

① A 2×3 matrix

Review

$$\text{Null}(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

a) $\text{rank}(A) = 2$

rank-nullity $\text{rank}(A) + \dim(\text{Null}(A)) = 3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{pivot cols}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{free}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) Find 3 solns to $A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenvectors & Eigenvalues

Def If $T: V \rightarrow V$ is a linear transformation, an eigenvector of T is a nonzero vector $\vec{v} \in V$ such that $T(\vec{v}) = \lambda \vec{v}$ where λ is a scalar
↳ eigenvalue for \vec{v}

Goal: We want to find a basis for V consisting only of eigenvectors for T

Why? The matrix for T in this basis is very simple e.g. $\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix}$

Warning: This is not always possible

How to find eigenvectors & eigenvalues of an $n \times n$ matrix A ?

- ① Find $\det(A - tI_n)$

↑ characteristic polynomial of A

- ② Roots of $\chi_t(A)$ are the eigenvalues $\lambda_A(t)$ of A

- ③ For each eigenvalue λ , Find $\text{Null}(A - \lambda I_n)$ to find all eigenvectors w/ eigenvalue λ

① Which of the following are eigenvectors
of $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

- a) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ Yes b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ Yes c) $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ No d) $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$ Yes

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2+1 \\ -2+5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 2 \\ -2 \cdot 1 + 5 \cdot 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenvectors must be nonzero

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot -3 + 1 \cdot -6 \\ -2 \cdot -3 + 5 \cdot -6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -12 \\ -24 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

② Suppose \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 eigenvectors for T , both with eigenvalue 5. True/False: $3\vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2$ is also an eigenvector of T False (because $3\vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2$ could be $\vec{0}$)

$$T(3\vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2) = 3T(\vec{v}_1) - T(\vec{v}_2) = 3 \cdot (5 \cdot \vec{v}_1) - 5 \cdot \vec{v}_2 \\ = 5(3\vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2)$$

③ Find an eigenvector of reflection across

\mathbb{R}^2 the line $x_1 = x_2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ eigenvalue } 1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ eigenvalue } -1$$

④ Find an eigenvector of

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \dots$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 17 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 17 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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eigenvalue 17

⑤ Find eigenvalues & eigenvectors of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} ① \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - t\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= \det\begin{bmatrix} 1-t & 2 \\ -1 & 4-t \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (1-t)(4-t) - (-1) \cdot 2 \\ &= 4 - 5t + t^2 + 2 \\ &= t^2 - 5t + 6 \\ &= (t-2)(t-3) \end{aligned}$$

② Eigenvalues: 2, 3

$$③ \text{Eigenvalue } 2: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - 2\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & | & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2=R_2-R_1} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1=-R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &\text{ free} \\ x_1 &= 2x_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2x_2 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_2 = \text{span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2+2 \\ -2+4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

Eigenvalue 3

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2=R_2-\frac{1}{2}R_1} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1=-\frac{1}{2}R_1}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_2 \text{ free} \\ x_1 = x_2 \end{array} \quad \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_3 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+2 \\ -1+4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

Eigenvalues: 2, 3

$$E_2 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad E_3 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$