

Vectors and Vector Spaces

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Introduction

A vector is an ordered list of numbers.

A vector has direction and length (magnitude)

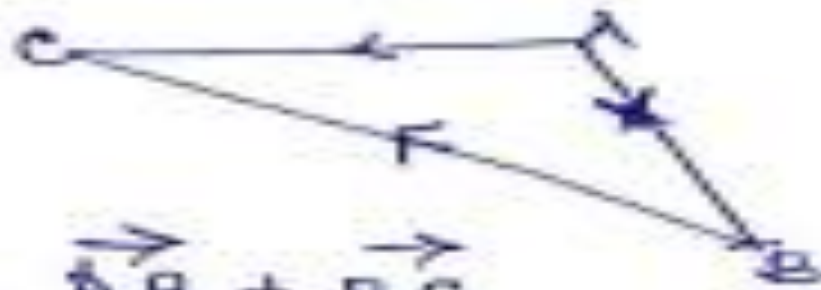
\vec{AB}



\vec{BC}

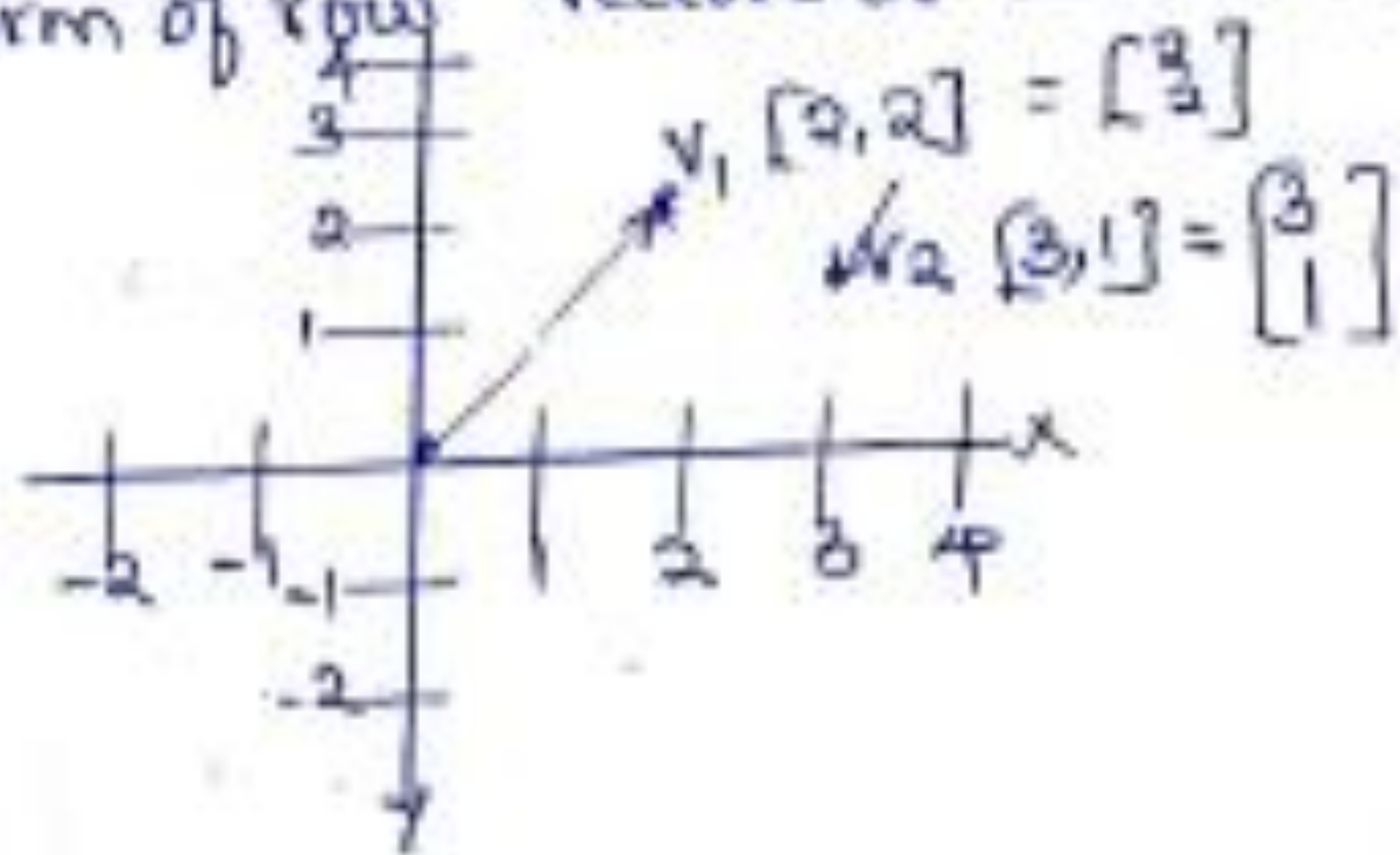


Joining the two



$$\vec{AC} = \vec{AB} + \vec{BC}$$

Vector components can take the
form of row vectors or column vectors



A scalar quantity has magnitude only.

Speed is a scalar - 40 m/s

Velocity is a vector - 40 m/s North

Force is a vector 300 Newtons exerted East

Question

Suppose Vector V has initial point $A(-4, 1)$ and Terminal point $B(8, 6)$

Vector U has initial point $C(1, -15)$ and terminal point $D(3, 9)$

a) Determine if the two vectors are equivalent.

$$V = \vec{AB} \quad U = \vec{CD}$$

$$V = (8 - 4), (6 - 1) = (12, 5)$$

$$U = (9 - 5), (3 - 1), (9 - 15) = (10, 24)$$

Magnitudes

$$\|V\| = \sqrt{12^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{169} = 13$$

$$\|U\| = \sqrt{10^2 + 24^2} = \sqrt{616} = 24$$

Not equal

b) Do they have the same direction?

The slope should tell us

$$m_V = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \rightarrow \text{change in } y \text{ values}$$

$$\text{change in } x \text{ values}$$

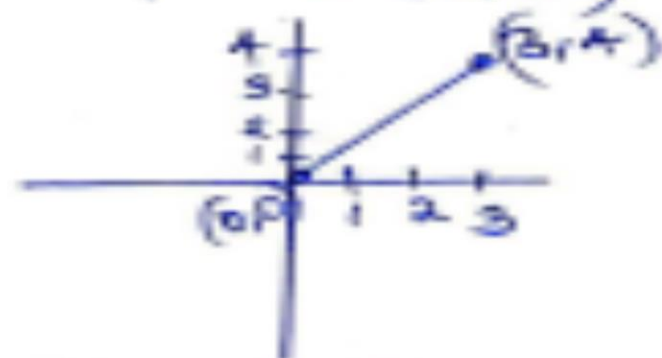
$$m_V = \frac{6 - 1}{8 - 4} = \frac{5}{12} = \frac{5}{12}$$

$$m_U = \frac{9 - 5}{3 - 1} = \frac{24}{10} = \frac{12}{5}$$

$$\therefore \frac{5}{12} \neq \frac{12}{5}$$

Position Vector

Any vector with initial points at point $(0,0)$



Unit Vector

$$\|u\| = 1$$

Any vector with a magnitude of 1.

$$\frac{v}{\|v\|} = v = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Direction}}}{u} \cdot \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{magnitude}}}{\|v\|}$$

Position and Unit Vectors

Question

Find the unit vector in the same direction of $V = (4, -3)$

$$u = \frac{V}{\|V\|} = \frac{(4, -3)}{\sqrt{4^2 + (-3)^2}} = \frac{4, -3}{5} = \left(\frac{4}{5}, -\frac{3}{5}\right)$$

Unit vector of vector $V = \left(\frac{4}{5}, -\frac{3}{5}\right)$

Proof: Is the magnitude = 1?

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{16}{25} + \frac{9}{25}} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{25}} = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

Eigen Vectors and Eigen Values

Eigen Vectors and Eigen Values defined:

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix.

A scalar λ is called an Eigen Value of A if there's a non-zero vector \bar{x} such that $A\bar{x} = \lambda\bar{x}$.

The vector \bar{x} is called an Eigen Vector of A corresponding to Eigen Value λ .

Example:

Show that $\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an Eigen vector of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$, corresponding to $\lambda = 4$

Solution

Recall: $A\bar{x} = \lambda\bar{x}$

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 1 \\ 3 \cdot 2 + (-2) \cdot 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6+2 \\ 6-2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$A\bar{x} = \lambda\bar{x} \quad \Delta$

$$v_{\lambda=4} \rightarrow \{2, 1\}$$
$$v_{\lambda=-3} \rightarrow \{-1, 3\}$$

Scalars or Multiplies apply (e.g. vector 4,2, vector 6,3, Vector 200,100)

Note If λ is an Eigen value of A and \bar{x} is an Eigen vector belonging to λ , any non-zero multiple of \bar{x} will be an Eigen vector.

Eg from the vector above $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is we multiply \bar{x} with a scalar 3 or 100 we get $\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 200 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix}$ respectively. These are also applicable eigen vectors of \bar{x} .

Finding Eigen Values and Eigen Vectors

The steps of computing Eigen Values and Eigen Vectors
To solve the eigenvalues λ_i and the corresponding Eigen vectors \bar{x}_i of an $n \times n$ matrix A , we follow the following steps: e.g if $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

i) Multiply the $n \times n$ Identity matrix by the scalar λ

$$\lambda I = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

ii) Subtract the Identity matrix multiple from A

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & -1-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

iii) Find the determinant of the matrix from step (ii)

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & -1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = [(1-\lambda)(-\lambda-1)] - [(3)(3)]$$

$$= -1\lambda - 1 + \lambda^2 + \lambda - 9$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 6\lambda - 16$$

Factors λ and $8, 2$

iv) Factorization $(\lambda - 8)(\lambda + 2) = 0$
Solve the values of λ that satisfy the

v) equation $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

vi) Solve for the corresponding vectors for each λ

for $\lambda_1 = 8$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 7-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & -1-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

Replace λ with 8

$$\begin{bmatrix} 7-8 & 3 \\ 3 & -1-8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 3 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \text{ matrix}$$

To solve $B\vec{x} = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 3 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Row Reduction

$3R_1 + R_2 = \text{New } R_2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow -x_1 + 3x_2 = 0$$

$$3x_2 = x_1$$

Suppose $x_2 = 1$

$$3(1) = x_1 = 3$$

$$\text{Vector} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

for $\lambda_2 = -2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 7-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & -1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \text{ Replace } \lambda \text{ with } -2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 7-(-2) & 3 \\ 3 & -1-(-2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$-3R_2 + R_1 = \text{New } R_1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 3x_1 + x_2 = 0$$

$$x_2 = -3x_1$$

Suppose $x_1 = 1$

$$x_2 = -3(1) = -3$$

$$\text{vector} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Check: } \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 3 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = -2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example Two

Finding Eigen Values and Eigen Vectors.

$$a) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\bar{x} = \lambda \bar{x}$$

$$\lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

determine $A - \lambda I$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 2-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

Determinant of $A - \lambda I$

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 2-\lambda \end{pmatrix} &= (1-\lambda)(2-\lambda) - 0 \\ &= 2 - \lambda - 2\lambda + \lambda^2 \\ &= 2 - 3\lambda + \lambda^2 \end{aligned}$$

Already factored!

$$\lambda = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \lambda = 2$$

If $\lambda_1 = 1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1-1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

If $\lambda_2 = 2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1-2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\vec{v}_{\lambda=2} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

$$\vec{v}_{\lambda=1} \rightarrow \{1, 0\}$$

Example Three

$$b) A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$A\bar{x} = \lambda \bar{x}$$

$$\lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Determinant of } (A - \lambda I) \\ &= \lambda^2 + 1 = 0 \\ &\lambda^2 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

Eigen values $\pm i$

$$\text{if } \lambda_1 = -i$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_1 \\ \bar{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_1 + v_2 = 0$$

$$v_1 + v_2 = 0$$

$$v_2 = -v_1$$

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

$$\text{if } \lambda_2 = i$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} -v_1 + v_2 = 0 \\ v_1 - v_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$v_1 = v_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{check: } \lambda = 1$$

$$A\bar{x} = \lambda \bar{x}$$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} +1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_{\lambda=i} \rightarrow \{i, 1\}$$

$$v_{\lambda=-i} \rightarrow \{-i, 1\}$$

0	-1
-1	0

$$v_{\lambda=-1}^{\rightarrow} \rightarrow \{1, 1\}$$

$$v_{\lambda=1}^{\rightarrow} \rightarrow \{-1, 1\}$$

Real life applications of Eigen values and Eigen vectors

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R13Cwgmpuxc>

Questions & Comments