

Further applications of Jordan Can. Form!

As we saw, JCF is the "closest" a matrix can be transformed via similar matrices, to being diagonal.

Diagonalizable is very handy for many things!

Determinants are easy, so are matrix powers.

Ex: Fibonacci #s: 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, ...

$$F_0 = F_1 = 1, F_{n+1} = F_n + F_{n-1}.$$

Record recursion as: $\begin{pmatrix} F_{n+1} \\ F_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} F_n \\ F_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$, set $X := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Thus, $\begin{pmatrix} F_{n+1} \\ F_n \end{pmatrix} = X^n \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, or $F_n = (0 \ 1) X^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

To compute X^n , we diagonalize. We saw this in JCF:

$$\text{Char}(X) = \begin{vmatrix} x-1 & 1 \\ 1 & x \end{vmatrix} = x^2 - x - 1 \rightarrow \text{roots (eigenvalues)}$$

Set $\varphi := \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$, $\gamma := \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$. $\rightarrow \text{char}(X) = (x-\varphi)(x-\gamma)$ Golden ratio + its real conjugate

$\lambda = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$

\nearrow elem. divisors

Then X is similar to $D = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma \end{pmatrix}$ (simple eigenvalues)

We discussed how the book gives an algorithm to find

P s.t. $X = P D^n P^{-1}$, but we can also do so directly.

So so, we compute eigen vectors for $\lambda = \varphi, \gamma$.

~~Setting~~ If we find v_1, v_2 s.t: $Xv_1 = \varphi v_1, Xv_2 = \gamma v_2$,
 setting $P := \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \end{pmatrix}$, $XP = (Xv_1, Xv_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi v_1 & \gamma v_2 \end{pmatrix}$
 $= (v_1, v_2) \begin{pmatrix} \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma \end{pmatrix} = \cancel{PDP} \Rightarrow X = P$
 $= PD \Rightarrow X = PDP^{-1}$

This last step is allowed since the eigenvalues are distinct
 \Rightarrow the ~~eigenvalues~~ eigen vectors are lin. independent (clear in 2D case)
 $\Rightarrow P$ is invertible.

Returning to Fibonacci, to compute eigen vectors,

we compute null spaces of $\varphi I - X, \gamma I - X$
 via row operations (e.g: $\varphi I - X = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi-1 & -1 \\ -1 & \varphi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\gamma & -1 \\ -1 & \varphi \end{pmatrix}$
 $\xrightarrow{-\gamma R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & \varphi \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2]{-R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\varphi \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$ null space spanned by $\begin{pmatrix} \varphi \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$,
 take $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

then one computes $F_n = (0 \ 1) X^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = (0 \ 1) (PDP^{-1})^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
 $= (0 \ 1) P P^n P^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = (0 \ 1) P \begin{pmatrix} \varphi^n & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma^n \end{pmatrix} P^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
 $=$ (small calc.) ~~$\frac{\varphi^n - \gamma^n}{\sqrt{5}}$~~ Binet's Formula.

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$= \frac{\varphi^n - \gamma^n}{\varphi - \gamma}$

Cor! (First noted by Kepler)

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{n+1}/F_n = \varphi$

The app's of taking powers:

Markov chain: System where members of set change membership to several states over time, probability in each step is independent of time (spectral stochastic process)

Ex: P of its sunny, say in a model 80% chance sunny next day, 20% cloudy next day, if its cloudy, 50% chance sunny/cloudy next day.

Transition matrix: $P = \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & 0.5 \\ 0.2 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$ Columns consist of prob. adding to 1.

Sunny day rep. by vector $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. After one day, $P \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 \\ 0.2 \end{pmatrix}$ representing probabilities.

What happens after many days / on average?

$$\text{Char poly } (P) = x^2 - \text{tr}(P)x + (-1)^2 \det(P) = x^2 - 1.3x + 0.3$$

\rightarrow eigenvalues $\lambda = 1, 0.3 \rightarrow P$ is d'able,

$$P = M \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.3 \end{pmatrix} M^{-1}, \text{ some } M \Rightarrow P^n = M \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.3^n \end{pmatrix} M^{-1}$$

So as $n \rightarrow \infty$, P^n stabilizes to $M \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} M^{-1}$

\rightarrow Small comp $P^n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \begin{pmatrix} 5/7 & 5/7 \\ 2/7 & 2/7 \end{pmatrix}$ exponentially fast.

Note: $\begin{pmatrix} 5/7 \\ 2/7 \end{pmatrix}$ is a 1-eigen vector of P .

$\Rightarrow 5/7$ of days are sunny, $2/7$ are cloudy!

generally, a transition matrix P has all entries ^{non-neg.} p_{ij} ,
 (stochastic) columns sum to 1, \Rightarrow square.

or equivalently, $P^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

But P^T, P char- $(P^T) = \text{char}(P)$

$\Rightarrow P$ has 1 as an eigenvalue.

Thm If P is a transition matrix,
 then every eigenvalue λ has $|\lambda| \leq 1$.

If some power of P has all positive entries,
 then only $\lambda = 1$ has abs. value 1,
 and the 1-eigenspace is 1-dimensional.

Then, the limit $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P^n$ exists
 and has all columns equal to a steady state
 solⁿ of the Markov chain
 corr.

In general, may not get diagonalizable matrices,

but JCF is useful for taking powers too

Say $P = M J M^{-1}$, $J = \text{JCF}(P)$. Then $P^n = M J^n M^{-1}$,

$J^n = \begin{pmatrix} J_{m_1}^n(\lambda_1) & \dots & J_{m_s}^n(\lambda_s) \end{pmatrix}$, and blocks: $J_{m_i}^n(\lambda_i) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_i^n & n \lambda_i^{n-1} & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \end{pmatrix}$
 \uparrow take powers of blocks

and even better, on blocks, we have:

$$J_{m_i}^n(\lambda_i) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_i^n & \binom{n}{1} \lambda_i^{n-1} & \binom{n}{2} \lambda_i^{n-2} & \dots & \binom{n}{m_i-1} \lambda_i^{n-m_i+1} \\ 0 & \lambda_i^n & & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_i^n & \binom{n}{1} \lambda_i^{n-1} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ 0 & \dots & & 0 & \lambda_i^n \end{pmatrix}$$

size of block is $m_i \times m_i$,
and $n \geq m_i - 1$.

These examples are important in lots of places,
like Google page rank algorithm!