

Question 2

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2. Let A, B be matrices similar to each other.

- (a) Show that they have the same eigenvalues. Do they have the same eigenvectors?
- (b) Show that they have the same rank.
- (c) Show that they have the same trace.

a) if $A = SBS^{-1}$ for $S \in GL_n(\mathbb{R})$

and if $A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$

consider $SBS^{-1}\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$

$$\Rightarrow BS^{-1}\vec{v} = \lambda S^{-1}\vec{v}$$

$\therefore \lambda$ is an eigenvalue of A for vector \vec{v}

and thus λ is also an eigenvalue for B

but w/ dif eigenvector $S^{-1}\vec{v} \neq \vec{v} \quad \forall \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$S \in GL_n(\mathbb{R})$$

B) consider for matrix A , there is set

$\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p$, distinct eigenvalues. Then there are at least p linearly independent eigenvectors, eigebasis.

Same for B where $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p$ are distinct e-values

and there are at least p lin ind e-vectors of B .

to form an eigebasis of B .

Thus # lin. ind e-vects for $A (> p) \Rightarrow$

~~A~~ - - - - - for B ($\geq p$)

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\dim \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}}_{A \text{ eigenspace}} = \underbrace{\dim \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}}_{B \text{ eigenspace}}$$

c) lemma $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$

if $A = PDP^{-1}$

$\text{tr}(A) = \text{tr}(PDP^{-1})$, let $DP^{-1} = C$

$\Rightarrow \text{tr}(PC) \Rightarrow \text{tr}(CP) \Rightarrow \text{tr}(DP^{-1}P) \Rightarrow \text{tr}(D)$

$\Rightarrow \text{tr}(D) = \text{tr}(A)$