

**Example 8.1**

Illustrate Theorem 8.1 for the span of two vectors,  $\vec{u}_1$  and  $\vec{u}_2$ .

**Example 8.2**

Determine a basis for the set of vectors  $\left\{ c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \mid c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ .

**Example 8.3**

Determine a basis for the set of vectors  $\left\{ c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \mid c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ .

**Example 8.4**

Determine whether or not  $[5, 5, 10]^T \in \text{col}(A)$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & -2 \\ -1 & 6 & 4 \\ 5 & 14 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Example 8.5**

Show that solutions to the equation  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -7 \\ -6 & 14 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  form a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and then find a basis for that subspace.

**Example 8.6**

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ . Determine whether  $[2 \ 1 \ 0]^T$  is an element of either the column space or the null space of  $A$ .

**Example 8.7**

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & -5 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $\text{RREF}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- Find a basis for the null space of  $A$  and explicitly show that it is indeed a basis for the null space of  $A$ .
- Find a basis for the column space of  $A$  and explicitly show that it is indeed a basis for the column space of  $A$ .
- State the rank of  $A$ .

**Example 8.8**

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -4 & 3 & -2 & -5 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & -11 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 & -3 & -1 & 11 \\ -2 & -2 & 4 & -1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- What are the dimensions of the null space and column space of  $A$  and how do you know. What do these dimensions sum to?
- State bases for the null space and column space of  $A$ .

**Example 8.9**

Determine the dimension of  $\text{span} \left\{ \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ -16 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 11 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right\}$ .

**Example 8.10**

Find a basis for the null space of  $B$  where  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -i & 1 \\ -1 & -i \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Definitions 8.1-8.3: Subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$** 

A **subspace** of the vector space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that contains the zero vector from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and is closed over vector addition and scalar multiplication.

A set of vectors,  $H$ , is **closed over vector addition** if and only if  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in H \ \forall \vec{u}, \vec{v} \in H$ .

A set of vectors,  $H$ , is **closed over scalar multiplication** if and only if  $c\vec{u} \in H \ \forall \vec{u} \in H, c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Theorem 8.1**

The span of a set of vectors from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Definition 8.4**

A set of linearly independent vectors that span a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called a **basis** for that subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Definition 8.5 and Theorem 8.2**

The **column space** of a matrix  $A$  is the set of all linear combinations of the column vectors of  $A$ . If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, then  $\text{Col}(A)$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

**Definition 8.6 and Theorem 8.3**

The **null space** of a matrix  $A$  is the set of all solutions to the equation  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ . If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, then  $\text{Nul}(A)$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Theorems 8.4 and 8.5: Finding bases for the null space and column space of a matrix**

- A spanning set of the solution set to the homogenous system  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  forms a basis for the null space of  $A$ .
- The pivot columns of  $A$  form a basis for the column space of  $A$ .

**Theorems 8.6-8.8 and Definition 8.7**

If one basis of a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  contains  $m$  vectors, then every basis of **that** subspace contains  $m$  vectors. Additionally, any set of  $m$  linearly independent vectors from the subspace forms a basis for the subspace and any set of  $m$  vectors that spans the subspace forms a basis for the subspace. The **dimension** of such a subspace is  $m$ , i.e. the dimension of the subspace is the number of vectors in each basis for the subspace.

**Definition 8.8 and Theorem 8.9**

The **rank** of a matrix  $A$  is the number of nonzero rows in  $\text{RREF}(A)$ . The dimension of the column space of  $A$  is equal to the rank of  $A$ .

**Theorem 8.10**

If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, then  $\dim(\text{Col}(A)) + \dim(\text{Nul}(A)) = n$ .

**Theorem 8.11: “Theorem 8” revisited**

If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, then either each of the following statements is true about  $A$  or each of the following statements is false about  $A$ .

- a.  $A$  is an invertible matrix (i.e.,  $A$  is nonsingular).
- b.  $A$  is row equivalent to  $I_n$ .
- c.  $A$  has  $n$  pivot columns.
- d. The only solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  is  $\vec{0}$  (the trivial solution).
- e. The columns of  $A$  form a linearly independent set.
- f. The linear transformation  $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$  is one-to-one.
- g. The equation  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has exactly one solution  $\forall \vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- h. The columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- i. The linear transformation  $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$  is onto  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- l.  $A^T$  is nonsingular.
- m.  $\det(A) \neq 0$
- n. The columns of  $A$  form a basis  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- o.  $\text{Col}(A) = \mathbb{R}^n$
- p.  $\dim(\text{Col}(A)) = n$
- q.  $\text{Nul}(A) = \{\vec{0}\}$
- r.  $\dim(\text{Nul}(A)) = 0$

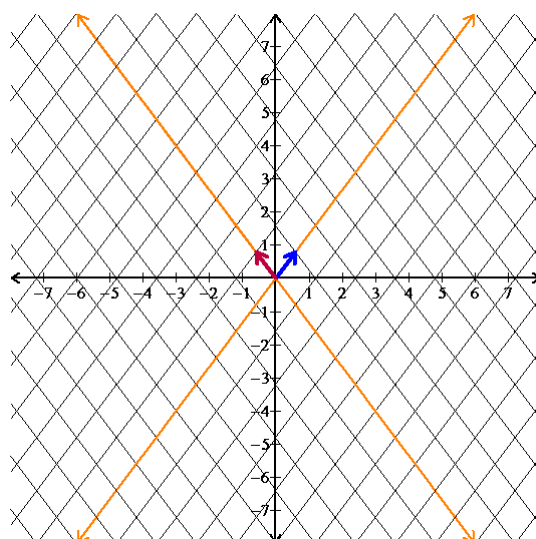
**Example 9.1**

Consider the  $\mathbb{R}^2$  basis  $\beta = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ . Answer each of the following questions relative to  $\beta$ .

- a. Determine  $\vec{x}$  if  $[\vec{x}]_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ .      b. Determine  $[\vec{x}]_\beta$  if  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 26 \\ -39 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Example 9.2**

Let  $\vec{c}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3/5 \\ 4/5 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{c}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -3/5 \\ 4/5 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\gamma = \{ \vec{c}_1, \vec{c}_2 \}$ . Find the change-of-basis matrix from the standard basis to  $\gamma$  and use that matrix to find  $[\vec{x}]_\gamma$ .

**Example 9.3**

Let  $\beta = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  and  $\gamma = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ . Find the transition matrix from  $\beta$  to  $\gamma$  and

use that to find  $[\vec{x}]_\gamma$  where  $[\vec{x}]_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ . Verify the result!

**Theorem 9.1 and Definition 9.1**

Suppose that the set  $\beta = \{\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2, \dots, \vec{b}_n\}$  forms a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then for each vector  $\vec{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , there exists a unique set of constants,  $c_1 - c_n$  such that  $\vec{x} = c_1 \vec{b}_1 + c_2 \vec{b}_2 + \dots + c_n \vec{b}_n$ . The constants  $c_1 - c_n$  are called the  $\beta$ -coordinates of  $\vec{x}$  and this relationship is symbolized as:

$$[\vec{x}]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Theorem 9.2**

Suppose that  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are both bases for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and that  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  by the rule  $T([\vec{x}]_{\beta}) = [\vec{x}]_{\gamma}$ . Then  $T$  is a one-to-one, onto linear transformation and, as such, there exists a matrix  $\underset{\gamma \leftarrow \beta}{P}$  with the property

$$\text{that } [\vec{x}]_{\gamma} = \underset{\gamma \leftarrow \beta}{P} [\vec{x}]_{\beta}.$$

**Theorem 9.3**

Suppose that  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are two ordered bases for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and the components of  $\vec{x}$  relative to  $\beta$  are known. Then the components of  $\vec{x}$  relative to  $\gamma$  can be determined by the equation

$$[\vec{x}]_{\gamma} = \underset{\gamma \leftarrow \beta}{P} [\vec{x}]_{\beta} \text{ where } \underset{\gamma \leftarrow \beta}{P} \text{ is called the } \underline{\text{change-of-coordinates matrix}} \text{ from } \beta \text{ to } \gamma.$$

When working in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  we can find  $\underset{\gamma \leftarrow \beta}{P}$  using Gaussian elimination. Specifically:

$$[\gamma \mid \beta] \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \left[ I_n \mid \underset{\gamma \leftarrow \beta}{P} \right]$$

Please note that this implies that if  $\beta$  is the standard ordered basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then the change-of-basis matrix to  $\gamma$  is simply  $\gamma^{-1}$ .

**Example 10.1**

Determine the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix  $A$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Example 10.2**

Whence the characteristic equation?

**Example 10.3**

Determine the eigenvalues for  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 6 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 12 & 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Example 10.4**

Determine bases for the eigenspaces of  $B$  where  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Example 10.5**

Determine two distinct diagonalizations of  $A$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Example 10.6**

Diagonalize  $B$  where  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ; use the result to simplify  $B^n$  where  $n$  is a natural number. To get to the point more quickly, let's use our calculators to find the eigenvalues of  $M$ .

**Example 10.7**

What happens when we try to diagonalize  $M$  where  $M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -5 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ? To get to the point more expeditiously, let's use our calculators to find the eigenvalues of  $M$ .

**Example 10.8**

Consider the recursive series where  $a_1 = 1$ ,  $a_2 = 1$ , and  $a_k = 2a_{k-1} + 3a_{k-2}$  for  $k \geq 3$ . Let's find a general term formula (non-recursive) for  $a_k$  starting at  $k = 3$ .

**Example 10.9**

Diagonalize  $T$  where  $T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Definitions 10.1-10.3: Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors (of square matrices)**

A non-zero vector  $\vec{v}$  is called **an eigenvector** of the square matrix  $A$  if there exists a scalar,  $\lambda$ , with the property that  $A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$ . If such a vector and scalar exist, the scalar  $\lambda$  is called **an eigenvalue** of  $A$ .

The eigenvalues of  $A$  are the solutions to the equation  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ ; this equation is called **the characteristic equation** of  $A$ .

**Definitions 10.4 and 10.5: Eigenspaces (of square matrices)**

The set of all eigenvectors associated with the specific eigenvalue  $\lambda_i$  is called the  **$\lambda_i$ -eigenspace of  $A$** . The dimension of the  $\lambda_i$ -eigenspace is called the geometric multiplicity of  $\lambda_i$ .

**Definition 10.6 and Theorem 10.1: Similar Matrices**

The square matrices  $A$  and  $B$  are **similar matrices** if and only if there exists a matrix  $P$  with the property that  $A = PBP^{-1}$  (or, similarly,  $P^{-1}AP = B$ ). Similar matrices have the same characteristic equation.

**NOTE:** Not all matrices that share a characteristic equation are similar!

**Theorem 10.2 and Definition 10.: 7Diagonalization of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$**

If  $A$  has  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors, then  $A$  is similar to a diagonal matrix,  $D$ . Furthermore,  $D = P^{-1}AP$  where the columns of  $P$  are composed of  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors of  $A$  and the main diagonal entry in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  column of  $D$  is the eigenvalue that corresponds to the eigenvector in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  column of  $P$ . The product  $PDP^{-1}$  is called a **diagonalization** of  $A$ .