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- Eigenvalues/vectors
- Imaging lab
- Determinants

Module 1  
Wrap-up!

①

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda - 5)(\lambda + 1)$$

$$\lambda_1 = 5 \quad \lambda_2 = -1$$

$$E_5 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$E_{-1} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\vec{v}_1$$

$$\vec{v}_2$$

Note: Any

$\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  can be written as

$A \cdot A \cdot A \cdots A$

$$\vec{x} = \alpha_1 \vec{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \vec{v}_2$$

$$A^k \vec{x} = A^k (\alpha_1 \vec{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \vec{v}_2) = \alpha_1 5^k \vec{v}_1 + \alpha_2 (-1)^k \vec{v}_2$$

②

Consider  $\vec{x}(k) = A \vec{x}(k-1)$

$$\vec{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2\vec{v}_1 + 0 \cdot \vec{v}_2$$

$$\vec{x}(100) = 2 \cdot 5^{100} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{"unstable" system behavior}$$

$$\vec{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = 3\vec{v}_2$$

$$\vec{x}(100) = (-1)^{100} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

③

When we design systems, we generally want systems to have "stable" behavior

$$\vec{x}(n) = A \vec{x}(n-1)$$

↑  
design

i.e. all eigenvalues have magnitude  $< 1$ .

(or  $\leq 1$ , which may give rise to some nontrivial steady state).

④

Thm: Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  have distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \cdots \lambda_n$ . Let  $\vec{v}_1 \cdots \vec{v}_n$  be nonzero eigenvectors corresp. to  $\lambda_1 \cdots \lambda_n$ .

Then  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \cdots \vec{v}_n\}$  are linearly indep.

Pf (for 2x2 case):

Know:  $A\vec{v}_1 = \lambda_1\vec{v}_1 \quad \left| \quad \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \neq 0 \right.$   
 $A\vec{v}_2 = \lambda_2\vec{v}_2 \quad \left| \quad \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2 \right.$

Let's suppose that  $\vec{v}_1 = \alpha\vec{v}_2$ .

$$\lambda_1\vec{v}_1 = A\vec{v}_1 = A\alpha\vec{v}_2 = \alpha A\vec{v}_2 = \alpha\lambda_2\vec{v}_2 = \lambda_2\vec{v}_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 \quad \xrightarrow{\text{contradiction}}$$

WTS:

$\vec{v}_2$  not scalar multiple of  $\vec{v}_1$

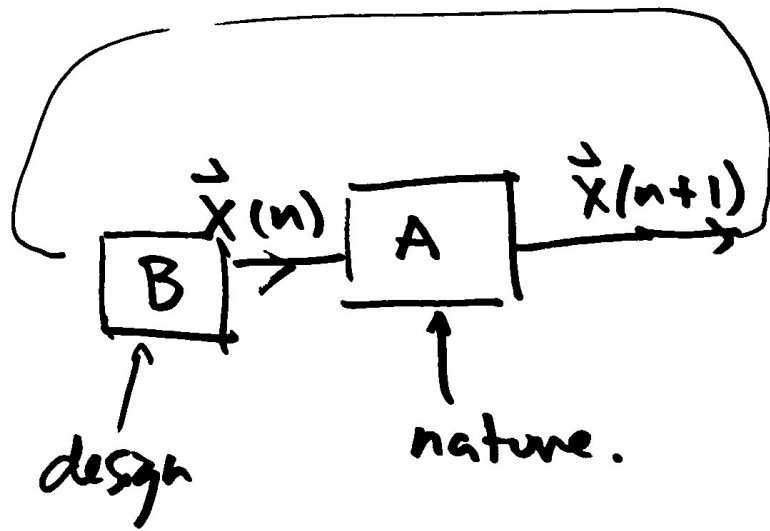
$$\vec{x}(k+1) = A \vec{x}(k) \quad , \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \quad \text{with distinct eivals } \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \quad (5)$$

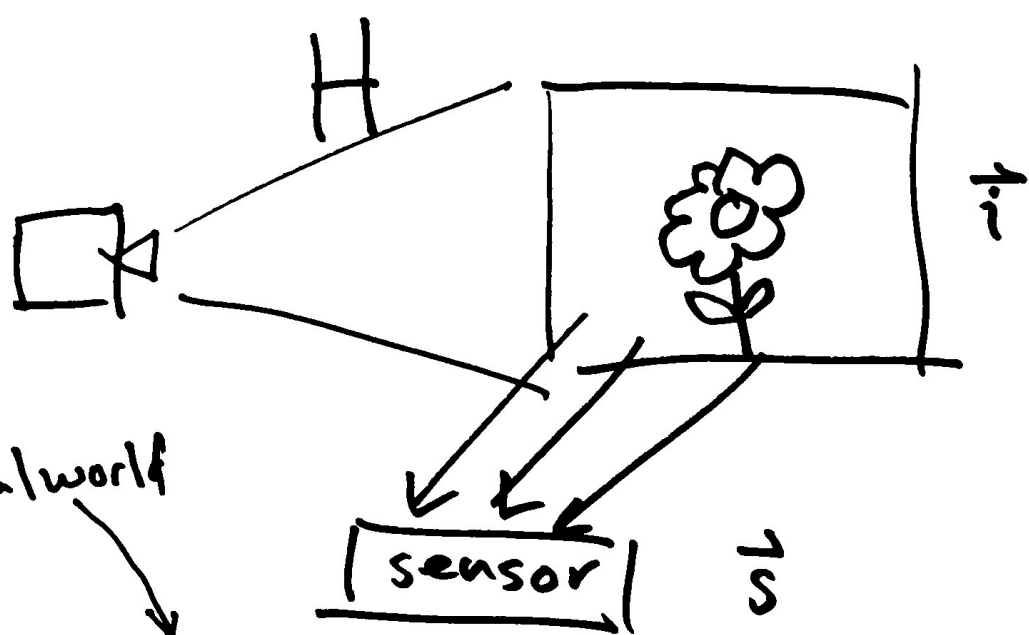
Q:  $\vec{x}(100) = ?$

Step 1: write  $\vec{x}(0) = \sum \alpha_i \vec{v}_i$ . (why?)

Step 2: 
$$\vec{x}(k) = A^k \vec{x}(0) = A^k \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \vec{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i A^k \vec{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i (\lambda_i)^k \vec{v}_i$$

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real world

$$\vec{s} = H\vec{i} + \vec{w}$$

noise

Perfect world:  $\vec{i} = H^{-1}\vec{s}$ .

(How to model "noise"  
see EECS 126)

$$\vec{s} = H\vec{i} + \vec{w}$$

$$\vec{i} = H^{-1}\vec{s} = \vec{i} + H^{-1}\vec{w}.$$

Q: What properties of  $H^{-1}$  would ensure  $H^{-1}\vec{w}$  is "small"

A: Eigenvalues of  $H^{-1}$  should be "small".

Q: If  $H$  invertible, how do eigenvalues of  $H^{-1}$  relate to those of  $H$ ?



Let  $(\lambda, \vec{x})$  be e.val/e.vec for  $H$ . (7)

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

left-mult. by  $H^{-1}$ :  $\vec{x} = \lambda H^{-1}\vec{x} \Rightarrow H^{-1}\vec{x} = \frac{1}{\lambda}\vec{x}$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}, \vec{x}\right) \text{ is e.val/e.vec for } H^{-1}.$$

when  $\lambda \neq 0$ .

Claim: If  $H$  is invertible, then all eigenvalues are nonzero. (Why?  $0 \neq \det(H) = \det(H - 0 \cdot I)$

$$= p_H(0)$$

$\Rightarrow 0$  is not a root of  $p_H$   
 $\Rightarrow 0$  is not e-value of  $H$ .

Summary: If  $H$  is invertible with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ , then  $H^{-1}$  has eigenvalues  $\frac{1}{\lambda_1}, \dots, \frac{1}{\lambda_n}$ . (10)

Also: if  $\vec{x}$  is an eigenvector of  $H$  for eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , then it is also an eigenvector of  $H^{-1}$  for eigenvalue  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ .

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Last observation of module 1.

$$p_A(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = \prod_{i=1}^n (\lambda_i - \lambda)$$

$\lambda_i$ 's =  
eigs  
of  $A$ .

$$\det(A) = p_A(0) = \prod \lambda_i$$

$\Rightarrow \det(A) = \text{product of eigenvalues.}$

Ex:  $\det(A^{-1}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\lambda_i} = \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} .$

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