

7.6 Repeated Eigenvalues (continued)

from last time: $\vec{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} -11 & 0 & -4 \\ -1 & -9 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$

$$\lambda = -9, -9, -9$$

one ordinary eigenvector: $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

missing two eigenvectors

one way to find the missing ones:

let $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ (ordinary eigenvector)

the other two are generalized ones

$$(A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_1$$

$$(A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_3 = \vec{v}_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \dots \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{free}$$

now $(A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_3 = \vec{v}_2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & -4 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{free}$$

solutions: $\vec{x}_1 = e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}_1 = e^{-5t} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ \vec{v}_1 is ordinary eigenvector

$$\vec{x}_2 = e^{\lambda t} (t \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2) = e^{-5t} \left(t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

\hookrightarrow generalized eigenvector

$$\vec{x}_3 = e^{\lambda t} \left(\frac{t^2}{2} \vec{v}_1 + t \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3 \right)$$

$$= e^{-5t} \left(\frac{t^2}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

general solution: $\vec{x} = c_1 \vec{x}_1 + c_2 \vec{x}_2 + c_3 \vec{x}_3$

2nd method: find \vec{v}_3 first, then find \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_1

$$(A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_1 = \vec{0} \quad \text{because } \vec{v}_1 \text{ is an ordinary e-vector}$$

$$(A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_1$$

$$(A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_3 = \vec{v}_2$$

multiply by $(A - \lambda I)$

$$(A - \lambda I)^2 \vec{v}_3 = (A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_1$$

multiply again

$$(A - \lambda I)^3 \vec{v}_3 = (A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_1 = \vec{0} \rightarrow (A - \lambda I)^3 \vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$$

$$(A - \lambda I)^3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & -4 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & -4 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & -4 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

if A is missing n e-vectors
then $(A - \lambda I)^{n+1} = [0]$ zero matrix

$$(A - \lambda I)^3 \vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{(A - \lambda I)^3} \underbrace{\vec{0}}_{\vec{0}}$$

$\rightarrow \vec{v}_3$ is arbitrary
(all components free)

Pick ANY \vec{v}_3 EXCEPT any linear combo or multiple of ordinary eigenvector or $\vec{0}$

ord. e-vector : $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ pick $\vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ($\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ also ok)

now \vec{v}_2 : $(A - \lambda I)\vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & -4 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{v}_2$$

now \vec{v}_1 : $(A - \lambda I)\vec{v}_1 = \vec{v}_1$

do this even though we have ord. e-vector already: the \vec{v}_1 here may or may not be the ord. e-vector \rightarrow use this for solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & -4 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

matches the ord. one but this doesn't always happen

Solutions: $\vec{x}_1 = e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}_1$

$$\vec{x}_2 = e^{\lambda t} (t \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2)$$

$$\vec{x}_3 = e^{\lambda t} \left(\frac{t^2}{2} \vec{v}_1 + t \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3 \right)$$

now: A is 3×3 , missing one e^{-} vector

$$\vec{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 & -2 \\ 8 & -5 & -4 \\ -4 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$$

$$\lambda = 1, 1, 1$$

two ordinary eigenvectors: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$

first two solutions are easy: $e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}_1 = e^t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$
 $e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}_2 = e^t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$
ordinary e -vectors

the missing solution looks like this:

$$e^{\lambda t} (t \vec{u} + \vec{v}_3)$$

some linear combo of the ordinary ones

$$\vec{u} = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2$$

$$\text{and } (A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_3 = \vec{u}$$

First method: find \vec{u} from \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 (ordinary e-vectors)

$$(A - \lambda I) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 & -2 \\ 8 & -6 & -4 \\ -4 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_3 = \vec{u} = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ 2c_2 \\ 2c_1 - 3c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 & -2 & c_1 \\ 8 & -6 & -4 & 2c_2 \\ -4 & 3 & 2 & 2c_1 - 3c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

consistent only if 2nd row is $2 \times$ 1st

$$\rightarrow 2c_2 = 2 \cdot c_1 \rightarrow c_1 = c_2 \quad \text{don't want } \vec{u} = \vec{0}$$

now choose c_1 or c_2

$$\text{here, } c_1 = 2 \quad \text{so} \quad c_2 = 2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 & -2 & 2 \\ 8 & -6 & -4 & 4 \\ -4 & 3 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_3 = \vec{u}$$

$$\rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3/4 & -1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4}a + \frac{1}{2}b \\ a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

choose $a=0, b=-1$

$$\vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u} &= c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 \\ &= 2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \\ \vec{u} &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

3rd solution: $e^{\lambda t} (t\vec{u} + \vec{v}_3)$

$$= e^t \left(t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

1st & 2nd: $e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}_1, e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}_2$

2nd method : find \vec{v}_3 , then find \vec{u} from $(A-\lambda I)\vec{v}_3 = \vec{u}$

same knowns:

$$A-\lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 & -2 \\ 8 & -6 & -4 \\ -4 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda = 1, 1, 1$$

ordinary eigenvectors : $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$(A-\lambda I)\vec{v}_1 = \vec{0}$$

$$(A-\lambda I)\vec{v}_2 = \vec{0}$$

$$(A-\lambda I)\vec{v}_3 = \vec{u} = c_1\vec{v}_1 + c_2\vec{v}_2$$

multiply by $A-\lambda I$

$$(A-\lambda I)^2\vec{v}_3 = c_1 \underbrace{(A-\lambda I)\vec{v}_1}_{\vec{0}} + c_2 \underbrace{(A-\lambda I)\vec{v}_2}_{\vec{0}} = \vec{0}$$

$$(A-\lambda I)^2\vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$$

$$(A - \lambda I)^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 & -2 \\ 8 & -6 & -4 \\ -4 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 & -2 \\ 8 & -6 & -4 \\ -4 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

of missing e-vector + 1 = $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$(A - \lambda I)^2 \vec{v}_3 = \vec{0} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

\vec{v}_3 is arbitrary except: NOT $\vec{0}$

NOT dep. from either true e-vectors

so, pick something linearly indep. from $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\boxed{\vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}} \text{ or } \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ +2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

now find \vec{u} : $(A - \lambda I) \vec{v}_3 = \vec{u}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 & -2 \\ 8 & -6 & -4 \\ -4 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

finally,

$$\vec{x}_3 = e^{\lambda t} (t\vec{u} + \vec{v}_3) = e^t \left(t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

3rd solution

first two: $e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}_1 = e^t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$e^{\lambda t} \vec{v}_2 = e^t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$