

Math 338 Linear Algebra Spring 13 Midterm 3 ^a/_b

Name: Solutions

- Do any 8 of the following 10 questions.
- You may use a calculator without symbolic algebra capabilities, but no notes.

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Midterm 3	
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(1) Let A be the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) Find the eigenvalues of A .

(b) What are the eigenvalues for A^k ? Explain your answer.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \det(A - \lambda I) &= \begin{vmatrix} -3-\lambda & -1 \\ 2 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (3+\lambda)\lambda + 2 = \lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 2 \\ &= (\lambda+2)(\lambda+1) \Rightarrow \text{eigenvalues are } -2, -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } Av = \lambda v &\Rightarrow A^k v = A^{k-1} Av = A^{k-1} \lambda v = \lambda A^{k-1} v \Rightarrow A^k v = \lambda^k v \\ \text{so } A^k &\text{ has eigenvalues } (-2)^k, (-1)^k. \end{aligned}$$

(2) Let A be the same matrix as in Q1, i.e. $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) Find the eigenvectors for A .

(b) Diagonalize A , i.e. find matrices P and D such that $P^{-1}AP = D$.

a) solve $(A+2I)x = 0$: $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

solve $(A+I)x = 0$: $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

b) $\mathbb{R}^2 \xrightarrow{A} \mathbb{R}^2$ $P = \text{matrix of eigenvectors} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$
 $\uparrow P$ $\uparrow P$
 $\mathbb{R}^2 \xrightarrow{D} \mathbb{R}^2$ $D = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

check $-\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = -\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

(3) Let A be the same matrix as in Q1, i.e. $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

- Write down a product of matrices which gives A^k .
- Write down a product of matrices which gives e^{At} .
- What can you say about e^{At} as $t \rightarrow \infty$?

$$a) A = PDP^{-1} \Rightarrow A^k = PD^kP^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (-2)^k & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b) e^{At} = Pe^{Dt}P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-2t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c) \begin{bmatrix} e^{-2t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow e^{At} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

(4) Let $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 , where

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Use the Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthonormal basis.

$$\mathbf{q}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{v}_2 - (\mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2) \mathbf{q}_1}{\|\mathbf{v}_2 - (\mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2) \mathbf{q}_1\|} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}{\|\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\|} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_3' = \mathbf{v}_3 - (\mathbf{v}_3 \cdot \mathbf{q}_1) \mathbf{q}_1 - (\mathbf{v}_3 \cdot \mathbf{q}_2) \mathbf{q}_2$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot 0 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (5) (a) Suppose A is an $n \times n$ matrix and $A^2 = A$. What can you say about $\det(A)$?
- (b) Suppose A is an $n \times n$ matrix and $\det(A) = 0$. What can you say about the eigenvalues of A ?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \det(A^2) &= \det(A)^2 = \det(A) \Rightarrow \det(A)^2 - \det(A) = 0 \\ &\det(A)(\det(A) - 1) = 0 \\ &\det(A) = 0, 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b) } \det(A) = \text{product of eigenvalues} \Rightarrow \text{at least one eigenvalue is zero.}$$

(6) Let B be the basis for \mathbb{R}^2 given by

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

(a) Find a matrix which converts vectors written in the standard basis to vectors written with respect to the basis B .

(b) Use your answer to (a) to write $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ (in the standard basis) as a linear combination of vectors in B .

a) $\mathbb{R}^2_{\text{standard}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2_B$

\xleftarrow{P}
 $\xrightarrow{P^{-1}}$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{this matrix converts vectors in standard basis to } B.$$

b) $-\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} +5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$

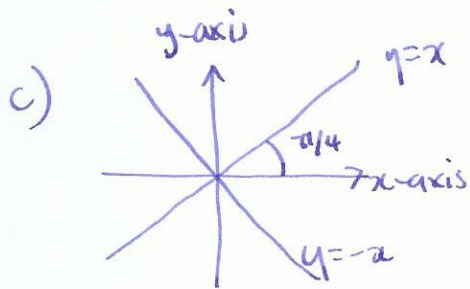
check: $5 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

- (7) (a) Write down a matrix A corresponding to an anticlockwise rotation of $\pi/4$ about the origin in \mathbb{R}^2 .
 (b) Write down a matrix B which expands \mathbb{R}^2 by a factor of 2 in the x -direction, and a factor of 3 in the y -direction.
 (c) Use your answers above to find a matrix which expands \mathbb{R}^2 by a factor of 2 in the line $y = x$, and a factor of 3 in the line $y = -x$.

a) rotation by θ : $\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$ $\theta = \pi/4$ $\begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} = R$.

b) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = E$

$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.



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$R E R^{-1}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$

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

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 5/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(8) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors for A .

(b) Can you diagonalize A ? Explain.

$$a) \det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = (\lambda - 1)^2 \quad \lambda = 1, 1$$

$$\text{solve } (A - I)x = 0 : \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{one eigenvector } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) no. only $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ are eigenvector

$$0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

(9) Let $J = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, where x and y may be either 0 or 1.

- (a) What are the eigenvalues of A ?
 (b) What are the largest and smallest number of eigenvectors that A may have?
 (c) Suppose $A = PJP^{-1}$, for some invertible matrix P . Show that $A^3 = 0$.

a) $0, 0, 0$

b) $1 \leq \# \text{ eigenvectors} \leq 3$

c) $J^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & xy \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$J^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & xy \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$

so $A^3 = PJ^3P^{-1} = P0P^{-1} = 0$

- (10) Let A be a matrix with eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 1$, $\lambda_2 = -1$, $\lambda_3 = 2$ and $\lambda_4 = -2$, and the following orthonormal eigenvectors

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_4 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Write the vector $b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ with respect to the basis of eigenvectors. (Hint: use the fact that the v_i are orthogonal.)
- (b) Use your answer above to find Ab with respect to the basis of eigenvectors.

$$a) \quad b = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + c_3 v_3 + c_4 v_4$$

$$b \cdot v_1 = c_1 \underbrace{v_1 \cdot v_1}_1 + 0 + 0 + 0. \quad c_1 = b \cdot v_1 \quad \text{etc.}$$

$$\text{so } b = \begin{bmatrix} b \cdot v_1 \\ b \cdot v_2 \\ b \cdot v_3 \\ b \cdot v_4 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b) \quad Ab = A(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_4 v_4) = \lambda_1 c_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_4 c_4 v_4.$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$