

Thursday, November 17 ** *Change of basis & eigenvectors*

1. Recall that \mathbb{P}_2 denotes the vector space of polynomials of degree at most 2. Consider the bases

$$\mathcal{B} = \{1, 2t, -2 + 4t^2\}, \quad \mathcal{C} = \{1, 1 - t, 2 - 4t + t^2\}$$

for \mathbb{P}_2 . Find the change-of-basis matrix ${}_{\mathcal{C}}P_{\mathcal{B}}$.

2. Let \mathcal{C} be the basis for \mathbb{R}^3 given by

$$\mathcal{C} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

(a) Find the change-of-basis matrix ${}_{\mathcal{C}}P_{\mathcal{E}}$, where \mathcal{E} is the standard basis.

(b) Use this to write the vector $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ in the basis \mathcal{C} . That is, find $[\mathbf{v}]_{\mathcal{C}}$.

3. Find all eigenvalues and a basis for each eigenspace for the following matrices.

(a) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

(b) $B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & -5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

(c) $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.