z = (\lambda_k - \mu)^{-1}$, then $\lambda_k = z^{-1} + \mu$)

Similarly if there is a unique λ_k s.t. $|\lambda_k - \mu| > \epsilon > 0$ then the power method gives us λ_k .

Summary

Method	Equation	Computes
→ Power	$x^{(k+1)} = Ax^{(k)}$	largest eig. val.
→ inverse power	$Ax^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)}$	smallest eig. val.
→ shifted power	$x^{(k+1)} = (A - \mu I)x^{(k)}$	eig. val. farthest from μ
→ shifted inverse power	$(A - \mu I)x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)}$	eig. val. closest to μ

5.3 Orthogonal Decompositions and Least Squares Problems

Basic Concepts

Recall $u, v \in \mathbb{C}^n$ are orthogonal if $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$

More generally, $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ is orthogonal if $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = 0$ for $i \neq j$.

It is orthonormal if $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$

$$\Rightarrow \|v_i\|_2^2 = \langle v_i, v_i \rangle = \delta_{ii} = 1$$

Set $A_{n \times k} = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_k]$.

$$A^*A = I \Leftrightarrow \{v_1, \dots, v_k\} \text{ is o.n. (orthonormal)}$$

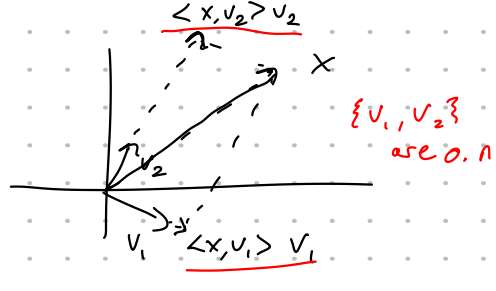
Say $[v_1, \dots, v_n]$ is a basis for \mathbb{C}^n . Then for $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$,

$$\exists! \text{ "unique" } c_i \in \mathbb{C} \text{ s.t. } x = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i v_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle x, v_j \rangle = \langle \sum_{i=1}^n c_i v_i, v_j \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \delta_{ij} = c_j$$

$i \neq j, \delta_{ij} = 0$

$$\text{Thus, } x = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, v_i \rangle v_i$$



Gram-Schmidt Process

Given a linearly indep't set $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ of vectors in \mathbb{C}^n ($k \leq n$) we can generate an o.n. set $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ by

$$u_k = \frac{v_k - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \langle v_k, u_i \rangle u_i}{\|v_k - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \langle v_k, u_i \rangle u_i\|_2}$$

Exercise Prove that $U^*U = I$ for $U = [u_1, \dots, u_k]$

$$e.g. u_1 = \frac{v_1 - \sum_{i \neq 1} \langle v_1, u_i \rangle u_i}{\|v_1 - \sum_{i \neq 1} \langle v_1, u_i \rangle u_i\|_2} \quad \text{since } i \neq 1, \sum_{i \neq 1} = 0$$

$$u_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|_2} \text{ unit vector.}$$

$$u_2 = \frac{v_2 - \sum_{i \neq 2} \langle v_2, u_i \rangle u_i}{\|v_2 - \sum_{i \neq 2} \langle v_2, u_i \rangle u_i\|_2} = \frac{v_2 - \langle v_2, u_1 \rangle u_1}{\|v_2 - \langle v_2, u_1 \rangle u_1\|_2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle &= C \langle v_1, v_2 - \langle v_2, u_1 \rangle u_1 \rangle \\ &= C (\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle - \langle v_1, \langle v_2, u_1 \rangle u_1 \rangle) \\ &= C (\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle - \overbrace{\langle v_2, u_1 \rangle}^{\uparrow} \underbrace{\langle v_1, u_1 \rangle}_{\uparrow}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|_2} &= C (\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle - \overbrace{\langle v_2, \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|_2} \rangle}^{\uparrow} \underbrace{\langle v_1, \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|_2} \rangle}_{\uparrow}) \\ &= C (\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle - \frac{1}{\|v_1\|_2^2} \overbrace{\langle v_2, v_1 \rangle}^{\uparrow} \underbrace{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle}_{\uparrow}) \\ &= C (\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle - \overbrace{\langle v_2, v_1 \rangle}^{\uparrow}) = C (\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle - \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\langle u_1, u_2 \rangle = 0$