Homework 3

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1 PCA EIGENVECTOR ORTHOGONALITY

According to the first equation:

$$A\vec{x} = \lambda_1 \vec{x}$$

$$\vec{x}^T A^T = \lambda_1 \vec{x}^T$$

We know that A is a symmetric matrix

$$\vec{x}^T A = \lambda_1 \vec{x}^T$$

$$\vec{x}^T A \vec{y} = \lambda_1 \vec{x}^T \vec{y}$$

According to the second equation, we can do the following substitution:

$$\vec{x}^T \lambda_2 \vec{y} = \lambda_1 \vec{x}^T \vec{y}$$

$$(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) * \vec{x}^T \vec{y} = 0$$

As eigenvalues are different

$$\vec{x}^T \vec{y} = 0$$

Therefore, the two eigenvectors are orthogonal