

Welcome to Ma 221! (Mar 10)

Eigenvalue Problems

Goals:

Canonical Forms (recall Jordan,
why Schur form is better)

Variations on eigenproblems
(not just one square matrix)

Perturbation theory
(can I trust my answer?)

Algorithms (for a single
nonsymmetric matrix:
Chap 5 for $A=A^T$)

Webpage: Templates for Solution
of Algebraic Eigenvalue Problems

Recall Definitions

Def: $p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$ is
characteristic polynomial
 n roots \rightarrow eigen values

Def: if λ eigenvalue, \exists nonzero
null vector x of $(A - \lambda I)x \Rightarrow Ax = \lambda x$
 x right eigenvector

Analogously $\exists y^t$ st. $y^t(A - \lambda I) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow y^t A = \lambda y^t$, y^t left eigenvector

Def: S nonsingular and $B = SAS^{-1}$
 S is a similarity transform
 A and B similar

Lemma: A and B similar \Rightarrow have
same evals, and evcs related
by multiplying by S :

$$\text{pf: } Ax = \lambda x \text{ iff } \underbrace{SAS^{-1}}_B Sx = \lambda Sx$$

$$B(Sx) = \lambda(Sx)$$

$$y^t A = \lambda y^t \text{ iff } y^t S^{-1} \underbrace{SAS^{-1}}_B = \lambda y^t S^{-1}$$

$$(y^t S^{-1}) B = \lambda (y^t S^{-1})$$

Goal: Transform A to a
simpler and similar B whose
evals and evcs are "easy" to compute

Simplest: B diagonal

\Rightarrow eigenvalues are $B(i,i)$, evecs = $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}_i$

Lemma: if $Ax_i = \lambda_i x_i$ for $i=1:n$
and $S = [x_1, \dots, x_n]$ nonsingular

i.e. \exists n linearly independent evecs

$$\text{Then } A = S \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \cdot S^{-1}$$

Conversely if $A = S \Lambda S^{-1}$, Λ diagonal
then columns of S are evecs

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proof: } A = S \Lambda S^{-1} & \text{ iff } AS = S \Lambda \\ & \text{ iff } AS[:,i] = S[:,i] \cdot \lambda_i \quad \forall i \\ & \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \\ & \quad \quad \text{evec} \quad \quad \text{eval} \end{aligned}$$

But we can't always "diagonalize" A
for 2 reasons:

may be mathematically impossible
(recall Jordan Form)

may be unstable, even if it exists
(when eigenvalues very close)

Recall Jordan Form: For any A

$$\exists \text{ similarity } SAS^{-1} = J = \text{diag}(J_1, \dots, J_k)$$

$$\text{where each } J_i = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_i & 1 & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_i \end{bmatrix}$$

Up to permuting order of J_i ,
this is unique. different J_i can
have equal λ_i , eg $A = I$

Only one right or left evec per block

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

can't diagonalize

Why **not** compute Jordan Form?

Consider slightly perturbed 2×2 I

$$(1) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1+e \end{bmatrix} : (1, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}), (1+e, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix})$$

$$(2) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & e \\ e & 1 \end{bmatrix} : (1+e, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}), (1-e, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix})$$

evecs rotated 45°

$$(3) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \epsilon \\ 0 & 1+\epsilon^2 \end{bmatrix} : (1, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}), (1+\epsilon^2, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \epsilon \end{bmatrix})$$

vecs nearly parallel

$$(4) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \epsilon \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : (1, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}) \quad \text{just one} \\ \text{vec}$$

$$(5) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : (1, \text{anything}), (1, \text{anything})$$

When evals (nearly) identical

Jordan Form very ill conditioned

Our goal: backward stability:

exact evals, vecs of $A+E$, $\frac{\|E\|}{\|A\|} = O(\epsilon)$

Backward Stable approach to
eigen problem:

Recall Chap 3: Multiplying by
multiple orthogonal matrices
backward stable

$$fl(Q_k(\dots(Q_2(Q_1 A)) \dots)) = Q(A + E)$$

\uparrow exact orthogonal $\frac{\|E\|}{\|A\|} = O(\epsilon)$

Apply twice to orthogonal similarity

$$fl(Q_k(\dots(Q_2(Q_1 A Q_1^T) Q_2^T) \dots) Q_k^T) = Q(A + F) Q^T$$

\uparrow exact orthog $\frac{\|F\|}{\|A\|} = O(\epsilon)$

If we restrict similarity S to be orthogonal, how close to Jordan form can we get?

Thm (Schur canonical form)

Given an $n \times n$ A \exists unitary Q
 $Q Q^H = I$ s.t. $Q^H A Q = T =$ upper triangular
 with evals $T(i, i)$ which can appear in any order

Computing evecs of T : just triangular solve!

$$\begin{matrix}
 i-1 \\
 1 \\
 n-i
 \end{matrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 T_{11} & T_{12} & T_{13} \\
 & T(i,i) & T_{23} \\
 & & T_{33}
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 x_1 \\
 x_2 \\
 x_3
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{matrix}
 i-1 \\
 1 \\
 n-i
 \end{matrix}
 = T(i,i)
 \begin{bmatrix}
 x_1 \\
 x_2 \\
 x_3
 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_{11} x_1 + T_{12} x_2 + T_{13} x_3 = T(i,i) x_1$$

$$T(i,i) x_2 + T_{23} x_3 = T(i,i) x_2$$

$$T_{33} x_3 = T(i,i) x_3$$

if $T(i,i)$ unique then only solution to

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_{33} - T(i,i) \mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix} x_3 = 0 \text{ is } x_3 = 0$$

$$T(i,i) x_2 = T(i,i) x_2 : x_2 = 1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_{11} - T(i,i) \mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix} x_1 = -T_{12}$$

nonsingular triangular system,

since $T(i,i)$ unique

What does $[V, D] = \text{eig} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$ do?
try it!

proof that Schur Form exists!

choose any λ , corresponding x : $Ax = \lambda x$
 $\|x\|_2 = 1$

Let $Q = [x, Q']$ be unitary

$$\begin{aligned} Q^* A Q &= \begin{bmatrix} x^* \\ Q'^* \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ Q' \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{array}{c|c} x^* A x & x^* A Q' \\ \hline Q'^* A x & Q'^* A Q' \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \lambda x^* x & x^* A Q' \\ \hline \lambda Q'^* x & Q'^* A Q' \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \lambda & x^* A Q' \\ \hline 0 & Q'^* A Q' \end{array} \right]$$

apply induction to $Q'^* A Q' = U^* \overset{\text{unitary}}{\downarrow} T U$

$$Q^* A Q = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \lambda & x^* A Q' \\ \hline 0 & U^* T U \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \left[\begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & U^* \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \lambda & x^* A Q' U^* \\ \hline 0 & T \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & U \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & U \end{array} \right]}_{\text{unitary}} Q^* A Q \underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & U^* \end{array} \right]}_{\text{unitary (inverse)}} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \lambda & x^* A Q' U^* \\ \hline 0 & T \end{array} \right]$$

what about real matrices
with complex evals?

Real matrices can have complex
eigenvalues, special case: $A = A^T$
all real evals, Chap 5

Prefer real arithmetic for real A :

reduce # flops

less memory

make sure that evals, evecs

appear in complex conjugate pairs

$$Ax = \lambda x \Rightarrow A\bar{x} = \bar{\lambda}\bar{x}$$

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real complex

Instead of $T =$ upper triangular
use block triangular

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & & T_{1j} \\ & T_{22} & \\ & \bigcirc & \ddots \\ & & & T_{kk} \end{bmatrix}$$

evals of $T = \bigcup_i$ evals of T_{ii} (HW 4.1)

goal: have 2×2 blocks T_{ii} for
complex conjugate evals
each T_{ii} either real and 1×1 or
 2×2 with eigs $\lambda, \bar{\lambda}$

Thm (Real Schur Canonical Form):

Given real A , \exists real orthogonal Q
s.t. QAQ^T is block upper triangular
with 1×1 and 2×2 blocks

Generalize to "invariant subspace"

Def: $V = \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_m\} = \text{span}(X)$ $X = [x_1, \dots, x_m]$
be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . V invariant
if $A \cdot V = \text{span}(A \cdot X) \subseteq V$

Ex: $V = \text{span}\{x\} = \{\alpha x \text{ for all scalars } \alpha\}$
where $Ax = \lambda x$
 $AV = \{A(\alpha x), \text{ all } \alpha\} = \{\alpha \lambda x, \text{ all } \alpha\}$
 $\subseteq V$ ($= V$ unless $\lambda = 0$)

Ex: $V = \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_k\} = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i x_i \mid \forall \alpha_i \right\}$
where $Ax_i = d_i x_i$
 $AV = \left\{ A\left(\sum \alpha_i x_i\right) \right\} = \left\{ \sum \alpha_i A x_i \right\} = \left\{ \sum \alpha_i d_i x_i \right\}$
 $\subseteq V$

Lemma: $V = \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_m\} = \text{span}(X)$
be invariant subspace of A

Then $\exists B: AX = X \cdot B$
 $\square \square = \square \square$

the evals of B are evals of A

proof: existence of B follows from def:
 $Ax_i \in V \Rightarrow \exists$ scalars $B(1,i), B(2,i) \dots B(m,i)$
 s.t. $Ax_i = \sum_{j=1}^m x_j B(j,i)$ i.e. $AX = XB$
 $Bx = \lambda x \Rightarrow A(Xx) = XBx = X\lambda x = \lambda(Xx)$

Lemma: $V = \text{span}(X)$ be m -dimensional invariant subspace, so $AX = XB$

$X = QR$ Let $[Q, Q']$ be square, orthogonal
 $Q = Q^T$

$$[Q, Q']^T A [Q, Q'] = \begin{matrix} m & n-m \\ \hline A_{11} & A_{12} \\ \hline 0 & A_{22} \end{matrix}$$

$A_{11} = RBR^{-1}$ has same evals as B

proof: $[Q, Q']^T A [Q, Q'] = \begin{bmatrix} Q^T A Q & Q^T A Q' \\ Q'^T A Q & Q'^T A Q' \end{bmatrix}$
 $= \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$

$$AQ = AXR^{-1} = XBR^{-1} = QRBR^{-1}$$

$$A_{11} = Q^T AQ = \underbrace{Q^T Q}_{I} RBR^{-1} = RBR^{-1}$$

$$A_{21} = \underbrace{Q'^T Q}_0 RBR^{-1} = 0$$

Proof of Real Schur form:

if $Ax = \lambda x$, x, λ real reduce to $n-1 \times n-1$ problem as before

if x, λ complex, take real, imag parts of $Ax = \lambda x$

$$X = [\operatorname{re}(x), \operatorname{im}(x)] \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{re}(\lambda) & \operatorname{im}(\lambda) \\ -\operatorname{im}(\lambda) & \operatorname{re}(\lambda) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AX = XB \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{first col } \operatorname{re}(Ax) = \operatorname{re}(\lambda x) \\ \text{second " } \operatorname{im}(Ax) = \operatorname{im}(\lambda x) \end{array}$$

X invariant subspace, real
evals(B) are $\lambda, \bar{\lambda}$

use Lemma to do orthogonal (real)
similarity to get $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ 0 & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$

evals of $A_{11} = RBR^T$ are $\lambda, \bar{\lambda}$

Review other eigenproblems

(1) ODE $x'(t) = Kx(t)$

If $Kx(0) = \lambda x(0)$ then

$$x(t) = e^{\lambda t} x(0)$$

similar if $x(0) =$ linear combo
of evecs

$$(2) \quad Mx''(t) + Kx(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 M x(0) + K x(0) = 0$$

"generalized eigen problem"

$$\det(\lambda' M + K) = 0 \quad \text{where } \lambda' = \lambda^2$$

$$(3) \quad Mx''(t) + Dx(t) + Kx(t) = 0$$

\Rightarrow "nonlinear eigenproblems"

$$\lambda^2 M x(0) + \lambda D x(0) + K x(0) = 0$$

reduce to linear problem (2 matrices)
of $2 \times$ size

$$(4) \quad x'(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$$

"linear control system"

turns into singular eigenproblem

$$\begin{bmatrix} B & A \end{bmatrix}^m \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \end{bmatrix}^m$$

All ideas of Chap 4:

Jordan form, Schur form, algs
generalize to all these cases

We concentrate on one

nonsymmetric A

(see Chap 4.5 for other cases)

Next topic: Perturbation Theory