


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

  $A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$      $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$   
 $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$   
 $\lambda$  scalar

$$\Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)\vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

in order that  $\vec{x}$  be in  
the null space of  $A$ ,  
we must have

$$\text{Det}(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

in this example

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

$$\text{Det}(A - \lambda I) = (1-\lambda)(1+\lambda) + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\lambda^2 + 1 + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 = 2 \quad \sqrt{\lambda} = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

Now for the  $\vec{x}$  vector

$$A\vec{x} = \lambda x$$

Case 1  $\lambda = \sqrt{2}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{2} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = \sqrt{2} x$$

$$x - y = \sqrt{2} y$$

$$x = (1 + \sqrt{2}) y$$

plug in for x

$$(1 + \sqrt{2})y + y = \sqrt{2}(1 + \sqrt{2})y$$

$$1 + \sqrt{2} + 1 = \sqrt{2} + 2$$

identity does not  
constrain y.

So pick y and then

$$x = (1 + \sqrt{2})y$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Case 2  $\lambda = -\sqrt{2}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = -\sqrt{2} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = -\sqrt{2} x$$

$$x - y = -\sqrt{2} y$$

$x = (1 - \sqrt{2})y$ , as before

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

matrix of  $\xi$ -vectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 + \sqrt{2} & 1 - \sqrt{2} \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Diagonal matrix of  $\xi$ -values

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & \\ & -\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex.  $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  symmetric

char. polynomial

$$(5-\lambda)(2-\lambda) - (-2)(-2) = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 10 - 4 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 6 = 0$$

$$\lambda_{\pm} = \frac{7}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{49 - 24}$$

$$= \frac{7}{2} \pm \frac{5}{2} = 6, 1$$

Now compute the  $\varepsilon$ -vectors

we know that

$$A \vec{x} = \lambda_{\pm} \vec{x} \quad \text{so,}$$

solve this for each  
 $\lambda$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = c \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$5x - 2y = 6x \\ \Rightarrow -2y = x$$

$$\text{const} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

similarly

$$5x - 2y = x \\ \Rightarrow -2y = -4x \\ y = 2x$$

$$c \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Sigma$ -vectors are only det.  
up to a constant

$$A \vec{x} = \lambda \vec{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow A(\alpha \vec{x}) = \lambda(\alpha \vec{x})$$

So our  $\Sigma$ -vectors are

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{OK but} \\ \text{INCONV}$$

Take advantage of the nonuniqueness to normalize

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{length of each column is 1}$$

TRY this

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = ?$$

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Let  $\vec{x}_1$  be the  $\Sigma$ -vector assoc. with  $\lambda_1$

$$\{\vec{x}_1, \lambda_1\}, \quad \{\vec{x}_2, \lambda_2\}$$

$\Sigma$ -value,  $\Sigma$ -vector pairs

$$A \vec{x}_1 = \lambda_1 \vec{x}_1$$

$$A \vec{x}_2 = \lambda_2 \vec{x}_2 \quad \left. \vphantom{A \vec{x}_2} \right\} \text{become columns}$$

$$A \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}_1 & \vec{x}_2 \\ \vec{x}_1 & \vec{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}_1 & \vec{x}_2 \\ \vec{x}_1 & \vec{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Call this

$$AC = \Lambda C$$

↑  
diagonal matrix

then if  $C^{-1}$  exists  
we have

$$C^{-1}AC = \Lambda$$

matrix diagonal-  
ization

$C$  gives a change in  
coordinates in which  
 $A$  is diagonal

matrices [redacted]  
linear transformations

in general

$C^{-1}MC = D$   
is a [redacted] transf.

See p. 151 Boas

Symmetric matrices

$$A = A^T$$

Hermitian matrices

$$H = \overline{H^T} \equiv H^\dagger$$

Symm. matrices can be diagonalized by orthogonal matrices w/ real  $\xi$ -values

$$Q^T Q = I$$

Hermitian matrices can be diagonalized by unitary matrices w/ real  $\xi$ -values

$$U^\dagger U = I$$



For an  $n \times n$  matrix,  
the characteristic polynomial  
is  $n^{\text{th}}$  order.

Finding the root is  
hard then you

still must solve  $n$   
linear systems for  
the  $\Sigma$ -vectors!

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$$\text{Suppose } Q^T Q = I$$

$$\|Q\vec{x}\|^2 = (Qx, Qx)$$

$$= (x, Q^T Q x)$$

$$= (x, x) = \|\vec{x}\|^2$$

mathematic exapes