

Section 7.3

$n \times n$ systems of linear equations:

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n$$

$$\text{or, } Ax = b.$$

If b is the zero vector, we say $Ax = 0$ is homogeneous. If $b \neq 0$ (has at least one nonzero entry), then we say $Ax = b$ is nonhomogeneous.

If $\det A \neq 0$, then A^{-1} exists, and $Ax = b$ has a unique solution, $x = A^{-1}b$.

If $\det A = 0$, then

$Ax = 0$ has infinitely many solutions
and $Ax = b \neq 0$ has ~~to~~ either no solutions
or infinitely many.

Vector Spaces

Let $V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ or $\mathbb{C}^n$. If the two closure axioms hold then V is called a vector space.

① If $v, w \in V$, then $v + w \in V$.

② If $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ (or $\mathbb{C}$), then $\alpha v \in V$.
and $v \in V$

In $\mathbb{R}^2$, lines going through the origin are vector spaces.
So are $\mathbb{R}^2$ itself and $\{0\}$.

In $\mathbb{R}^3$, lines and planes going through the origin are vector spaces. So are $\mathbb{R}^3$ itself and $\{0\}$.

If F is a set of functions going from $\mathbb{R}$ to $\mathbb{R}$, then F is said to be a vector space if the two closure axioms hold true.

Example The solution set to $y'' + y = 0$ is the vector space $\{C_1 \cos x + C_2 \sin x \mid C_1, C_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

Linear Dependence and Independence

A set of vectors $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ is said to be linearly independent

if
$$c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_k v_k = 0 \quad (*)$$

has only one solution: $c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_k = 0$.

If there is a ~~non~~ nontrivial solution $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ is linearly dependent.

We can write (*) as a matrix ~~form~~ equation with $A = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_k]$, with the v_i 's as column vectors, and $C = [c_1 \ c_2 \ \dots \ c_k]^T$ as

$$AC = 0.$$

* If ~~the~~ A is $n \times n$ then $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is
L I iff $\det A \neq 0$.

Example

Solve

$$2x - y = 4$$

$$x + 3y = 7$$

or show there are no solutions.

$$\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & -1 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 7 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & -7 & -10 \\ 1 & 3 & 7 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & -7 & -10 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 3 & 7 = 49/7 \\ 0 & 1 & 10/7 \end{array}$$

pivots

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 19/7 \\ 0 & 1 & 10/7 \end{array}$$

This is reduced row echelon form

$$x = \frac{19}{7}$$

$$y = \frac{10}{7}$$

Example

$$2x + 3y = 2$$

$$4x + 6y = 3$$

no solutions

Example

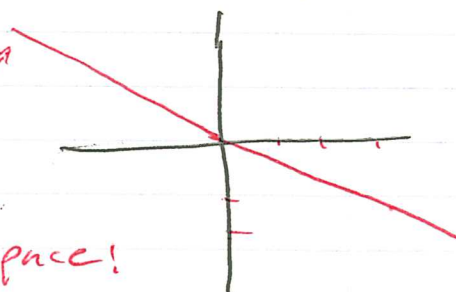
$$2x + 3y = 0$$

$$4x + 6y = 0$$

∞ -many solutions.

$$y = -\frac{2}{3}x$$

solution set is a vector space!



Example Find all solutions to $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & -6 \\ 4 & 11 & 12 \\ -3 & -6 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

Use row ops to put ~~it~~ in to reduced row echelon form RREF

$$\begin{array}{ccc|l} 1 & -4 & -6 & \\ 0 & 27 & 36 & R_2 - 4 \cdot R_1 \\ 0 & -18 & -24 & R_3 + 3R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|l} 1 & -4 & -6 & \\ 0 & 3 & 4 & R_2 \div 9 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 & R_3 \div 6 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|l} 1 & -4 & -6 & \\ 0 & 1 & 4/3 & R_2 \div 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & R_3 - R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|l} \textcircled{1} & 0 & -2/3 & R_1 + 4R_2 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 4/3 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \end{array} \quad \text{This is RREF.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= -\frac{2}{3}z \\ y &= -\frac{4}{3}z \\ z &= z \quad \leftarrow \text{free variable} \end{aligned}$$

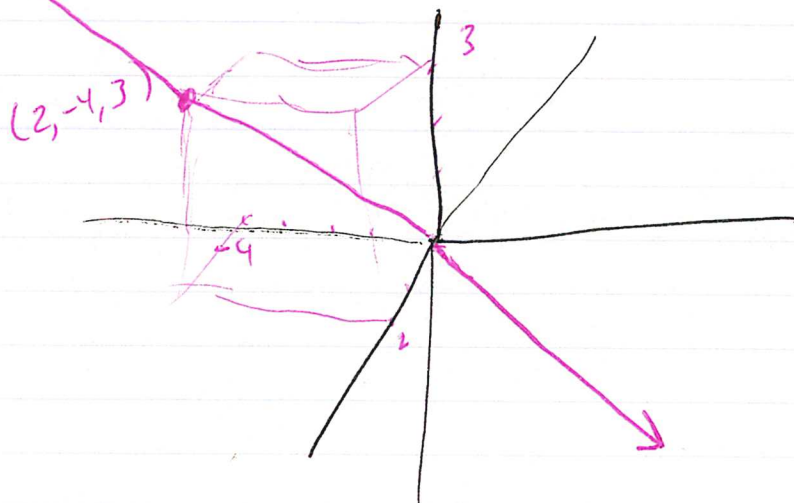
$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{4}{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} z$$

Solution set is the span of $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{4}{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ in $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$= \left\{ z \begin{bmatrix} -2/3 \\ -4/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid z \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ z \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \mid z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

It is a vector space. It also called the nullspace of the matrix.

← solution set



Example Y Find solution set for $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -4 & -6 \\ 4 & 8 & 12 \\ -3 & -6 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} -2 & -4 & -6 \\ 4 & 8 & 12 \\ -3 & -6 & -9 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|l} 1 & 2 & 3 & R1 \div -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & R2 \div 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & R3 \div -3 \end{array}$$

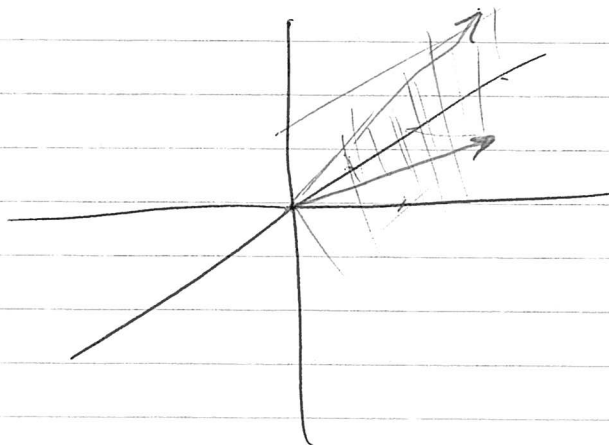
$$\begin{array}{ccc|l} 1 & 2 & 3 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & R2 - R1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & R3 - R1 \end{array}$$

$$x + 2y + 3z = 0 \quad \text{It is a plane in } \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x = -2y - 3z \\ y = y \\ z = z \end{array} \quad \leftarrow \text{free variables.}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} y + \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} z$$

Solution set is span of $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$



Solution set is this plane in $\mathbb{R}^3$. It is a vector space.

Eigenvalues, Eigenvectors and Eigenspaces

Eigen is the German word for character~~ist~~_{erist}.

Consider the problem:

$$Ax = \lambda x \quad (*)$$

where A is $n \times n$, x is ~~an~~ $1 \times n$ column vector of unknowns
given

and λ is an unknown real or complex number.

Geometrically, ^(if λ is real, $\neq 0$) A maps the vector space $\{rx \mid r \in \mathbb{R}\}$ onto itself. Finding such invariant subspaces is useful. (Google, eigenfaces).

Here is how ~~(*)~~ can be solved. Clearly $x=0$ works. But we want nontrivial solutions.

$$Ax = \lambda x$$

$$Ax - \lambda x = 0$$

$$Ax - \lambda Ix = 0$$

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0 \quad (\#)$$

You only get nontrivial solutions if $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$.

This gives a polynomial in λ . Solution for λ .

There may be several, $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$. For each

solve $(A - \lambda_i I)x = 0$.

Example $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$. Find the eigenvalues. For each eigenvalue find an eigenvector.

Solution $A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 3 & -1-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) &= (1-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) - 3 \\ &= \lambda^2 + \lambda - \lambda - 1 - 3 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 4. \end{aligned}$$

Solve $\lambda^2 - 4 = 0$. $\lambda = \pm 2$. These are the eigenvalues.

$\lambda = 2$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} -x + y = 0 \\ 3x - 3y = 0 \end{matrix} \text{ redundant.}$$

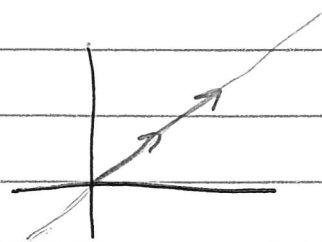
$x = y$. Pick one, say $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

check: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Let $V = \{ r \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid r \in \mathbb{R} \}$.

(called span of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$)

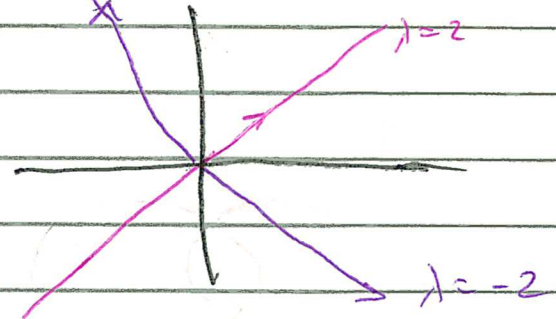
The any vector in V is an eigenvector for $\lambda = 2$. It is called the eigenspace with eigenvalue 2.



$$\boxed{\lambda = -2} \quad A - (-2I) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$3x + y = 0$. The vector $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ works.

The span of $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ is the eigenspace for $\lambda = -2$.



Example $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Find eigenvalues, etc.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(2-\lambda) - 2 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 - 2 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 3)\lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda = 3, 0.$$

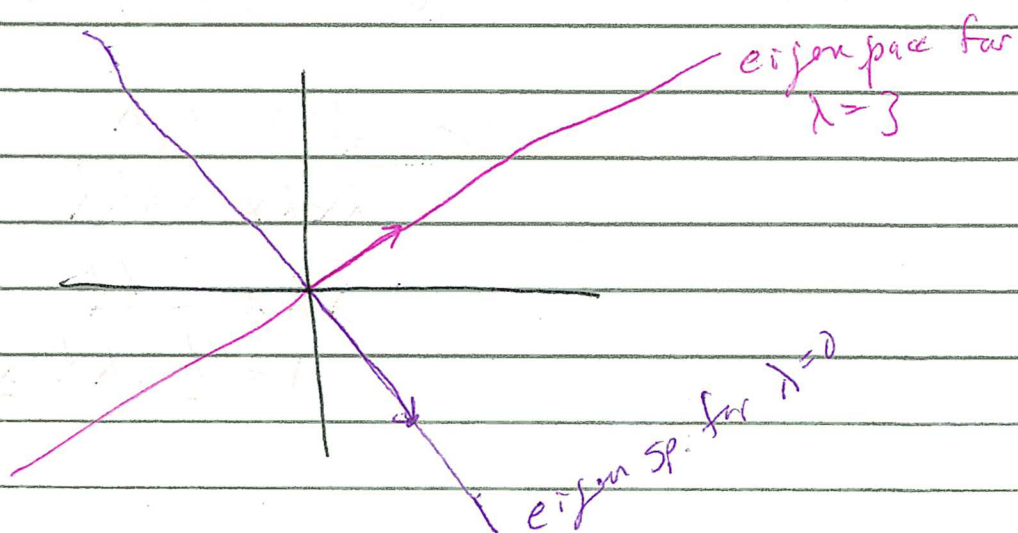
$$\lambda = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} x + 2y = 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\lambda = 3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x - y = 0 \quad x = y \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Example Find eigenvalues, vectors, spaces of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & -1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (2-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) = 0$$

$\lambda = 2$ $\lambda = -1$, are the eigenvalues.

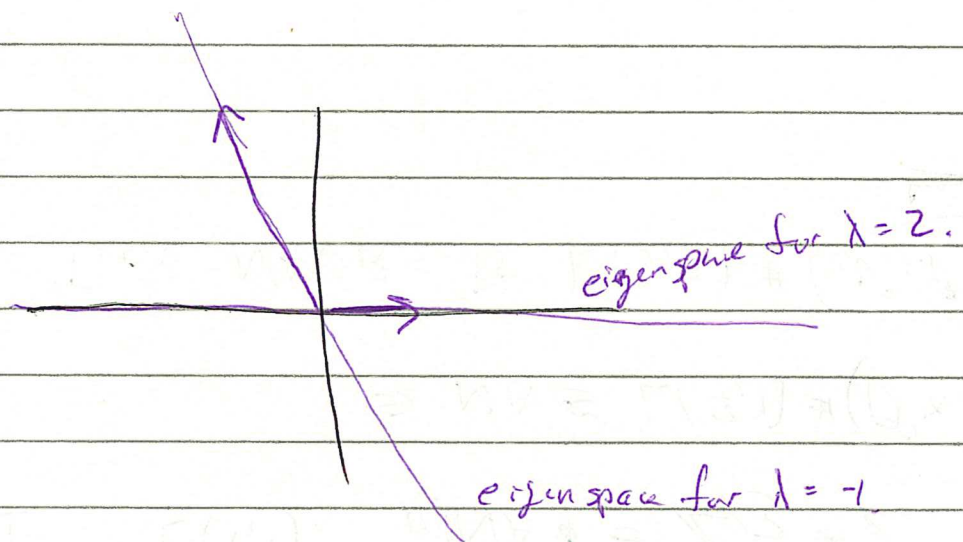
$\lambda = 2$ $A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$y = 0$ x is free
use $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ as eigenvector.

Eigenspace for $\lambda = 2$ is span of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ = x -axis.

$\lambda = -1$ $A - (-1)I = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$3x + y = 0$. use $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$.



Example $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Find eigenvalues, etc.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & -3 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(2-\lambda) + 3 = \lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 5 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 4 \cdot 5}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{11}i}{2}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2} & -3 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

These are redundant. If you mult. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ by $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ you will get $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2} & -3 \end{bmatrix}$.

Use bottom row. $x + (\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2})y = 0$.

$$\text{If } y = 1, x = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2}. \text{ So, } \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is an eigenvector.

$$\lambda = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2} & -3 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{11}i}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is an eigenvector.}$$

Geometric meaning is different. Rotation!

Example $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -4 & -6 \\ 4 & 14 & 12 \\ -3 & -6 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$. Find eigenvalues,
Find a basis for each eigenspace.

You can check that $\det(A - \lambda I) = -(\lambda - 6)^2(\lambda - 3)$.

Thus the eigenvalues are 3 and 6 with multiplicity 2.

$\boxed{\lambda=3}$ We need to solve $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & -6 \\ 4 & 11 & 12 \\ -3 & -6 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

But we did this in example X!

$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for the eigenspace.

$\boxed{\lambda=6}$ We need to solve $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -4 & -6 \\ 4 & 8 & 12 \\ -3 & -6 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

We did this in example Y.

$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for this eigenspace.

$$\lambda=3, \lambda=6, \text{mult. } 2.$$

$$\boxed{\lambda=3}$$

$$(A - 3I) \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -4 & -6 \\ 0 & 27 & 36 \\ 0 & -18 & -24 \end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -4 & -6 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ \hline 0 & 3 & 4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x - 4y - 6z &= 0 \\ 3y + 4z &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ & 3 & 4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 4/3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & -2/3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4/3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{2}{3}z \\ y &= -\frac{4}{3}z \\ z &= z \end{aligned} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ -4/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} z$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ eigenvector.}$$

$$A - \lambda I =$$

$$\lambda = 6$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -4 & -6 \\ 4 & 8 & 12 \\ -3 & -6 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$x + 2y + 3z = 0$$

$$x = -2y - 3z$$

$$y = y$$

$$z = z$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} y + \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} z$$

eigen space spanned by $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

