

Week 4: Determinants and Eigenvectors

As seen, the grid after linear transformation we got another 2D grid, because the transformation happened on a non-singular matrix. Linear transformation on singular matrices gives lesser dimensions than the original grid's. The number of dimensions in the output grid represent the matrix's ranks.

For example:

→ Redundant (2x2) matrix gets linearly transformed into a line (1D), which corresponds to Rank 1.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

→ Zero (2x2) matrix gets linearly transformed into a point (0D), which corresponds to Rank 0.

→ absolute

The determinant represent the area of the basis in the linearly transformed grid. This corresponds to the two mentioned examples; determinant of the singular matrices is equal to zero (area of line equal zero & area of a point equal to zero).

In case of matrix multiplication, the determinant of the product matrix is the product of the two determinants.
$$\det(A \cdot B) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$$

The determinant of an inversed matrix equals to the multiplicative inverse on the original matrix determinant.
$$\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$$

The determinant of the identity matrix is always 1.
$$\det(I) = 1$$

A basis is any two vector that are not multiples of each other in a grid. A vector in a basis and its opposite (negative) vector are considered the same vector.

A basis can be used to reach any point on a grid, by multiplying any of the two vectors of the basis by a constant (can be decimal) and add it to the other vector multiplied by a constant.

Two vector which are opposite or multiples of each other can't be considered a basis.

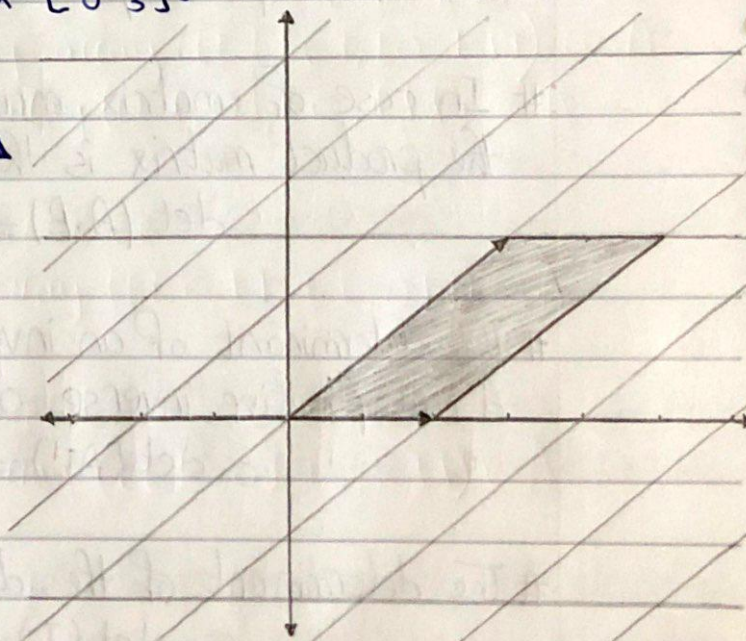
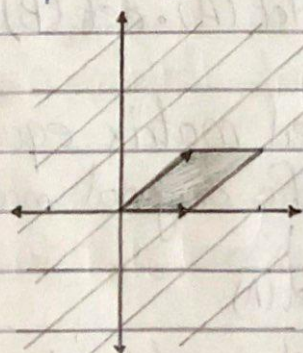
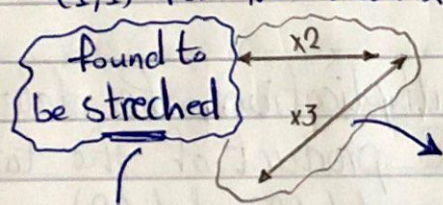
→ A basis for 2D grid is two vectors. (can't be more)

→ A basis for 1D line is one vector. (can't be 2)

A basis is a minimal spanning set.

Eigenbasis is the most important basis in machine learning applications.

Let's change the basis from $(0,1)$ & $(1,0)$ to $(1,0)$ & $(1,1)$ for the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$:

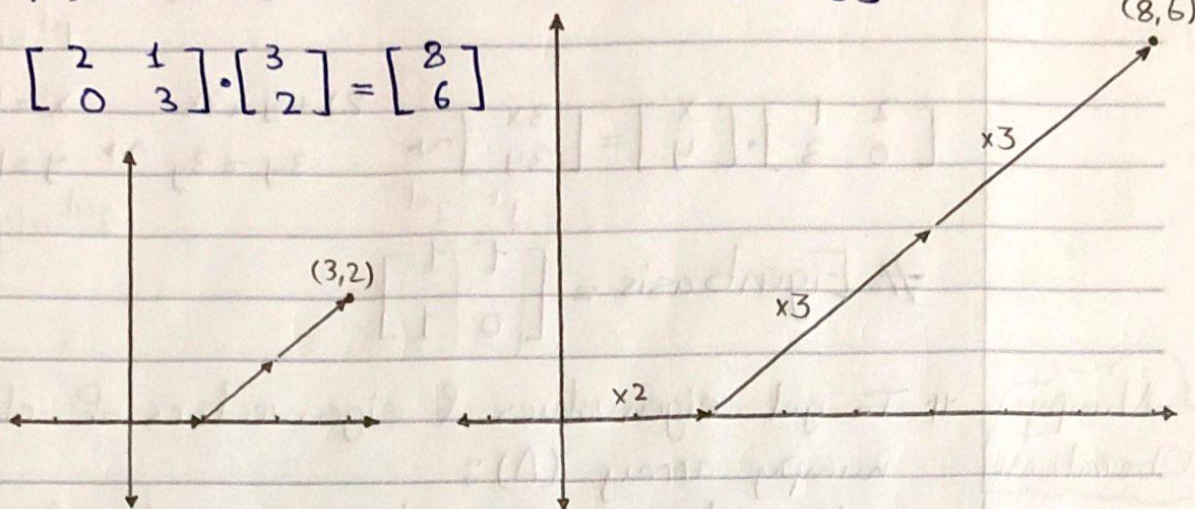


very important

since the basis vectors and the transformed vectors are parallel, but stretched, it's called Eigenbasis: \rightarrow two basis vectors are called Eigenvectors
 \rightarrow stretching factors are called Eigenvalues.

In the previous example, let's consider the point $(3,2)$ for the same matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$



* Eigenvectors: $(0,1)$ & $(1,1)$

* Eigenvalues: 2 & 3

Eigenvalue of an inversed matrix is equal to the multiplicative inverse of the eigenvalue of the original matrix:

\rightarrow IF eigen-value of matrix A is i , then $\frac{1}{i}$ is the eigenvalue of matrix A^{-1} .

let (x,y)
represent
the coordinates
of any point
on a specific
straight line

IF λ is an eigen-value for the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, then:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}; \text{ for infinitely many } (x,y)$$

$$\text{Then: } \begin{bmatrix} (2-\lambda) & 1 \\ 0 & (3-\lambda) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ ; has infinitely many solutions (redundant singular)}$$

$$\text{Therefore: } \det \begin{bmatrix} (2-\lambda) & 1 \\ 0 & (3-\lambda) \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$(2-\lambda)(3-\lambda) - 1 \cdot 0 = 0$$

Characteristic Polynomial

very important

solving the characteristic polynomial, gives the eigenvalues:
 $\lambda = 2$ & $\lambda = 3$

then substitute in $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ and solve for eigenvectors:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x \\ 3y \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{matrix} 2x+y=2x \\ 3y=3y \end{matrix} \sim \begin{matrix} x=1 \\ y=0 \end{matrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

1st eigenvector

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3x \\ 3y \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{matrix} 2x+y=3x \\ 3y=3y \end{matrix} \sim \begin{matrix} x=1 \\ y=1 \end{matrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2nd eigenvector

Eigenbasis = $\begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & \textcircled{1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Numpy
Observations:

To get eigenvalues & eigenvectors of already defined numpy array (A):

→ eigenvalues, eigenvectors = np.linalg.eig(A)

To get the reflection about y-axis & x-axis:

→ A-reflected-yaxis = np.array([[-1, 0], [0, 1]]) @ A

→ A-reflected-xaxis = np.array([[1, 0], [0, -1]]) @ A

To get it sheared positive constant c in x & in y:

→ A-sheared-x = np.array([[1, c], [0, 1]]) @ A

→ A-sheared-y = np.array([[1, 0], [c, 1]]) @ A

To rotate A 90° clockwise:

→ A-rotated = np.array([[0, 1], [1, 0]]) @ A

To scale A by value k:

→ A-scaled = np.array([[k, 0], [0, k]]) @ A

To get the projection of A on x-axis:

→ A-projected-x = np.array([[1, 0], [0, 0]]) @ A