

# Week 4 Cribsheet

## Definitions

- Given  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $A$  has an **eigenvector**  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and an **eigenvalue**  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  if  $A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$
- The **determinant** of a matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  is written either  $\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}\right)$  or  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$ . For  $2 \times 2$  matrices,  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$
- Given an eigenvalue, the **eigenspace** is the space spanned by the corresponding eigenvectors.
- The **characteristic polynomial** of a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  is  $\det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - (a+d)\lambda + (ad - bc)$ , and is used to find  $\lambda$ 's.
- Given a system or state transition matrix  $P$ , the **steady state vector**  $\vec{x}^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfies  $\vec{x}^* = P\vec{x}^*$
- Notation:**  $A: U \rightarrow V$  means the transformation  $A$  takes in a vector from input vector space  $U$  and outputs a vector from vector space  $V$
- The **standard basis** of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is the columns of the  $n \times n$  identity matrix.
- A matrix  $T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is **diagonalizable** if it has  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors

Given a basis  $B$  as a "coordinate system" of a vector space  $U$ ,  
 $\forall \vec{x} \in U$  we can write  $\vec{x} = a_0 B[0] + a_1 B[1] + \dots \Rightarrow$  coordinates  
of  $\vec{x}$  in the new space are  $(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1})$

## Change of Basis

$$\text{Basis } \{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n\} \xrightleftharpoons[A^{-1}]{A} \text{Standard basis} \xrightleftharpoons[B^{-1}]{B} \text{Basis } \{\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n\}$$

where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{a_1} & \dots & \frac{1}{a_n} \\ 1 & & \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{b_1} & \dots & \frac{1}{b_n} \\ 1 & & \end{bmatrix}$

For transformations: given  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \vec{u} & \xrightarrow{T} & \vec{v} \\ \downarrow A^{-1} \uparrow A & & \downarrow A^{-1} \uparrow A \\ \vec{u}_a & \xrightarrow{T_a} & \vec{v}_a \end{array}$$

$$T_a = A T A^{-1}$$

$$T = A^{-1} T_a A$$

## Diagonalization

$$A = V D V^{-1}$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{v_1} & \dots & \frac{1}{v_n} \\ 1 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $(\lambda_i, \vec{v}_i) \quad \forall i \in [1, n]$  are eigen - 's.