

Lecture 26

Matrix Powers and
Dynamical Systems.

Diagonalization makes computing
matrix powers easy.

$$\text{IF } A = SDS^{-1} \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Then:

$$A^k = (SDS^{-1})^k$$

$$= (SDS^{-1})(SDS^{-1}) \dots (SDS^{-1})$$

$$= S D \cancel{(S^{-1}S)}^{\mathbb{I}} D \cancel{(S^{-1}S)}^{\mathbb{I}} \dots \cancel{(S^{-1}S)}^{\mathbb{I}} S$$

$$= S D D \dots D S^{-1}$$

$$= S D^k S^{-1} = S \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^k & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n^k \end{pmatrix} S^{-1}$$

Alternatively:

If $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, compute $A^k v$.

If v_1, \dots, v_n eigenbasis for A ,
we can write v in (v_1, \dots, v_n) -
coordinates.

$$v = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} A^k v &= A^k (c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) \\ &= c_1 A^k v_1 + c_2 A^k v_2 + \dots + c_n A^k v_n \\ &= c_1 \lambda_1^k v_1 + c_2 \lambda_2^k v_2 + \dots + c_n \lambda_n^k v_n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = S^{-1} v \quad S = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ v_1 & \dots & v_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}.$$

Example: let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Compute $A^k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ for all k .

Solution: Diagonalize A (if we can).

① Find eigenvalues

①A Compute char poly.

$$\text{Det}(A - tI) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-t & 3 \\ 4 & 3-t \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (2-t)(3-t) - 12$$

$$= -6 - 5t + t^2.$$

①B Find roots.

$$\frac{5 \pm \sqrt{5^2 + 4 \cdot 6}}{2}$$

$$\lambda = -1, \lambda = 6.$$

② Find eigenbasis

For each eigenvalue λ
Compute λ -eigenspace

$$E_{\lambda} = \ker(A - \lambda I).$$

Choose basis + concatenate.

$$\lambda = -1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 2+1 & 3 \\ 4 & 3+1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Rref}(A - \lambda I) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_{-1} = \text{Ker}(\text{Rref}(A - \lambda I)) \\ = \text{Span}([1, -1]).$$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 6$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 2-6 & 3 \\ 4 & 3-6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 3 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Rref}(A - \lambda I) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3/4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$E_6 = \text{Ker}(A - \lambda I) = \text{Span}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

v_1, v_2 is a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 .

③ Make D and S .

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

So $A = SDS^{-1}$.

④ Compute S^{-1} .

$$S^{-1} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} & = & \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{A} & & \text{S} & \text{D} & S^{-1} \end{matrix}$$

⑤ Remember the problem.

$$\begin{aligned} A^k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} &= (S D S^{-1})^k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= S D^k S^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2$$

where $\begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = S^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$

$$= S^{-1} v$$

$$S^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4/7 \\ 1/7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

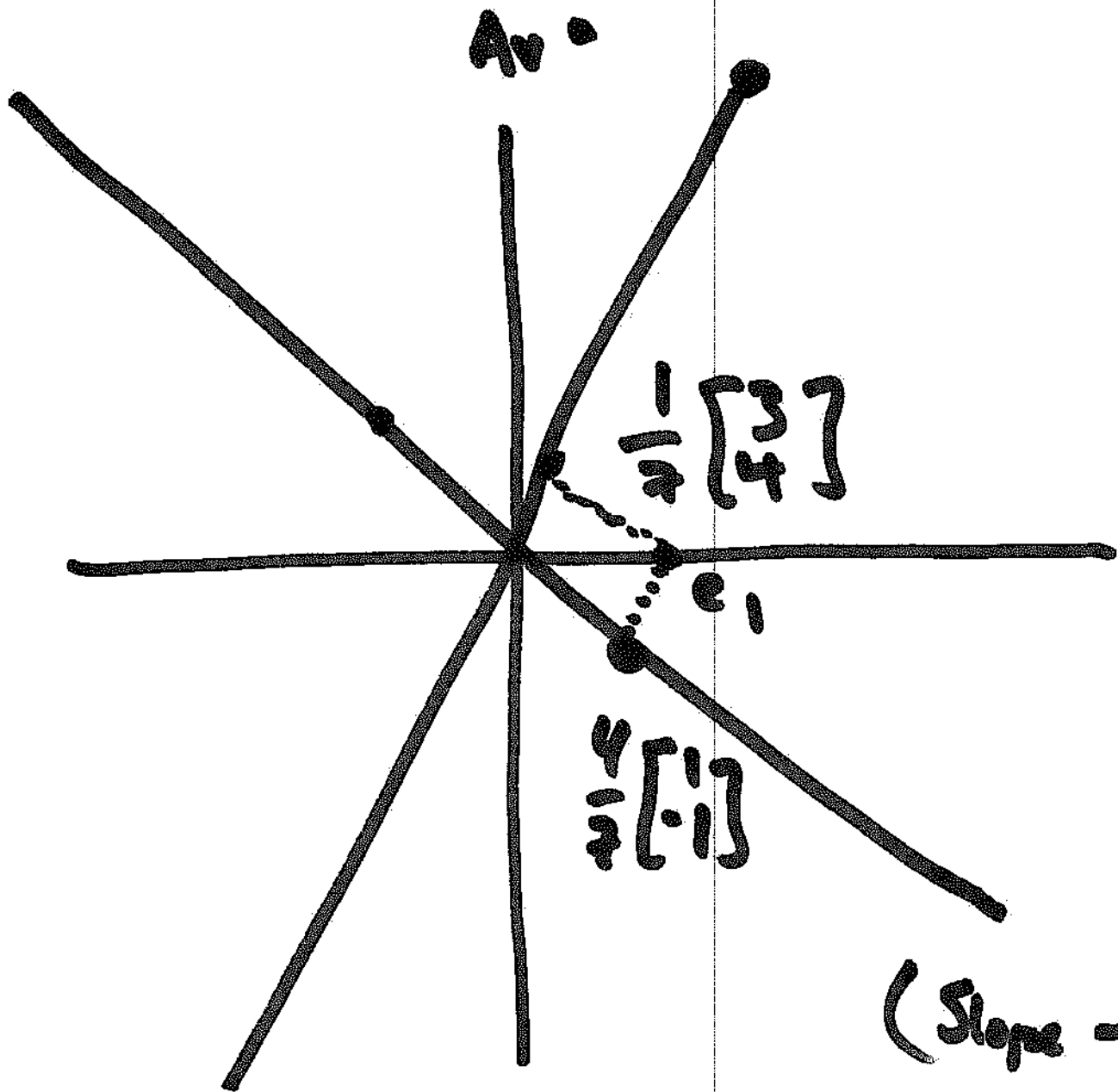
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{4}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$A^k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{4}{7} A^k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{7} A^k \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{4}{7} (-1)^k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{7} (-1)^k \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

END. \square

How does A act on $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$?



(Slope $4/3$)

6 - eigenspace

$$Av = 6v$$

(Slope -1)

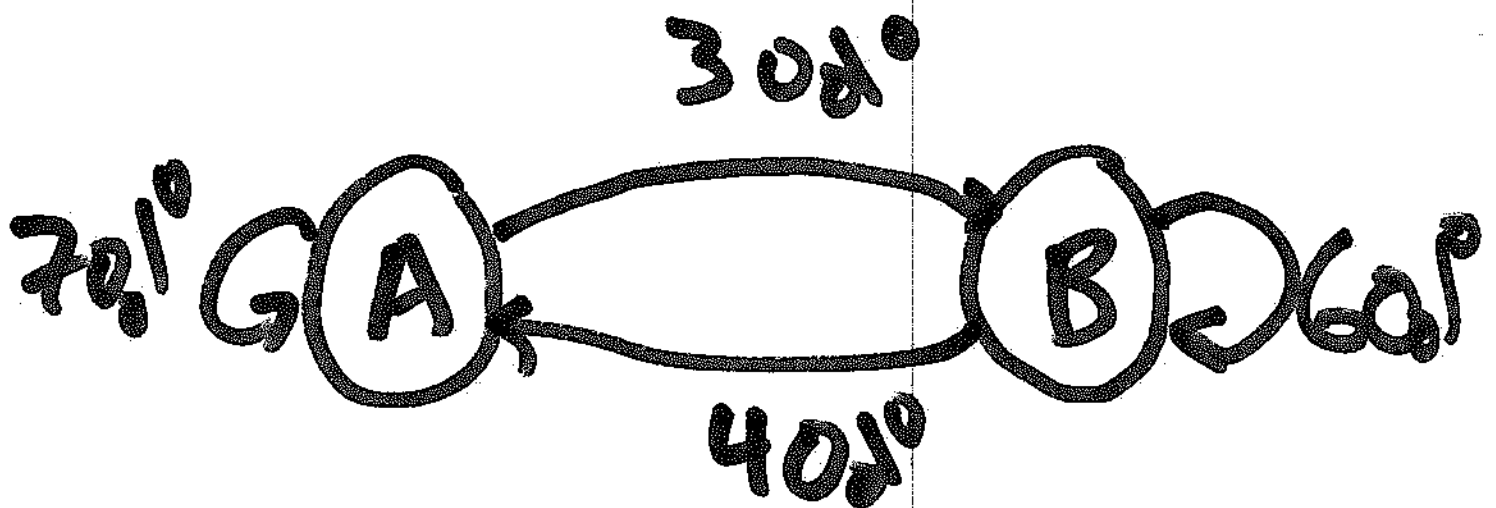
- 1 eigenspace

$$Av = -v$$

Application: Markov Chains.

Imagine particles distributed between two states A and B.

From one time to the next, a particle changes state according to the rule:



Find how distribution changes over time.

We may represent "how
states change" by a transition

matrix:

$$\begin{array}{cc} & \begin{array}{cc} \text{A} & \text{B} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{A} \\ \text{B} \end{array} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.4 \\ 0.3 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} = T \quad \begin{array}{c} (\text{State} \\ \text{now}) \end{array}$$

$\begin{pmatrix} \text{State} \\ \text{1 time} \\ \text{from now} \end{pmatrix}$

An initial distribution is given
by a vector $v(0)$.

e.g. $v(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 100% at
A.

"The system evolves according to T "

$$v(0) \xrightarrow{T} v(1) \xrightarrow{T} v(2) \xrightarrow{T} v(3)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{T} \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 \\ 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{T} \begin{bmatrix} 0.61 \\ 0.39 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{T}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.583 \\ 0.417 \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e.
$$v(t) = T(v(t-1))$$
$$= T^t v(0).$$

Problem: Find formula
for distribution

$$v(t) = T^t v(0)$$

at time t .

Compute $T^t v(0)$.

① Char poly of T

$$t^2 - 1.3t + 0.3$$

② Find roots (eigenvalues)

$$1, 0.3$$

③ Eigenvectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ e.v. } \lambda = 0.3$$

$$\frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ e.v. } 1$$

④ write $v(0)$ in 3 eigenbasis coordinates:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = v(0) = \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{3}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

⑤

$$v(t) = T^t v(0)$$

$$= \frac{1}{7} T^t \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{3}{7} T^t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

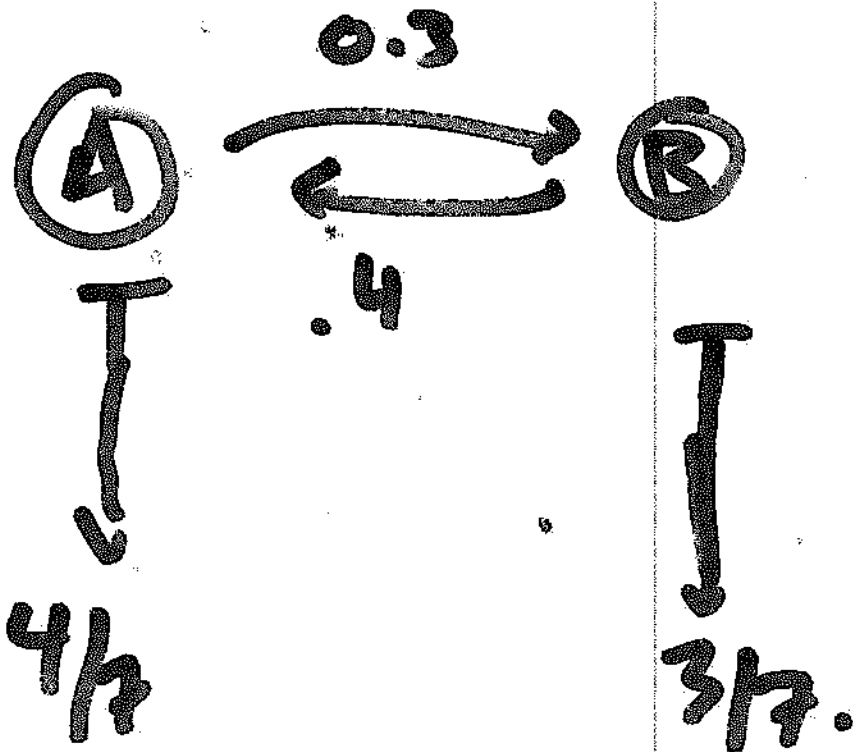
$$= \frac{1}{7} (1)^t \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{3}{7} (0.3)^t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{3}{7} (0.3)^t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} v(t) = \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

This is "the equilibrium"
distribution



Def: A transition matrix is an $n \times n$ matrix such that

① The sum of every entry along a column is 1.

② All entries $0 \leq a_{ij} \leq 1$.

if $a_{ij} > 0$ we say A is positive if A^n is positive for some n we say A is regular.

(Positive \Rightarrow regular).

Thm: If A is a regular transition matrix

① 1 is an eigenvalue of A

and all eigenvalues λ
 $|\lambda| < 1$.

② There is a unique eigenvector with eigenvalue 1 such that sum of all entries is 1 .

X equilibrium.

③ If $v(0)$ is any vector
such that all entries
sum to 1.

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ b \rightarrow a \end{matrix} A^t(v(0)) = x_{\text{equal}}.$$