

Def: For  $L: V \rightarrow V$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , let 151

$L_\lambda = \{v \in V \mid L(v) = \lambda v\}$ . Note:  $L(\theta) = \theta = \lambda \cdot \theta$

so  $\theta \in L_\lambda$ .

Th:  $L_\lambda \leq V$ , called the  $\lambda$  eigenspace of  $L$  if  $L_\lambda \neq \{\theta\}$  non-trivial subspace whose non zero vectors are all e-vectors for  $L$  with e-value  $\lambda$ .

Pf:  $\theta \in L_\lambda$  done. If  $u, v \in L_\lambda$  then

$L(u) = \lambda u$  and  $L(v) = \lambda v$  so

$L(u+v) = L(u) + L(v) = \lambda u + \lambda v = \lambda(u+v)$  so

$u+v \in L_\lambda$ .

If  $u \in L_\lambda$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $L(u) = \lambda u$  L152  
and  $L(cu) = cL(u) = c(\lambda u) = (c\lambda)u =$   
 $(\lambda c)u = \lambda(cu)$  so  $c u \in L_\lambda$ .  $\square$

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General Procedure: Given  $L: V \rightarrow V$

- ① Find all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $L_\lambda \neq \{\emptyset\}$
- ② List them  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_r$  (distinct)
- ③ For each  $\lambda_i$  find a basis of  $L_{\lambda_i}$ ,  
 $T_i = \{w_{i1}, w_{i2}, \dots, w_{ig_i}\}$ ,  $g_i = \dim(L_{\lambda_i})$   
called geometric multiplicity of  $\lambda_i$  for  $L$ .
- ④ Is  $T = T_1 \cup T_2 \cup \dots \cup T_r$  a basis for  $V$ ?

⑤ If  $T$  is a basis for  $V$ , it is an [153]  
e-basis,  $L$  is diag-able, and

$${}_T[L]_T = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 I_{g_1} & & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 I_{g_2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \lambda_r I_{g_r} \end{bmatrix} = D \text{ is a diagonal matrix}$$

representing  $L$  w.r.t.  $T$ .

If  $A = {}_S[L]_S$   $P = {}_S P_T$  = transition matrix from  $T$  to  $S$

then  $D = P^{-1}AP$  has "diagonalized"  $A$ .

Example: Try to diagonalize  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

Step ①: Find all possible e-values

$\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $AX = \lambda X$  for  $0 \neq X \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$

Suppose  $AX = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$  then it means

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda x_1 \\ \lambda x_2 \\ \lambda x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda I_3 X$$

same as  $(*) (A - \lambda I_3) X = 0$  so looking for

$\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\text{Nul}(A - \lambda I_3)$  is non-trivial

$(*)$  has non-zero solutions.

$$[A - \lambda I_3 | 0^3] \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 1 & 1-\lambda & 1 & | & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1-\lambda & | & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & \lambda-1 & & \end{bmatrix}$$

try row op's  
 $-R_3 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1$   
 $-R_3 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2$

get

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 0 & \lambda & | & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda & \lambda & | & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1-\lambda & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1-\lambda & | & 0 \\ \lambda & 0 & -\lambda & | & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & -\lambda & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Two cases:  
 $\lambda = 0$  or  
 $\lambda \neq 0$

Case ①  $\lambda = 0$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} x_1 = -r-s \\ x_2 = r \\ x_3 = s \end{matrix} \text{ free}$

$$\boxed{\lambda_1 = 0}$$

$$\text{Nul}(A - \lambda I_3) = \text{Nul}(A) = A_0 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -r-s \\ r \\ s \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid r, s \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

has basis  $T_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 $w_{11} \quad w_{12}$

$$g_{\lambda_1} = \dim(A_{\lambda_1}) = 2$$

Case (2):  $\lambda \neq 0$ :  $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & (1-\lambda) & 0 \\ \lambda & 0 & -\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & -\lambda & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & (1-\lambda) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & (1-\lambda) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3-\lambda & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

has free variables iff  $\lambda = 3$ .

So only other e-value

is  $\lambda_2 = 3$

To get e-space  $A_3 = \text{Nul}(A - 3I_3)$

solve  $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} x_1 = r \\ x_2 = r \\ x_3 = r \text{ free} \end{array}$

$$A_3 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} r \\ r \\ r \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid r \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

has basis  $T_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = w_{21} \right\}$ ,  $g_{\lambda_2} = \dim(A_3) = 1$

Is  $T = T_1 \cup T_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  an e-basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

for  $A$ ? If so, find  $P = S P_T$ ,  $D = P^{-1} A P$ .

check:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $A \quad w_{11} \quad = 0 w_{11}$

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$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $A \quad w_{12} \quad = 0 w_{12} \quad \quad \quad A \quad w_{21} \quad = 3 w_{21}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is in RREF so  $P_T = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = P$   
 $S \quad T$  (as columns)

$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} + \\ + \end{matrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & | & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & -1/3 & 2/3 & -1/3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & -1/3 & -1/3 & 2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\begin{matrix} T \\ S \end{matrix}$  (as columns)  
 $\frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = P^{-1}$

$$P^{-1}AP = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is diagonal, } \begin{array}{l} \lambda_1 = 0 \\ \lambda_2 = 3 \end{array}$$

Note:  $\lambda_1 = 0$  was repeated corresponding to  $g_{\lambda_1} = 2$ .

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Exercise: Show that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  can not be diagonalized using only real numbers.



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$\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r \in \mathbb{R}$  with corresponding e-vectors  
 $w_1, \dots, w_r \in V$ , so  $L(w_i) = \lambda_i w_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq r$ .  
Then  $S = \{w_1, \dots, w_r\} \subseteq V$  is independent.

Proof. Suppose  $\theta = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i w_i$  is a shortest  
dep. relation on  $S$ , so all  $c_i \neq 0$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ .

We may have relabeled vectors for convenience.  
Apply  $L$  to get  $\theta = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i L(w_i) = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \lambda_i w_i$

Could also just multiply the dep rel. by  $\lambda_1$ , get  
 $\theta = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \lambda_1 w_i$ . Subtract 2<sup>nd</sup> eq. from 1<sup>st</sup>:

$$\text{Get } \theta = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i (\lambda_i - \lambda_1) w_i = \sum_{i=2}^m c_i (\lambda_i - \lambda_1) w_i$$

Note:  $m \geq 2$  since  $\theta = c_1 \omega_1$  can't happen (160)  
( $c_1 \neq 0, \omega_1 \neq \theta$ ).

The  $i=1$  term is  $c_1(\lambda_1 - \lambda_1)\omega_1 = c_1(0)\omega_1 = \theta$ .  
For  $2 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $\lambda_i - \lambda_1 \neq 0$  (distinct e-values),  
so  $\theta = \sum_{i=2}^m c_i(\lambda_i - \lambda_1)\omega_i$  is a shorter dep.  
rel on  $S$ , contradicting "shortest" chosen.  $\square$

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Th: Let  $L: V \rightarrow V$  have distinct e-values  
 $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r \in \mathbb{R}$  and for  $1 \leq i \leq r$  let  
 $T_i = \{\omega_{i1}, \dots, \omega_{ig_i}\}$  be a basis of e-space  $L_{\lambda_i}$ .  
Then  $T = T_1 \cup T_2 \cup \dots \cup T_r$  is independent.

Note:  $T = \{\omega_{11}, \dots, \omega_{1g_1}, \omega_{21}, \dots, \omega_{2g_2}, \dots, \omega_{r1}, \dots, \omega_{rg_r}\}$   
is a list of  $g_1 + g_2 + \dots + g_r$  e-vectors in  $V$ .

root. Since  $w_{ij} \in T_i \subseteq L_{\lambda_i}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq r$  |16|  
and  $1 \leq j \leq g_i$  we have  $L(w_{ij}) = \lambda_i w_{ij}$ .

Suppose  $T$  were dependent, so there is  
a "shortest" dep. rel. on  $T$ . If necessary,  
by relabeling sets  $T_i$  and vectors in  $T_i$ ,  
we could write that dep. rel. as

$$\Theta = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{h_i} c_{ij} w_{ij} \quad \text{where each } c_{ij} \neq 0.$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^m w_i \quad \text{where } w_i = \sum_{j=1}^{h_i} c_{ij} w_{ij} \in L_{\lambda_i}$$

and each  $w_i \neq \Theta$  since  $T_i$  is indep and  $c_{ij} \neq 0$ .  
But that contradicts the last Theorem, so  $T$  indep.  $\square$

This means  $T$  is a basis of  $V$  iff  $\|162$   
 $g_1 + g_2 + \dots + g_r = n = \dim(V)$ , so  $L$  is  
diag-able iff we get a basis of e-vectors  
for  $V$ , enough from each e-space  $L_{\lambda_i}$   
to make an e-basis for all of  $V = \langle T \rangle$ .

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Focus now on finding all distinct e-values  
 $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$  for  $L: V \rightarrow V$  or for  $A \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .  
Find all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $(L - \lambda I_V)(v) = 0$   
has solutions  $v \neq 0$ , that is, s.t.  
 $\ker(L - \lambda I_V) \neq \{0_V\}$ . Let  $S$  be any basis  
of  $V$ , and  $A = {}_S[L]_S$  so  $A - \lambda I_n = {}_S[L - \lambda I_V]_S$ .

$\text{Nul}(A - \lambda I_n) \neq \{0\}$  iff  $\text{rank}(A - \lambda I_n) < n$  163

iff  $A - \lambda I_n$  is not invertible.

Use determinants to study this, and for other uses.

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Def. For  $1 \leq n \in \mathbb{Z}$  (integer) let

$S = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and let

$S_n = \text{Perm}(S) = \{f: S \rightarrow S \mid f \text{ is bijective}\}$

Notation: Write  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & i & \dots & n \\ f(1) & f(2) & \dots & f(i) & \dots & f(n) \end{pmatrix}$

like a table of values. Examples:

$S_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  has only two elements.

$S_3 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  has six elements.

For  $f = (f^1(1) f^2(2) \dots f^n(n))$  there are 164

# of choices:  $n(n-1)\dots(2)(1) = n!$  ("n factorial")

So  $S_n$  contains  $n!$  distinct elements, each one a bijection from  $S$  to  $S$ .

Composition of any two elements of  $S_n$  is another one, so have a binary operation on  $S_n$ , composition.

Example: For  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

find  $f \circ g$  and  $g \circ f$ .

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f \circ g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g \circ f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note:

$f \circ g \neq g \circ f$   
can happen.

Note:  $I = I_S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & i & \dots & n \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & i & \dots & n \end{pmatrix}$  the identity 165

map on  $S$  is bijective so  $I \in S_n$  and

$\forall f \in S_n, f \circ I = f = I \circ f$ , so have an identity element for  $\circ$  in  $S_n$ .

Also:  $\forall f \in S_n, f^{-1} \in S_n$  since bijections are invertible and their inverses are bijective.

$$\text{Ex: } f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ has } f^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{just permute columns to} \\ \text{get top row in order} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 1 & 4 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Th:  $(S_n, \circ, I)$  is a group under composition with id. elt.  $I$ .