

Hi Neil!

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Recall: $f: V \rightarrow V$ linear, λ scalar

$$V_\lambda = \{ \vec{v} \in V \mid f(\vec{v}) = \lambda \vec{v} \} \quad \text{"}\lambda\text{-eigenspace"}$$

Note λ is eigenvalue for $f \iff \dim V_\lambda > 0$.

Ex Say $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is the zero map

$$(\mathbb{R}^3)_0 = \mathbb{R}^3 \quad (\mathbb{R}^3)_\lambda = \{ \vec{0} \} \text{ for any } \lambda \neq 0.$$

Ex $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ $f\left(\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3a+b \\ 3b \end{pmatrix}$ $\text{Rep}_{\text{std}} f = A$

what are eigenvalues of f ?

$$\det(A - xI) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 3-x & 1 \\ 0 & 3-x \end{pmatrix} = (3-x)^2$$

so only eigenvalue is 3

what is $(\mathbb{R}^2)_3 = \{ \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid A\vec{v} = 3\vec{v} \} = \ker \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

well $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ so

$$(\mathbb{R}^2)_3 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \mid b=0 \right\} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

which is 1-dim

$\Rightarrow f$ not diagonalizable.

Useful Fact:

Prop Let $f: V \rightarrow V$ be linear. Let $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$ be ~~eigen~~ distinct eigenvals

let $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k \in V$

\vec{v}_j a λ_j -eigenvector then $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$ are linearly indep

Ex) $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

is B diag?

$$\det(B - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & -1-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= -(\lambda+1)(2-\lambda)^2$$

expand along first row

$$= (2-\lambda)((-1-\lambda)(2-\lambda))$$

" $\lambda=1$ has multiplicity 1
 $\lambda=2$ has multiplicity 2"

Let's find eigenvectors:

$\lambda = -1$

~~0~~ $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

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

$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$

$= \begin{bmatrix} 3a \\ 7a+c \\ 3c \end{bmatrix}$

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$\Rightarrow \vec{0}$ iff

$a=0=c$ so $V_{-1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \mid a=0=c \right\} = \text{Span} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)$

[here $V = \mathbb{R}^3$]

$$\boxed{\lambda = 2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 7a - 3b + c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \vec{0} \text{ iff } 7a - 3b + c = 0$$

$$\text{So } V_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \mid 7a - 3b + c = 0 \right\} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{pick } B = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right) \text{ basis}$$

$$\text{get } g: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ s.t. } g \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2a \\ 7a - b + c \\ 2c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \text{Rep}_{\text{std}} g = B$$

$$\text{what is } \text{Rep}_B g = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ by construction}$$

Compute $B \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad B \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad B \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ to make sure. (sanity check)

↗ do this in class if you have time, o/w exercise for them.

what is P s.t. $PBP^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & 2 \end{pmatrix}$?

well we know $P^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 7 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

and P we can compute.

Ex] if A is matrix 3×3 and char pol of A has three distinct real roots. Is A diag? (Yes! why? use ~~that~~ ~~reducts~~ prev. prop)

Ex] $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ is A diag?

what about $B = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$?

⤴ (discuss these if you have time?)