

1. (14 points) Diagonalize the 2×2 matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -8 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In other words, write A as PDP^{-1} where D is a diagonal matrix.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{char. poly } \det \begin{bmatrix} 5-\lambda & -8 \\ 1 & -1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} &= (\lambda+1)(\lambda-5) + 8 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3 \\ &= (\lambda-3)(\lambda-1) \end{aligned}$$

Eigenvalues: $\lambda_1 = 3$ and $\lambda_2 = 1$

$$\lambda = 3 \text{ espace} = \text{nul} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -8 \\ 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\lambda = 1 \text{ espace} = \text{nul} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -8 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{One } P = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det P = 4 - 2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow P^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. (14 points) In order to receive any credit, you must provide a brief justification for each answer.

(a) Suppose that a 6×9 matrix A has four pivot columns. What are the dimensions of $\text{Nul } A$, $\text{Col } A$, and $\text{Row } A$?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{four pivot cols} &\Rightarrow \text{rank } A = 4 \\ &\Rightarrow \text{dim col } A = \text{dim row } A = 4 \\ \text{rank} + \text{dim nul } A &= 9 \Rightarrow \text{dim nul } A = 5 \end{aligned}$$

(b) What is the smallest possible dimension of the null space of a 6×9 matrix?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rank} + \text{dim nul } A &= 9 \\ \text{largest rank} &= 6 \Rightarrow \text{smallest} \\ \text{dim nul } A &= 3. \end{aligned}$$

(c) Suppose that a 9×6 matrix A has four pivot columns. What are the dimensions of $\text{Nul } A$, $\text{Col } A$, and $\text{Row } A$?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{four pivot cols} &\Rightarrow \text{rank} = 4 \\ &\Rightarrow \text{dim col } A = \text{dim row } A \\ &= 4 \\ \text{rank} + \text{dim nul } A &= 6 \Rightarrow \text{dim nul } A = 2 \end{aligned}$$

(d) What is the smallest possible dimension of the null space of a 9×6 matrix?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rank} + \text{dim nul } A &= 6 \\ \text{largest rank} &= 6 \Rightarrow \\ \text{smallest dim nul } A &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

3. (16 points) Suppose

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Find the point closest to \mathbf{y} in the subspace W spanned by \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 .

$$\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 = 2 + 2 + 9 + 2 = 15$$

Need orthogonal basis so we calculate

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{v}_2 - \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \right) \mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1 = 15$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{v}_2 - \left(\frac{15}{15} \right) \mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{v}_2 - \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

point closest = $\text{proj}_W \mathbf{y}$

$$= \left(\frac{\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \right) \mathbf{v}_1 + \left(\frac{\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{v}_3}{\mathbf{v}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3} \right) \mathbf{v}_3 = \left(\frac{10}{15} \right) \mathbf{v}_1 + \left(\frac{7}{3} \right) \mathbf{v}_3$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{v}_1 + \frac{7}{3} \mathbf{v}_3$$

(b) Calculate the distance of \mathbf{y} to W .

$$\text{distance} = \|\mathbf{y} - \text{proj}_W \mathbf{y}\|$$

$$= \left\| \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\| = 4 \left\| \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\|$$

$$= 4\sqrt{3}$$

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$$= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ -2 \\ \frac{4}{3} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{7}{3} \\ \frac{7}{3} \\ 0 \\ \frac{7}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

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

4. (16 points) Calculate an orthogonal basis for the row space of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 & -5 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Start with a basis of Row A - row reduce

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & -6 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

First two rows form a basis of row A.

Now produce an orthogonal basis

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_1 \cdot v_2 = -9$$

$$\text{Calculate } v_3 = v_2 - \left(\frac{v_2 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \right) v_1$$

$$= v_2 - \frac{-9}{7} v_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{9}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9/7 \\ 5/7 \\ -3/7 \\ 2/7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Could also use

$$v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 5 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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orthogonal basis = $\{v_1, v_3\}$

5. (10 points) What can be said about a matrix A that is similar to the diagonal matrix

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} ?$$

Provide a brief explanation of each of your assertions.

similar matrices have the same char poly
 so the char poly of $A = (3-\lambda)^3(6-\lambda)^2(7-\lambda)$.

The eigenvalues of A are $\lambda = 3$ (alg mult = 3),
 $\lambda = 6$ (alg mult = 2), and $\lambda = 7$ (alg mult = 1).

The dim of spaces remain the same
 for similar matrices.

$\lambda = 3$ space of $D = \text{Span}\{e_1, e_3, e_4\}$

$\lambda = 6$ space of $D = \text{Span}\{e_2, e_5\}$

$\lambda = 7$ space of $D = \text{Span}\{e_6\}$.

\Rightarrow dim of $\lambda = 3$ space of A is 3

dim of $\lambda = 6$ space of A is 2

dim of $\lambda = 7$ space of A is 1

Also, $\det A = \det D = (3^3)(6^2)(7) = 6804$.

Hence, A is invertible as well as diagonalizable.

6. (30 points) Are the following statements true or false? **You will not receive any credit unless you justify your answers.** (Note that there are four more parts to this question on the next two pages.)
- (a) If there exists a linearly-dependent set $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\}$ in a vector space V , then $\dim V \leq p - 1$.

False. For example, \mathbb{R}^3 contains the linearly dependent set $\{e_1, 2e_1\}$ with two vectors. However, $\dim \mathbb{R}^3 = 3$.

- (b) Each eigenspace of a square matrix A is the null space of some matrix.

True. The λ eigenspace is the set of all vectors x such that $Ax = \lambda x$. If $Ax = \lambda x$, then $(A - \lambda I)x = 0 \Rightarrow$ the λ -space is $\text{null } B$ where B is the matrix $(A - \lambda I)$.

Question 6 (continued):

(c) Let $W = \text{Span}\{w_1, w_2\}$. If v is orthogonal to both w_1 and w_2 , then v is in W^\perp .

True. Any vector w in W is a linear combination of w_1 and w_2 . Compute

$$\begin{aligned} v \cdot w &= v \cdot (c_1 w_1 + c_2 w_2) \\ &= c_1 (v \cdot w_1) + c_2 (v \cdot w_2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $v \cdot w = 0$ for all w in W .

$\Rightarrow v$ is in W^\perp .

(d) For a square matrix A , an eigenvector v of A is also an eigenvector of A^2 .

True. Suppose that $Av = \lambda v$
for some scalar λ and nonzero v .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } A^2(v) &= A(Av) = A(\lambda v) \\ &= \lambda(Av) \\ &= \lambda(\lambda v) \\ &= \lambda^2 v. \end{aligned}$$

So v is an eigenvector of A^2
corresponding to the eigenvalue λ^2
of A^2 .

Question 6 (continued):

- (e) For a square matrix \mathbf{A} , the vectors in $\text{Col } \mathbf{A}$ and the vectors in $\text{Nul } \mathbf{A}$ are orthogonal.

False. $\text{Nul } \mathbf{A} = (\text{Row } \mathbf{A})^\perp$.

Let $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Then $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

is a vector in $\text{Nul } \mathbf{A}$. However,

$\text{Col } \mathbf{A} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ but

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = -1.$$

Hence, $\text{Nul } \mathbf{A}$ and $\text{Col } \mathbf{A}$ are not orthogonal.

- (f) For a square matrix \mathbf{A} , if \mathbf{A}^2 is diagonalizable, then \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable.

False. Let $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Note

that \mathbf{A} corresponds to rotation by 90° . Hence, \mathbf{A} does not have any eigen vectors. However, \mathbf{A}^2

is $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$, and this matrix is

diagonal.