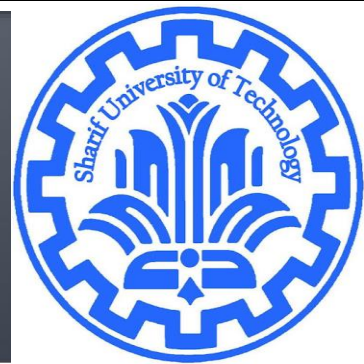


# Eigenvectors and Eigenvalues

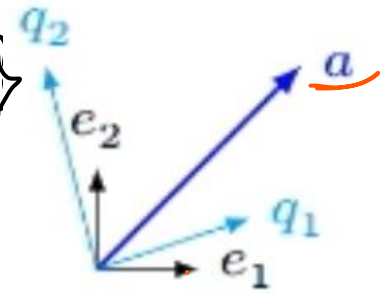
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# Review

- n-vector  $a$  based on basis  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$   

$$a = a_1 e_1 + a_2 e_2 + \dots + a_n e_n$$
- n-vector  $a$  based on new basis  $\{q_1, \dots, q_n\}$



$$a = \overline{a_1} q_1 + \overline{a_2} q_2 + \dots + \overline{a_n} q_n = \underbrace{[q_1 \ \dots \ q_n]}_Q \begin{bmatrix} \overline{a_1} \\ \vdots \\ \overline{a_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Matrix  $Q$  is invertible.
- Any invertible matrix is a basic matrix.

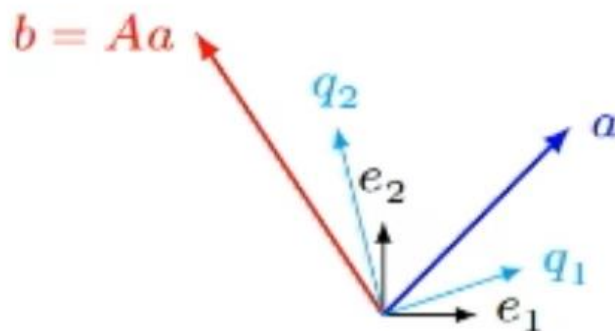
$$a = Q \overline{a}$$

# Review

- A square matrix for a linear transform

$$A : n \times n \quad A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow \boxed{Aa = b} \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a = Q\bar{a} \\ b = Q\bar{b} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow AQ\bar{a} = Q\bar{b} \Rightarrow \underbrace{Q^{-1}AQ}_{\bar{A}} \bar{a} = \bar{b} \Rightarrow \bar{A}\bar{a} = \bar{b}$$



$$\bar{A} = Q^{-1}AQ$$

- Linear transform in new basis
- $\bar{A}$  is the standard matrix of linear transform in new basis.
- Similarity Transformation

# Similar Matrices

- Two  $n$ -by- $n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$  are called **similar** if there exists **an invertible  $n$ -by- $n$  matrix  $Q$**  such that

$$B = Q A Q^{-1}$$

$$A = Q^{-1} B Q$$

- $A$  and  $B$  are similar if  $QA = BQ$
- $A = Q^{-1} B Q \rightarrow B = Q A Q^{-1}$

- Same determinant ✓

- Inverse of  $A$  and  $B$  are similar (if exists) ✓

$$|A| = \underbrace{|Q^{-1}|}_{\frac{1}{|Q|}} |B| |Q| =$$

$$Q A = Q Q^{-1} B Q$$

$$Q A = B Q$$

# Similarity Transformation

- We can use similarity transformation for changing the standard matrix of linear transformation

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

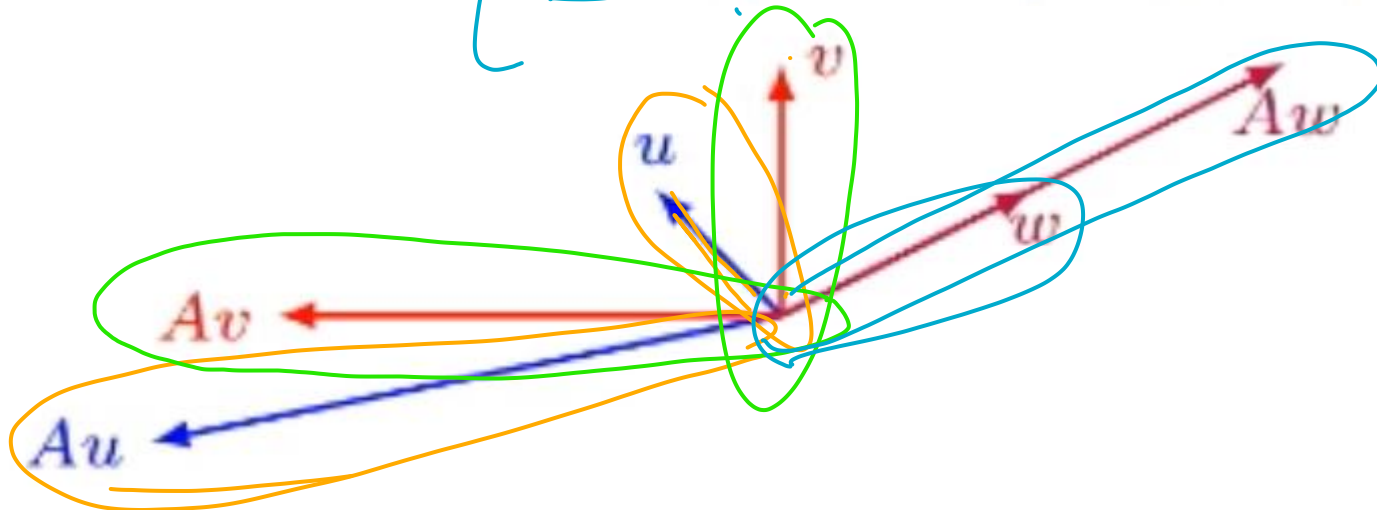
$$\bar{A} = Q^{-1}AQ =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Motivation

■  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \underline{Au} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow Av = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ w = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow Aw = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2w \end{array} \right.$$



# Definition

An **eigenvector** of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is a nonzero vector  $\mathbf{x}$  such that  $A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$  for some scalar  $\lambda$ . A scalar  $\lambda$  is called an **eigenvalue** of  $A$  if there is a nontrivial solution  $\mathbf{x}$  of  $A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$ ; such an  $\mathbf{x}$  is called an *eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda$* .

- An eigenvector must be nonzero, by definition, but an eigenvalue may be zero.
- Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad , \lambda = 2.$$

- Show that 7 is an eigenvalue of matrix  $A$ , and find the corresponding eigenvectors.

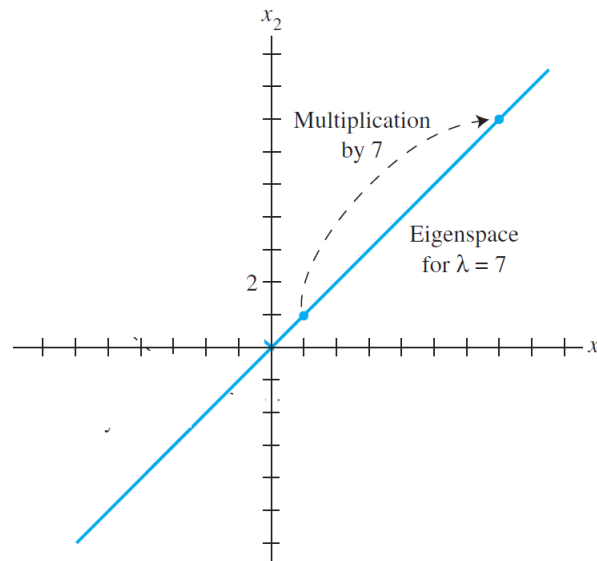
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Eigenspace

$\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  if and only if the equation

$$(A - \lambda I)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \quad (3)$$

has a nontrivial solution. The set of *all* solutions of (3) is just the null space of the matrix  $A - \lambda I$ . So this set is a *subspace* of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and is called the **eigenspace** of  $A$  corresponding to  $\lambda$ . The eigenspace consists of the zero vector and all the eigenvectors corresponding to  $\lambda$ .





# Characteristic Equation

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

- $Av = \lambda v \implies Av - \lambda vI = 0 \implies (A - \lambda I)v = 0 \quad v \neq 0$

- Characteristic equation  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

- Characteristic polynomial  $|A - \lambda I|$   $\Delta_A(\lambda), \Delta(\lambda)$

- Matrix  $n \times n$  has  $n$  eigenvalue

$$\Delta(\lambda) = \begin{vmatrix} a-\lambda & b \\ c & d-\lambda \end{vmatrix} =$$

# Characteristic Equation

## ■ Example

$$\lambda^4 (\lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 12) = \lambda^{\textcircled{4}} (\lambda - 6)(\lambda + 2)$$

6      -2

- The characteristic polynomial of a  $6 \times 6$  matrix is  $\lambda^6 - 4\lambda^5 - 12\lambda^4$ . Find the eigenvalues and their multiplicities.

■  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$        $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$        $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

-2  
+6  
0

# Matrix spectrum

$$\sigma(A) = \{0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 6, -2\}$$

- Set of all eigenvalues of matrix  $\sigma(A)$
- Theorem: The eigenvalues of a triangular (upper/lower/diagonal) matrix are the entries on its main diagonal
  - Proof?
- $0 \in \sigma(A) \Leftrightarrow |A| = 0$
- A is invertible if and only if ..... صفر عدد سده ارموزه ایشی نیست
- 0 is an eigenvalue of A if and only if A is not invertible.

# Similar Matrices

- Similar matrices has equal characteristic equation
  - vice versa?

- Example

■  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$\sigma(A) = \{3, 2, 3\}$

■  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$\{2, 2\}$

$\{2, 2\}$

# Eigenvectors Linear Independence

If  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r$  are eigenvectors that correspond to distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$  of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ , then the set  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r\}$  is linearly independent.

- One way to prove the statement “If P then Q” is to show that P and the negation of Q leads to a contradiction
- Distinct eigenvalues  $\rightarrow$  eigenvectors are LI
- Duplicate eigenvalues  $\rightarrow$  ???
  - Example

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# Some notes

## The Invertible Matrix Theorem

Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Then  $A$  is invertible if and only if:

The number 0 is *not* an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

The determinant of  $A$  is *not* zero.

## WARNINGS:

1. The matrices

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

are not similar even though they have the same eigenvalues.

2. Similarity is not the same as row equivalence. (If  $A$  is row equivalent to  $B$ , then  $B = EA$  for some invertible matrix  $E$ .) Row operations on a matrix usually change its eigenvalues.