

Example: Consider \mathbb{R}^3 and basis b_1, b_2, b_3 .

Assume $L(b_1) = b_1 + b_2$

$$L(b_2) = 5b_1 - b_2 + 3b_3$$

$$L(b_3) = -1b_1 + 4b_2 - 7b_3$$

The matrix associated with this linear mapping is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & -7 \end{pmatrix} = C^T$$

Lets say we have a vector whose coordinates in basis b_1, b_2, b_3 are $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$L\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & -7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \times b_1 + 1 \times b_2 + 0 \times b_3.$$

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Change of Basis

Lets first look at how coordinates of vectors change when we change the basis.

Assume we have a vector space V . Lets also assume we have basis of V , b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n . and another basis. d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n .

Consider $v \in V$.

Let $\begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix}$ be the coordinates of vector v with respect to basis b_1, \dots, b_n . and $\begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}$ be the coordinates of v w.r.t basis d_1, \dots, d_n .

$$v = u_1 b_1 + \dots + u_n b_n = (u_1, \dots, u_n) \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v = w_1 d_1 + \dots + w_n d_n$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ \vdots \\ d_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Since b_1, \dots, b_n is a basis we can express each vector in new basis d_1, \dots, d_n in terms of b_1, \dots, b_n

$$d_1 = s_{11}b_1 + s_{12}b_2 + \dots + s_{1n}b_n$$

\vdots

$$d_n = s_{n1}b_1 + s_{n2}b_2 + \dots + s_{nn}b_n$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ \vdots \\ d_n \end{pmatrix} = S \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ \vdots \\ d_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}^T S \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}^T S$$

$$\Rightarrow (AB)^T = B^T A^T \quad \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix} = S^T \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}$$

coordinates of v in
old basis
 b_1, \dots, b_n

matrix S , describes
 d_1, \dots, d_n w.r.t b_1, \dots, b_n

coordinates of v in
new basis
 d_1, \dots, d_n

Lemma: S^T is invertible.

(i.e. $(S^T)^{-1}$ exists)

we expressed $\begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix}$ as $S^T \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}$. We could do

the same procedure, but exchanging b_1, \dots, b_n with d_1, \dots, d_n and we would arrive to

$$\begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix} = R^T \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Now we have:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} w &= R^T u \quad u = S^T w \quad R^T S^T w \Rightarrow R^T S^T = I \quad \text{by def. of inverse,} \\ u &= S^T w \quad = S^T R^T u \Rightarrow S^T R^T = I \end{aligned} \right\} R^T = (S^T)^{-1}$$

it means that $u = (S^T)^{-1} w$.

How matrices associated with linear mapping change when we change the basis.

Consider linear mapping $L: V \rightarrow V$.

Assume that L is represented by matrix A in basis b_1, \dots, b_n , and by matrix A' in basis d_1, \dots, d_n .

Consider vector $v \in V$. Then in basis b_1, \dots, b_n

$$L(v) = A \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{In basis } d_1, \dots, d_n \quad L(v) = A' \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix} = S^T A' \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow AS^T \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix} = S^T A' \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Since w is an arbitrary vector,

$$\Rightarrow AS^T = S^T A' \Rightarrow A' = (S^T)^{-1} A S^T$$

matrix in
new basis
 d_1, \dots, d_n

matrix in
old basis
 b_1, \dots, b_n

The matrix associated with linear mapping changes as $A' = (S^T)^{-1} A S^T$ when we change from basis b_1, \dots, b_n to d_1, \dots, d_n .

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ \vdots \\ d_n \end{pmatrix} = S \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

definition: Assume that $N \in \mathbb{R}^{n,n}$, N^{-1} exists.

$A' = N^{-1} A N$ is called similarity transformation.

definition: Matrices A' and A are called similar matrices, if $\exists N$ such that

$$A' = N^{-1} A N.$$

Example: Assume that linear mapping L is represented with matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ w.r.t. basis

$$b_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, b_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Consider new basis $d_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, d_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1/2 \end{pmatrix}$

How is L represented with respect to new basis?

$$\begin{cases} d_1 = 1 \times b_1 + 1 \times b_2 \\ d_2 = 1 \times b_1 - \frac{1}{2} b_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1/2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow S^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(S^T)^{-1} = -\frac{2}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -1/2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A' &= (S^T)^{-1} A S^T = -\frac{2}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -1/2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1/2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

In the new basis, our linear mapping is represented in a very simple way.

Eigen values and Eigen vectors

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Consider a vector space V and a linear mapping $A: V \rightarrow V$.

definition: A vector $v \in V$, $v \neq 0$, is called an eigenvector of A , if there exists scalar λ , such that $Av = \lambda v$. This scalar λ is called an eigenvalue, corresponding to eigenvector v .

Sometimes, eigenvectors are called characteristic vectors, and eigenvalues are called characteristic values.

Example: Consider $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n,n} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$

Then,

$E_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ - i is an eigenvector with eigenvalue a_{ii} , because $AE_i = a_{ii} E_i$

Lemma Consider $A: V \rightarrow V$ and $v \neq 0$ - an eigenvector with λ - eigenvalue. Then for any scalar $\alpha \neq 0$, (αv) is also an eigenvector with the same eigenvalue λ .

Proof: $Av = \lambda v$

$$\begin{aligned} A(\alpha v) &= \alpha Av = \alpha(\lambda v) \text{ - by definition.} \\ &= \lambda(\alpha v) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem: Consider linear mapping $A: V \rightarrow V$ & eigen value λ . Assume that there exists v_1, \dots, v_m eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalue. Then any vector from the span of v_1, \dots, v_m (any linear combination of v_1, \dots, v_m) is also an eigenvector of A , with the same eigenvalue λ .

Proof: Take any linear combination of v_1, \dots, v_m :

$$\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_m v_m.$$

$$A(\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_m v_m) = \alpha_1 A v_1 + \dots + \alpha_m A v_m$$

$$= \alpha_1 \lambda v_1 + \dots + \alpha_m \lambda v_m = \lambda (\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_m v_m)$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_m v_m$ is indeed an eigenvector with eigenvalue λ .

Remark: It means that span of v_1, \dots, v_m forms a subspace in V and any non-zero vector from this subspace is an eigenvector of A with eigenvalue λ .

This subspace is called an eigenspace of A with eigenvalue λ .

Theorem: Consider $A: V \rightarrow V$ - linear mapping.

Assume, that there exists eigenvectors v_1, \dots, v_m with corresponding eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$.

lets also assume that all eigenvalues are distinct, $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$ for $i \neq j$.

Then v_1, \dots, v_m are linearly independent.

Proof: by induction on m .

$m=1$: v_1 - eigen vector, λ_1 - eigen value.

by definition, $v_1 \neq 0$, therefore, v_1 is linearly independent.

$m \geq 1$: assume that the theorem holds for any $m-1$ eigen vector and eigen value.

lets assume, v_1, \dots, v_m are linearly dependant.

$$\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_m v_m = 0 \quad (*)$$

lets multiply $(*)$ by λ_m :

$$\alpha_1 \lambda_m v_1 + \dots + \alpha_m \lambda_m v_m = 0$$

lets apply A to $(*)$:

$$\begin{aligned} A(\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_m v_m) &= \alpha_1 A v_1 + \dots + \alpha_m A v_m \\ &= \alpha_1 \lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_m \lambda_m v_m = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Subtract 1st from 2nd:

$$\alpha_1 (\lambda_1 - \lambda_m) v_1 + \dots + \alpha_{m-1} (\lambda_{m-1} - \lambda_m) v_{m-1} = 0.$$

$m-1$ eigenvectors \uparrow

\Rightarrow they are linearly independent by i.h.

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 (\lambda_1 - \lambda_m) = 0, \dots, \alpha_{m-1} (\lambda_{m-1} - \lambda_m) = 0$$

Since $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j \Rightarrow \alpha_1 = 0, \dots, \alpha_{m-1} = 0$ and then

from $(*) \Rightarrow \alpha_m = 0$, since $v_m \neq 0$.

$\Rightarrow v_1, \dots, v_m$ are linearly independent.

Remark: If $A: V \rightarrow V$ is a linear mapping and V is an n -dimensional space, If we have v_1, \dots, v_n eigenvectors of A with all distinct $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$, then v_1, \dots, v_n form a basis of V .