

1. Let A be the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -2 & -6 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & -3 & 6 & 21 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Find a basis for the $\lambda = 3$ eigenspace of A .

(12 pts.)

$$A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -2 & -6 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 6 \\ 3 & -3 & 6 & 18 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X = r \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\lambda = 3$ eigenspace $V_3 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(b) Suppose v_1, v_2, v_3 are any $\lambda = 3$ eigenvectors of A that are all distinct, so $Av_i = 3v_i$, for $i = 1, 2, 3$, and $v_i \neq v_j$ if $i \neq j$. Suppose also that none of the v_i 's are scalar multiples of each other. Is the set $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ a basis for the $\lambda = 3$ eigenspace of A ? Justify your answer for full credit. (6 pts.)

No. In particular $\dim V_3 = 2$ so any basis of the $\lambda = 3$ eigenspace must have 2 elements.

In particular, $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $v_3 = v_1 + v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

all satisfy $Av_i = 3v_i$, none are scalars of each other, but $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is a linearly dependent set, so not a basis.

2. Find all real or complex eigenvalues of each matrix and an associated eigenvector for each eigenvalue. (10 pts. each)

(a) $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 2 \\ -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ $p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 8-\lambda & 2 \\ -4 & 2-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (8-\lambda)(2-\lambda) + 8$

$$p(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 16 + 8 = \lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 24 = (\lambda-6)(\lambda-4) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda = 4, 6$$

$\lambda = 4$
 $A - 4I = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $x = r \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ for $\lambda = 4$

$\lambda = 6$
 $A - 6I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -4 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $x = r \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ for $\lambda = 6$ $\frac{29}{+4} = 116$

(b) $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ $p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 6-\lambda & -1 \\ 5 & 4-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (6-\lambda)(4-\lambda) + 5$

$$p(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 24 + 5 = \lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 29 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 4(29)}}{2} = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 116}}{2} = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{16}i}{2}$$

$\lambda = 5 - 2i$

$\lambda = 5 + 2i$

$$A - (5-2i)I = \begin{bmatrix} 6-(5-2i) & -1 \\ 5 & 4-(5-2i) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-2i & -1 \\ 5 & -1+2i \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{5} + \frac{2}{5}i \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x = r \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{5} - \frac{2}{5}i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ for $\lambda = 5 - 2i$

$\lambda = 5 + 2i$

$x = r \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{5} + \frac{2}{5}i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ for $\lambda = 5 + 2i$

3. Find all eigenvalues of the matrix

(10 pts.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{matrix} & & & \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \\
 p(\lambda) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} 4-\lambda & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 3-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 4-\lambda & 4 \\ 3 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= (1-\lambda) [(4-\lambda)(3-\lambda) - 12] \\
 &= (1-\lambda) [\lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 12 - 12] \\
 &= (1-\lambda) \lambda (\lambda - 7)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\lambda = 1, 0, 7$

4. Suppose A is the non-invertible matrix below which has eigenvalue $\lambda = 5$. Is A diagonalizable? Justify your answer for full credit. (10 pts.)

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

Yes.

$\lambda = 0$ is an eigenvalue and

$\dim \text{nul}(A) = 4$ since $A \sim$

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

all free
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also $\lambda = 5$ is an eigenvalue, with eigenvector

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{by the way}).$$

So there is a basis of \mathbb{R}^5 consisting entirely of eigenvectors, so A is diagonalizable. ✓

5. Suppose A is a 2×2 matrix with $\lambda = 0$ and $\lambda = 1$ as eigenvalues. Choose one: (1) show that $A^2x = Ax$ for any x in \mathbb{R}^2 , or (2) show that $A^2 = A$. (8 pts.)

(1) $x = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2$ for some $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$
and $Av_1 = v_1, Av_2 = 0$

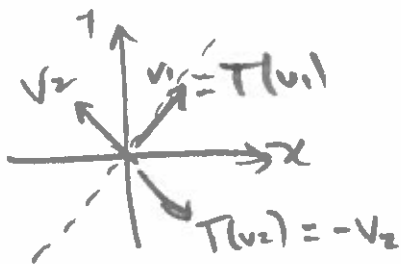
$$Ax = c_1 v_1 + 0$$

So $A^2x = A(c_1 v_1) = c_1 v_1 = Ax$. ✓

(2) $A = P \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}$ for some invertible P .

$$A^2 = (P \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}) (P \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}) = P \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^2 P^{-1} = P \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} P^{-1} = A$$
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6. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the linear transformation which reflects vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 about the line $y = x$. Find eigenvectors and state the associated eigenvalues for the standard matrix A of this linear transformation. *Hint: think geometrically.* (8 pts.)



$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so } \lambda = 1$$

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = -\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so } \lambda = -1.$$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ for } \lambda = 1$$

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ for } \lambda = -1$$

7. Find a basis for the $\lambda = a+b$ and the $\lambda = a-b$ eigenspaces of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$, assuming neither a nor b is zero. (8 pts.)

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ for } \lambda = a+b$$

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ for } \lambda = a-b$$

by inspection

8. Let A be the matrix below. Find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that $A = PDP^{-1}$. Assume none of a, b, c, d, e are zero. Hint: think geometrically and consider the previous problem. (8 pts.)

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & c & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c & b & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b-c & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & b+c & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & d+e & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & d-e \end{bmatrix} P^{-1}$$

\uparrow
 P

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 D

by inspection
& prev.
problem

9. Let A be a 2×2 matrix which satisfies $Av_1 = 2v_1$ and $Av_2 = -v_2$, where $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. If x is the vector $x = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$, compute A^3x . (10 pts.)

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad c_1 = -1, c_2 = -3$$

$$= -1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + (-3) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

\uparrow v_1 \uparrow v_2

$$A^3x = \lambda_1^3 c_1 v_1 + \lambda_2^3 c_2 v_2$$

$$= 8 \cdot (-1) \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + (-1)^3 (-3) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= -8 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 19 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} -1 & 2 & -5 \\ 2 & 1 & -5 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 5 & -15 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \end{array} \right]$$