

## Lecture 35 5.6 Discrete Dynamical Systems

Today: Introduce dynamical systems and connections to eigenvalues/eigenvectors

### Setup

Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix and  $\vec{x}_0$  a vector. Consider sequence:

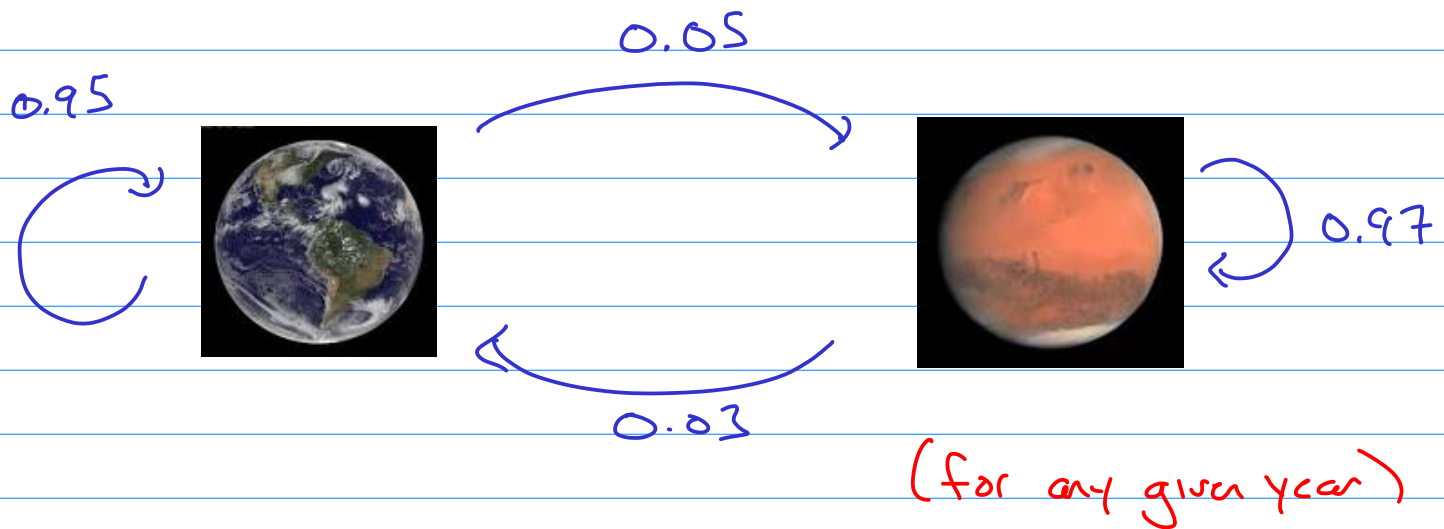
$$\vec{x}_1 = A\vec{x}_0 \quad \vec{x}_2 = A\vec{x}_1, \quad \vec{x}_3 = A\vec{x}_2, \quad \dots, \quad \vec{x}_{k+1} = A\vec{x}_k$$

Def<sup>n</sup>. The equation  $\vec{x}_{k+1} = A\vec{x}_k$  is called a difference equation.

- a dynamical system is a finite set of variables whose values change with time.

(in the above, if  $\vec{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $x_i$ 's are changing)

Ex (Migration) In a given year, migration between Earth and Mars



$$A = \begin{array}{c|cc} & \text{From} & \\ \hline & E & M \\ \hline E & 0.95 & 0.03 \\ M & 0.05 & 0.97 \end{array} \Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.95 & 0.03 \\ 0.05 & 0.97 \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose  $\vec{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$   $\leftarrow$  60% on Earth  
 $\leftarrow$  40% on Mars

After 1 year  $\vec{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.95 & 0.03 \\ 0.05 & 0.97 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 0.4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.582 \\ 0.418 \end{bmatrix}$

Q What does  $\vec{x}_k$  look like as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ?  
 $x_2 = A \vec{x}_1$ ,  $\vec{x}_3 = A \vec{x}_2$ , ...

[A] information captured in eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Ex (cont) The matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.95 & 0.03 \\ 0.05 & 0.97 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalizable

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.92 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = PDP^{-1}$$

Note: columns of  $P$  form basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , i.e.

$$\mathbb{R}^2 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

 eigenvectors

Write  $\vec{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$  in terms of basis:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 0.4 \end{bmatrix} = 0.625 \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 0.225 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } A\vec{x}_0 = A \left( 0.625 \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 0.225 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= 0.625 \left( A \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) - 0.225 \left( A \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$\hookrightarrow A \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= 0.625 \left( 1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) - 0.225 \left( 0.92 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \vec{x}_1$$

$$\text{Then } A\vec{x}_1 = A \left( 0.625 \cdot 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 0.225 (0.92) \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= 0.625 \cdot 1 \left( A \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) - 0.225 (0.92) \left( A \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= 0.625 \cdot 1^2 \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 0.225 (0.92)^2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \vec{x}_2$$

For any  $k$

$$\vec{x}_k = 0.625 \cdot 1^k \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 0.225 (0.92)^k \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{As } k \rightarrow \infty, (0.92)^k \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{So } \vec{x}_k \rightarrow 0.625 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.375 \\ 0.625 \end{bmatrix}$$

So eventually Earth contains 37.5% of the population  
and Mars contains 62.5% of the population

### General Case

Assumptions •  $A$  is diagonalizable

- $A$  has  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  corresponding to  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$
- order eigenvalues  $|\lambda_1| \geq |\lambda_2| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_n|$

Since  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$  linearly independent, form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$$

Write initial vector as

$$\vec{x}_0 = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \vec{v}_n \quad \text{using eigenvector basis}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{So } \vec{x}_1 &= A\vec{x}_0 = c_1(A\vec{v}_1) + \dots + c_n(A\vec{v}_n) \\ &= c_1 \lambda_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_n \lambda_n \vec{v}_n\end{aligned}$$

In general

$$\boxed{\vec{x}_k = c_1 \lambda_1^k \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \lambda_2^k \vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \lambda_n^k \vec{v}_n}$$

Note eigenvectors/values determine  $\vec{x}_k$

Observation Suppose  $\lambda \geq 1$  and  
 $1 > |\lambda_2| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_n| \geq 0$

For large  $k$ ,

$$\vec{x}_k \approx c_1 \lambda_1^k \vec{v}_1 + 0 \quad \text{since } \lambda_i^k \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } i=2, \dots, n$$

## Graphical Sol<sup>n</sup>s (2x2 case)

Suppose also assume  $A$  is  $2 \times 2$  So

$$\vec{x}_k = c_1 \lambda_1^k \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \lambda_2^k \vec{v}_2$$

The graph of  $\vec{x}_0, \vec{x}_1, \dots$  is trajectory of the dynamical system

Ex  $A = \begin{bmatrix} .7 & 0 \\ 0 & .42 \end{bmatrix}$  eigenvalue  $\lambda_1 = 0.7$  eigenvector  $= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
eigenvalue  $\lambda_2 = 0.42$  eigenvector  $= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

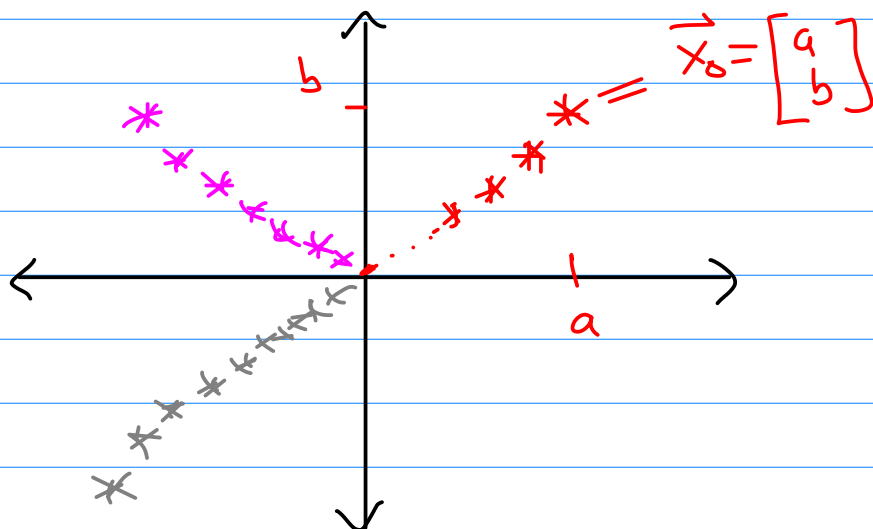
So, if  $\vec{x}_0 = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{x}_k = c_1 (0.7)^k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 (0.42)^k \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

As  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $(0.7)^k \rightarrow 0$  and  $(0.42)^k \rightarrow 0$

So, for all  $\vec{x}_0$ , have  $\vec{x}_k \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Picture



Def<sup>n</sup> The origin is

- an attractor if eigenvalues  $< 1$
- a repellor if eigenvalues  $> 1$
- a saddle point if one eigenvalue  $> 1$  and other  $< 1$

Ex For  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1.2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\vec{x}_k = c_1 (1.2)^k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 (1.4)^k \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \leftarrow \text{a repellor}$$

Key ideas:

- dynamical system
- trajectory determined by eigenvalues/eigenvectors

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## Example from class  
## migration
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clear  
A = [.95 0.03; 0.05 0.97]  
b = [.6; .4] # initial vector  
P1 = [b]  
for i=1:25 b = A*b; P1 = [P1, b]; end;  
x1 = P1(1,:);  
y1 = P1(2,:);  
plot(x1,y1,"*")
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## Example from class  
## attractor
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clear  
A = [.7 0; 0 0.42]  
b = [1; 1] # initial vector  
P1 = [b]  
for i=1:25 b = A*b; P1 = [P1, b]; end;  
c = [-1;1] # second initial vector  
P2 = [c];  
for i=1:25 c = A*c; P2 = [P2, c]; end;  
d = [2;-3] # thider initial vector  
P3 = [d];  
for i=1:25 d = A*d; P3 = [P3, d]; end;  
x1 = P1(1,:);  
y1 = P1(2,:);  
x2 = P2(1,:);  
y2 = P2(2,:);  
x3 = P3(1,:);  
y3 = P3(2,:);  
plot(x1,y1,"*",x2,y2,"*",x3,y3,"*")
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## make a loop to do lots of points at once
P = [];
for i=1:30
    # pick a random vecotr
    b = [100*(-1)^(ceil(10*rand()))*rand();100*(-1)^(ceil(10*rand()))*rand()];
    P = [P b];
    # for each vector, find trajector
for i=1:30 b = A*b; P = [P, b]; end; # 4 iterations only
end;
x = P(1,:);
y = P(2,:);
# plot all trajectories
plot(x,y,"*")

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## Example of repellor

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## Example from class

clear

A = [1.2 0; 0 1.4]

b = [1; 1] # initial vector

P1 = [b]

for i=1:25 b = A\*b; P1 = [P1, b]; end;

c = [-1;1] # second initial vector

P2 = [c];

for i=1:25 c = A\*c; P2 = [P2, c]; end;

d = [2;-3] # third initial vector

P3 = [d];

for i=1:25 d = A\*d; P3 = [P3, d]; end;

e = [1; -.01] # initial vector

P4 = [e]

for i=1:25 e = A\*e; P4 = [P4, e]; end;

x1 = P1(1,:);

y1 = P1(2,:);

x2 = P2(1,:);

y2 = P2(2,:);

x3 = P3(1,:);

y3 = P3(2,:);

x4 = P4(1,:);

y4 = P4(2,:);

plot(x1,y1,"\*",x2,y2,"\*",x3,y3,"\*",x4,y4,"\*")

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clear
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A = [1.7 -.3; -1.2 .8]
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eig(A)
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P = [];
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for i=1:400
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    b = [100*(-1)^(ceil(10*rand()))*rand();100*(-1)^(ceil(10*rand()))*rand()]; # pick random vector
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    P = [P b];
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    for i=1:3 b = A*b; P = [P, b]; end; # 3 iterations only
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end;
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x = P(1,:);
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y = P(2,:);
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plot(x,y,"*")
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