

Examples: Find an eigenbasis and a diagonal matrix similar to:

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

2.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

3.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

1.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  find solutions to  $\det(A - \lambda I_2) = 0$

$f_A(\lambda) = \underbrace{(1-\lambda)}_1 \underbrace{(2-\lambda)}_2$  Thus  $A$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda=1$  and  $\lambda=2$ .

"If we have an  $n \times n$  matrix with  $n$  distinct eigenvalues then it is

similar to a diagonal matrix having those eigenvalues in the diagonal."

$E_1: \ker(A - I_2) \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \vec{0} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  a solution.

$E_2: \ker(A - 2I_2) \quad \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \vec{0} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  a solution.

$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ ,  $A$  is similar to  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

2.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $2 \times 2$

$f_A(\lambda) = (1-\lambda)(1-\lambda) = \underbrace{(1-\lambda)^2}_{\lambda=1}$

$\lambda=1$  is an eigenvalue with algebraic multiplicity 2.

$E_1: \ker(A - I_2) \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \vec{0} \quad \vec{x} = t \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$E_1 = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$   $\dim E_1 = 1$   $\dim \text{span}(\vec{v}) = 1$

The sum of the geometric multiplicities of  $A$  is 1, which is not 2, so

$A$  does not have an eigenbasis.

$$3. A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Answer: 1. No because it has two rows of zeroes.

This is diagonalizable!

$$f_A(\lambda) = \underbrace{(1-\lambda)}_1 \underbrace{(-\lambda)}_0 \underbrace{(-\lambda)}_0$$

$$E_0: \ker(A) \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \vec{0} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -t-s \\ t \\ s \end{bmatrix} = t \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dim(E_0) = \text{geom}(0) = 2 \quad E_0 = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$E_1: \ker(A - I_3) \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \vec{0} \quad \vec{x} = t \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dim(E_1) = \text{geom}(1) = 1 \quad E_1 = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

When the geometric multiplicities add up to the size of the matrix, there is

an eigenbasis. This eigenbasis is formed by putting together the basis

elements of the eigenspaces.

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \text{ so } A \text{ is similar to } B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \end{bmatrix}^m$$

$$\text{Rank: } A = S B S^{-1}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ 0 & & & \lambda u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^m & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \lambda_n^m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A^{100} &= (SBS^{-1})^{100} = \\ &= (SBS^{-1})(SBS^{-1})\dots(SBS^{-1}) = \\ &= S B^{100} S^{-1} = SBS^{-1} = A. \end{aligned}$$

Remark:  $A$  has eigenvectors  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2$   $B = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$   
 $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \lambda & & \\ \mathbb{B} & \xleftrightarrow[S]{S^{-1}} & \mathbb{H} \end{array} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} [A(\vec{v}_1)]_{\mathbb{H}} & [A(\vec{v}_2)]_{\mathbb{H}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Recall:  $\text{geomul}(\lambda) = n - \text{rank}(A - \lambda I_n)$ .

Example: Find all the values  $a, b, c$  for which  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalizable.

$\lambda = 1, \lambda = 0$   
algebraic multiplicity 2. algebraic multiplicity 1

Recall:  $\text{geomul}(\lambda) \leq \text{algebraic}(\lambda)$

$$\dim(E_0) = \text{geomul}(0) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(E_1) &= \text{geomul}(1) = 3 - \text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ 0 & -1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 3 - \text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -1 & c \end{bmatrix} = \\ &= \begin{cases} 3-2 & \text{if } ac+b \neq 0 \leftarrow \text{invertible} \\ 3-1 & \text{if } ac+b = 0 \leftarrow \text{not invertible} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Sum of geomul's is:

2 if  $ac+b \neq 0$   $\leftarrow$  No to eigenbasis.

3 if  $ac+b = 0$   $\leftarrow$  Yes to eigenbasis.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+ib & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark:

1.  $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$  is similar to  $\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a-ib \end{bmatrix}$ .

2. If  $A$  has eigenvalues  $a \pm ib$  then  $A$  is similar to  $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$ .