

## How to tell if two matrices are similar?

① If  $\chi_A(t) \neq \chi_B(t)$  then A & B not similar  
but, can have  $\chi_A(t) = \chi_B(t)$  even when  
A & B not similar (e.g.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ )

② If A and B have the same eigenvalues but  
the eigenspaces have different dimensions then  
A and B are not similar  
But even if they are all the same, it doesn't  
always mean A & B are similar

③ If A & B are both diagonalizable, they are  
similar if and only if they have the same  
eigenvals with same multiplicity

$$A = \underline{P} D P^{-1}$$

↓ same

$$B = \underline{Q} D Q^{-1}$$

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

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

eigenvals of A

$$A = \underline{P Q^{-1}} B Q P^{-1}$$

$\Rightarrow$  A and B are similar

↓

$$(P Q^{-1})^{-1} = (Q^{-1})^{-1} P^{-1} = Q P^{-1}$$

Practice MT2 #3

$$(4) \mathbb{P}_2 = \{ a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 \mid a_0, a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$T: \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2 \quad T(p) = 2t \cdot \frac{d}{dt} p(t) + p(-1)$$

Is there a basis  $B$  of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  s.t.  ${}_B[T]_B$  is diagonal?

$$C = \{ t^2, t, 1 \}$$

$${}_C[T]_C = \begin{bmatrix} [T(t^2)]_C & [T(t)]_C & [T(1)]_C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(t^2) = 2t(2t) + (-1)^2 = 4t^2 + 1$$

$$T(t) = 2t \cdot 1 + (-1) = 2t - 1 = 0 \cdot t^2 + 2 \cdot t + (-1) \cdot 1$$

$$T(1) = 2t \cdot 0 + 1 = 1$$

Diagonalize  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  & then translate the eigenvector basis back to  $\mathbb{P}_2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

char. poly:  $(4-\lambda)(2-\lambda)(1-\lambda)$

Eigenvalues: 4, 2, 1

$$E_4: \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 3x_3 \\ x_2 &= 0 \\ x_3 &\text{ free} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$E_2: \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 0 \\ x_2 &= -x_3 \\ x_3 &\text{ free} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$E_1: \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 0 \\ x_2 &= 0 \\ x_3 &\text{ free} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$3t^2 + 0t + 1$$

$$0 \cdot t^2 - t + 1$$

$$0 \cdot t^2 + 0 \cdot t + 1$$

$$\{3t^2 + 1, -t + 1, 1\}$$

$${}_C[T]_C = A$$

$${}_C[T]_C = \underbrace{P}_{C \leftarrow B} \underbrace{[T]_B}_B \underbrace{P^{-1}}_{C \leftarrow B}$$

$$A = \underbrace{PDP^{-1}}$$

change of basis between two bases for  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Goal: find this basis

$$B = \{ p_1, p_2, p_3 \}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \begin{aligned} [p_1]_C &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow p_1 = 3t^2 + 1 \\ &\vdots \\ [p_3]_C &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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

Eigenvector basis:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

A list of eigenvectors which do not form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

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

Eigenvector basis:

Not a basis:

Eigenvectors w/  
eigenval 2

Eigenvector w/  
eigenval 3

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

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

lin. dep.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^B [T_A]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonalize

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

std = B

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

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

A. Find P, and D diagonal, s.t.  $A = PDP^{-1}$

$$\textcircled{1} \chi_A(t) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1-t & -2 \\ 1 & 4-t \end{bmatrix} = (1-t)(4-t) - (-2) \cdot 1$$

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

$$x_1 = -x_2 \Rightarrow x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x_2$  free

$$= 4 - 5t + t^2 + 2$$

$$= t^2 - 5t + 6$$

$$= (t-2)(t-3)$$

Eigenvalues:  $2, 3$

$$\textcircled{2} E_2 = \text{Null}(A - 2I) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 = R_2 + R_1} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = -2x_2$$

$x_2$  free

$$E_3 = \text{Null}(A - 3I) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

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

What is  $A^{1000} = ?$

$$A^{1000} = \cancel{PDP^{-1}} \cancel{PDP^{-1}} \dots \dots \cancel{PDP^{-1}}$$

$$= P D^{1000} P^{-1}$$

easy to compute

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2^{1000} & 0 \\ 0 & 3^{1000} \end{bmatrix}$$



If  $A$  ( $2 \times 2$ ) has complex eigenvals but real entries then

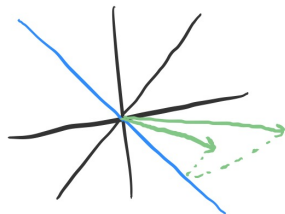
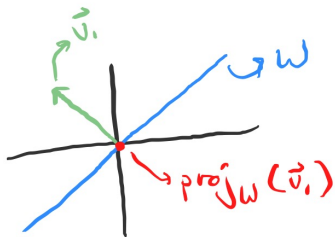
$$A = P \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} P^{-1} \text{ for some } a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

$A^{1000}$  ?

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} = \text{scaling} \cdot \text{rotation}$$

T/F If  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$  lin. ind. &  $W$  a subspace  
then  $\text{proj}_W(\vec{v}_1), \dots, \text{proj}_W(\vec{v}_k)$  lin. ind.

False



# Change of Basis

Suppose  $B = \{\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n\}$  and  $C = \{\vec{c}_1, \dots, \vec{c}_n\}$  are bases for the same vector space,  $V$ .

If  $\vec{v} \in V$  and you are given  $[\vec{v}]_B$ , what is  $[\vec{v}]_C$ ?

$$[\vec{v}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Answer:  $[\vec{v}]_C = P_{C \leftarrow B} [\vec{v}]_B$

where

$$P_{C \leftarrow B} = \begin{bmatrix} [\vec{b}_1]_C & \dots & [\vec{b}_n]_C \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose  $\vec{b}_1 = x_{11} \vec{c}_1 + x_{12} \vec{c}_2 + \dots + x_{1n} \vec{c}_n$

$$\vdots$$
$$\vec{b}_n = x_{n1} \vec{c}_1 + x_{n2} \vec{c}_2 + \dots + x_{nn} \vec{c}_n$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & \dots & \dots & x_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{v} = a_1 \cdot \vec{b}_1 + a_2 \cdot \vec{b}_2 + \dots + a_n \cdot \vec{b}_n = a_1 (x_{11} \vec{c}_1 + x_{12} \vec{c}_2 + \dots + x_{1n} \vec{c}_n) + \dots + a_n (x_{n1} \vec{c}_1 + \dots + x_{nn} \vec{c}_n)$$
$$= (a_1 x_{11} + a_2 x_{21} + \dots + a_n x_{n1}) \vec{c}_1 + \dots + (a_1 x_{1n} + \dots + a_n x_{nn}) \vec{c}_n$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad P_{D \leftarrow C} P_{C \leftarrow B} = P_{D \leftarrow B}$$

$$P_{D \leftarrow C} P_{C \leftarrow B} [\vec{v}]_B = P_{D \leftarrow C} [\vec{v}]_C = [\vec{v}]_D$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad P_{C \leftarrow B}^{-1} = P_{B \leftarrow C}$$

$\textcircled{3}$  If  $B$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$   $B = \{ \vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n \}$

then  $P_{\text{std} \leftarrow B} = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ \vec{b}_1 & \dots & \vec{b}_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$

$$[\vec{v}]_{\text{std}} = \vec{v}$$

practice MTZ #2

$$(2a) \mathbb{P}_2 = \{ a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 \mid a_0, a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$T: \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ defined by } T(q) = \begin{bmatrix} q(2) \\ q(-3) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \{ 1, t+1, t^2+t \} \quad E = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{std}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Find } {}_{\text{std}} [T]_B &= \left[ [T(1)]_{\text{std}} \quad [T(t+1)]_{\text{std}} \quad [T(t^2+t)]_{\text{std}} \right] \\ &= \left[ T(1) \quad T(t+1) \quad T(t^2+t) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$T(1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(t+1) = \begin{bmatrix} 2+1 \\ -3+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(t^2+t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2^2+2 \\ (-3)^2+(-3) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & -2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Isomorphisms of vector spaces

If  $V$  and  $W$  are vector spaces, an isomorphism between  $V$  and  $W$  is a linear transformation  $T: V \rightarrow W$  such that  $T$  is 1-to-1 and onto

"If  $V$  and  $W$  are isomorphic then they are the same in every way that matters"

Example: If  $T: V \rightarrow W$  is an isomorphism then  $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$

Suppose  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  is a basis for  $V$   $\Rightarrow \dim(V) = \dim(W) = n$   
We can show  $T(\vec{v}_1), \dots, T(\vec{v}_n)$  is a basis for  $W$

Lin. ind.: If  $a_1 T(\vec{v}_1) + \dots + a_n T(\vec{v}_n) = \vec{0}$   
 $\Rightarrow T(a_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + a_n \vec{v}_n) = \vec{0}$  (linearity of  $T$ )  
 $\Rightarrow a_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + a_n \vec{v}_n = \vec{0}$  (b/c  $T(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$  &  $T$  is 1-to-1)  
 $\Rightarrow a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_n = 0$  (b/c  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  lin. ind.)

An isomorphism is a linear transformation between  
two vector spaces  
"Comparing vector spaces"

Similar matrices are two matrices  $A$  and  $B$  s.t.  
there is an invertible matrix  
 $P$  for which  $A = PBP^{-1}$

"Comparing matrices/linear transformations"

Matrix w/ eigenvalue 0

$A$  is  $n \times n$

If  $A$  has 0 as an eigenvalue

$\Leftrightarrow$  there is a nonzero vector  $\vec{v}$  s.t.  $A\vec{v} = 0 \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{0}$

$\Leftrightarrow$  there is some nonzero vector  $\vec{v} \in \text{Null}(A)$

$\Leftrightarrow A$  is not invertible

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$$E_0 = \text{Null}(A - 0 \cdot I) = \text{Null}(A)$$

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Since  $A$  is square,  $A$  has free variables if and only if  $A$  has less than  $n$  pivots if and only if  $A$  has a row with no pivots

Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow \text{free variable} \\ \rightarrow \text{all 0's} \end{array}$$



## How to check if $A$ is diagonalizable ( $A$ is $n \times n$ )

- ① Find the eigenvalues of  $A$ ,  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$
- ② For each eigenvalue  $\lambda_i$ , find the dimension of  $E_{\lambda_i} = \text{Null}(A - \lambda_i I_n)$
- ③ IF the dimensions sum to  $n \Rightarrow$  diagonalizable  
otherwise  $\Rightarrow$  not diagonalizable

"diagonalizable  $\Leftrightarrow$  there is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$   
consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ "

Assume  $A$   $n \times n$  diagonalizable  
Show  $(A^{-1})^2$  diagonalizable

$A = PDP^{-1}$  for  $P$  invertible &  $D$  diagonal

$$\begin{aligned}(A^{-1})^2 &= (PDP^{-1})^{-2} \\ &= (P^{-1}D^{-1}P)^2 \\ &= (PD^{-1}P^{-1})^2 \\ &= PD^{-1}P^{-1} \overset{I}{P} DP^{-1} \\ &= PD^{-2}P^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

2 things that should be justified:

- ① Why is  $D$  invertible?
- ② Why is  $D^{-2}$  diagonal?