

Overview of Topics:

- ① Eigenvalues & eigenvectors to diagonalize  $\dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A}\underline{x}$
- ② Geometry of e-vals, e-vecs
- ③ Evals & Evecs in general
- ④ Examples
- ⑤ Solution to  $\dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A}\underline{x}$

Recall: To "diagonalize"  $\dot{x} = Ax$

i.e. to change coordinates  $x = Tz$

so that dynamics are diagonal:  $\dot{z} = Dz$

We need to solve the

eigen value equation:

$$AT = TD$$

columns of  $T$   
are eigenvectors

diagonal entries of  $D$   
are eigenvalues.

Eigenvalues & Eigenvectors

'Eigen' = latent or characteristic

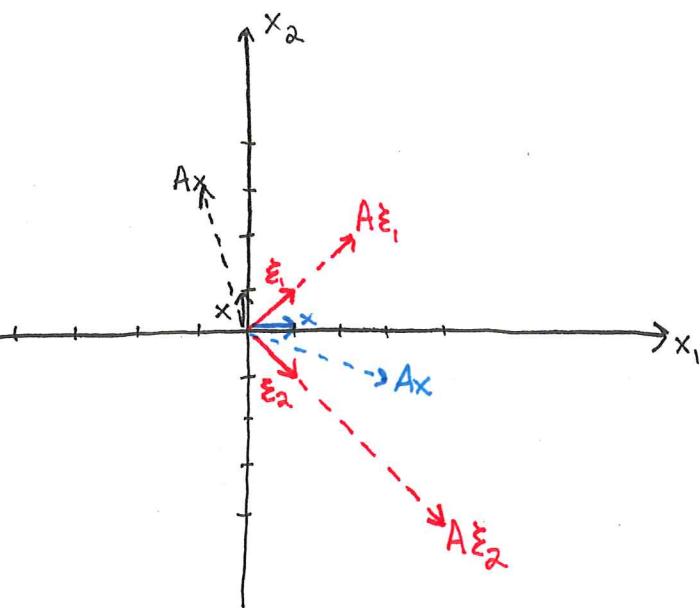
$Ax = \lambda x$  for special vectors  $x$   
and special values  $\lambda$ .

Eigenvalue eq<sup>n</sup> for single eigen pair  $(x, \lambda)$ .

Example :  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

try  $\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow A\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

try  $\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow A\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$



Special  $\underline{\xi}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow A\underline{\xi}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

✗

$\lambda_1 = 2$

Special  $\underline{\xi}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow A\underline{\xi}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$

✗

$\lambda_2 = 4$

[Exactly 2 eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$   
and 2 eigenvectors  $\underline{\xi}_1, \underline{\xi}_2$ .]

Eigenvalues & Eigenvectors in general:

$$A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{I}\mathbf{x}$$

identity matrix

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

Case 1 :  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  (not interesting)

Case 2 :  $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$  and  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

" $A - \lambda I$ " is singular

meaning that it maps some vectors to  $\mathbf{0}$ .

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

polynomial equation  
whose roots are eigenvalues!

Characteristic Equation

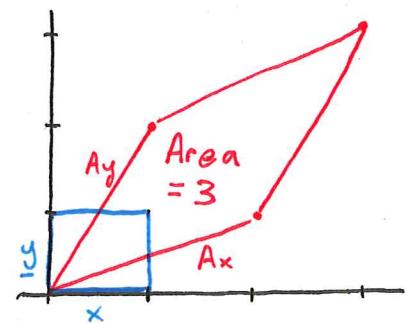
Remember  $3 \times 3$  determinant...

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{bmatrix} = b_{11} \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{32} & b_{33} \end{pmatrix} - b_{12} \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} b_{21} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{33} \end{pmatrix} + b_{13} \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} b_{21} & b_{22} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} \end{pmatrix}$$

Determinant measures the volume  
of a unit cube after mapping  
through  $A$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= 4 - 1 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$



Example:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 3-\lambda & -1 \\ -1 & 3-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$

Step 1  
Compute  $\lambda$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (3-\lambda)^2 - 1 \\ = \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 8 = (\lambda-4)(\lambda-2) = 0$$

Recall

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(B) = b_{11}b_{22} - b_{12}b_{21}$$

$\Rightarrow$  eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = 4$ .

$\lambda_1 = 2$ :  $A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Step 2  
compute  $x$  given  $\lambda$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

$\xi_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_1 = 2$

Note  $\xi = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \dots$   
also work...

$\lambda_2 = 4$ :  $A - 4I = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x_1 = -x_2$$

$\xi_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_2 = 4$

$$\gg [T, D] = \text{eig}(A)$$

$$D = T^{-1}AT \Rightarrow A = TDT^{-1}$$

$$A^2 = \underbrace{(TDT^{-1})}_{T^{-1}T=I} \underbrace{(TDT^{-1})}_{T^{-1}T=I}$$

$$= TD^2T^{-1}$$

$$A^3 = \underbrace{(TDT^{-1})}_{=I} \underbrace{(TDT^{-1})}_{=I} \underbrace{(TDT^{-1})}_{=I}$$

$$= TD^3T^{-1}$$

⋮

$$A^N = TD^NT^{-1}$$

$$e^{At} = I + At + \frac{1}{2!}A^2t^2 + \frac{1}{3!}A^3t^3 + \dots$$

$$= T \left[ I + Dt + \frac{1}{2!}D^2t^2 + \frac{1}{3!}D^3t^3 + \dots \right] T^{-1}$$

$$= Te^{Dt}T^{-1}$$

$$\implies \underline{x}(t) = T e^{Dt} T^{-1} \underline{x}(0)$$

is solution to  $\dot{\underline{x}} = A \underline{x}$ .

$$\gg [T, D] = \text{eig}(A)$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \xi_1 & \xi_2 & \dots & \xi_n \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D^N = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^N & & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2^N & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{\underline{x}} = A \underline{x}, \underline{x}(0)$$

$$\implies \dot{\underline{x}}(t) = T e^{Dt} \underbrace{T^{-1} \underline{x}(0)}_{\underline{z}(0)}$$

write IC  
in  $\underline{z}$ -coords

$\underbrace{\underline{z}(t)}_{\underline{x}(t)}$  ①      ②      ③

①  $\underline{x} = T\underline{z} \Rightarrow \underline{z}(0) = T^{-1} \underline{x}(0)$   
 ②  $\dot{\underline{z}}(t) = e^{Dt} \underline{z}(0)$  solve  $\dot{\underline{z}} = D\underline{z}$   
 ③  $\underline{x}(t) = T\underline{z}(t)$  transform solution  $\underline{z}(t)$   
 back to  $\underline{x}(t)$ ...

Example  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

to compute  $T^{-1}$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & | & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & | & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & | & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & | & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & .5 & .5 \\ 0 & 1 & | & .5 & -.5 \end{bmatrix}$

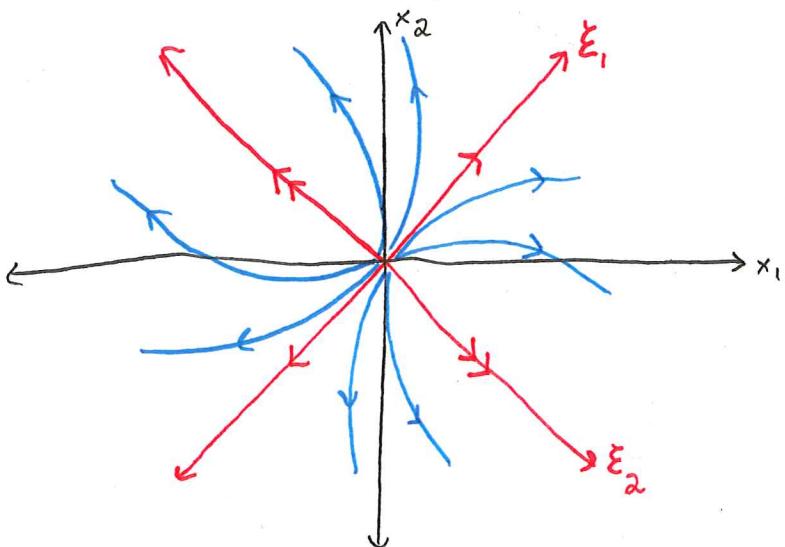
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & .5 & .5 \\ 0 & 1 & | & .5 & -.5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow T^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} .5 & .5 \\ .5 & -.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

In Matlab, check  $T^{-1}AT = D$

$$\underline{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{4t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .5 & .5 \\ .5 & -.5 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}(0)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .5e^{2t} & .5e^{2t} \\ .5e^{4t} & -.5e^{4t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} + e^{4t} & e^{2t} - e^{4t} \\ e^{2t} - e^{4t} & e^{2t} + e^{4t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

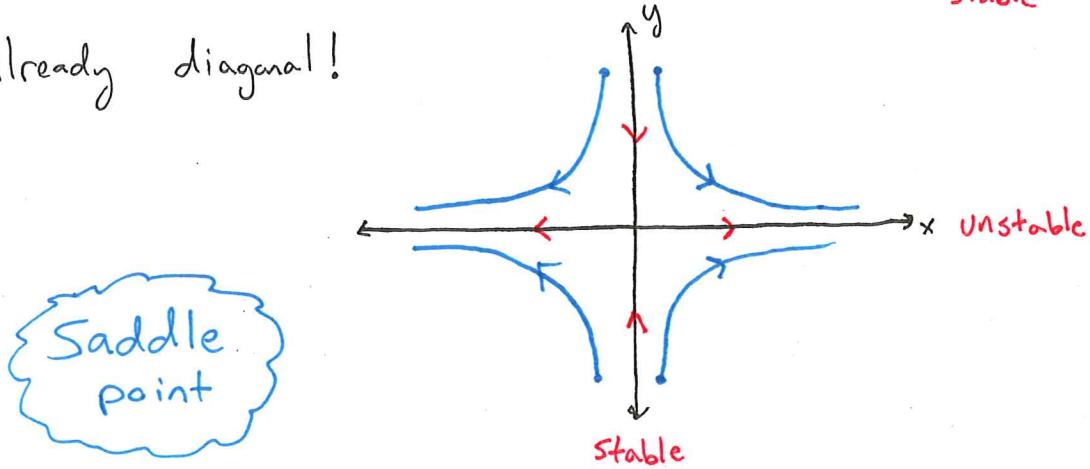


Try "ppplane" in  
Matlab

$$\text{Example : } \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^t & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ y(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

unstable  
stable

Already diagonal!



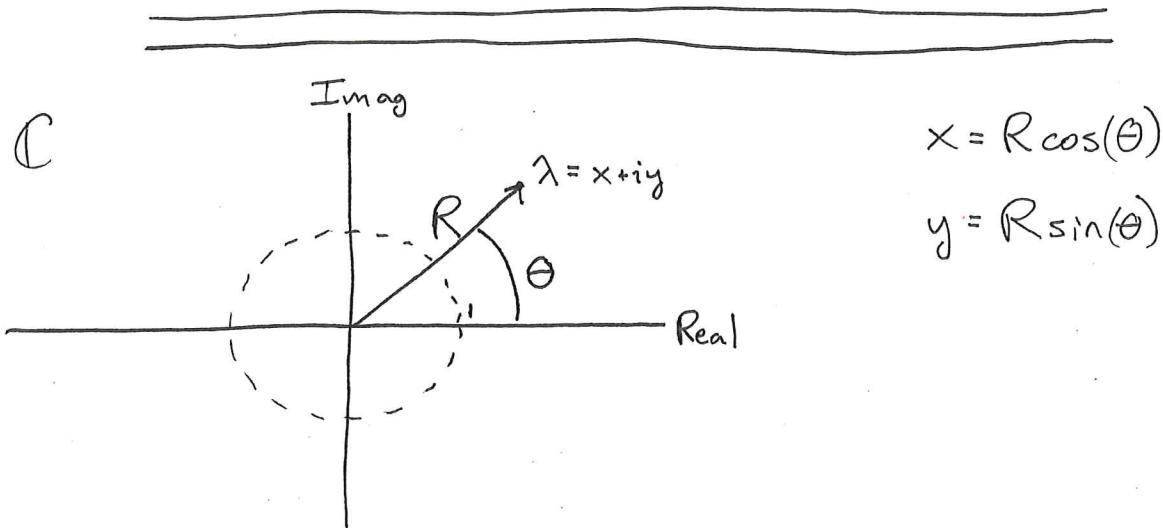
Example

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = \pm 2i} \quad \text{imaginary!}$$

More soon...



$$\lambda = (R, \theta) = Re^{i\theta}$$

$$\lambda^2 = (R^2, 2\theta) = R^2 e^{2i\theta}$$

$$\vdots$$
  

$$\lambda^N = (R^N, N\theta) = R^N e^{iN\theta}$$