

**Solutions to Homework 7**

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- (a) True. Let  $v$  be one of the eigenvectors corresponding to eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , then  $Av = \lambda v$ . Now  $(A - \mu I)v = (\lambda - \mu)v$ , so  $\lambda - \mu$  is an eigenvalue of  $A - \mu I$ .
- (b) False. For example,  $A = I$ .
- (c) True. Let the characteristic polynomial of matrix  $A$  be given by  $p_A(x) = \sum_i c_i x^i$ . Since  $A$  is a real matrix, so the coefficients  $c_i$ 's are also all real.  $\lambda$  is a root of  $p_A(x) = 0$ , i.e.  $\sum_i c_i \lambda^i = 0 \Rightarrow \overline{\sum_i c_i \lambda^i} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_i c_i \bar{\lambda}^i = 0$ , so  $\bar{\lambda}$  is also a root of  $p_A(x) = 0$ .
- (d) True.  $Av = \lambda v \Rightarrow v = \lambda A^{-1}v$ , i.e.  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$ .
- (e) False. For example,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- (f) True. By Theorem 24.7,  $A = Q\Lambda Q^*$  with real eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$ . Since SVD is unique upto the sign and singular values are always positive,  $\sigma_i = |\lambda_i|$ .
- (g) True.  $A = X\Lambda X^{-1}$ . Now  $\Lambda = \lambda I$ , so,  $A = \lambda X X^{-1} = \lambda I$ .
2. Let  $A = LL^T$  be the Cholesky decomposition of positive definite matrix  $A$ . Using backward-error analysis of LU-decomposition:  $|\Delta A| \leq 3n\epsilon \|L\| \|L^T\|$ . Now,  $(\|L\| \|L^T\|)_{ij} = \sum_k |l_{ik}| |l_{jk}|$ . By the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality:  $(\|L\| \|L^T\|)_{ij} \leq \sqrt{\sum_k l_{ik}^2 \sum_k l_{jk}^2} = \sqrt{A_{ii} A_{jj}} \leq \max_{ij} |A_{ij}|$ . Hence,  $\| \|L\| \|L^T\| \|_\infty = \max_i \sum_j (\|L\| \|L^T\|)_{ij} \leq n \max_{ij} |A_{ij}| \leq n \|A\|_\infty$ . Thus, combining with the backward error analysis of forward and backward substitution,  $\|\Delta A\|_\infty \leq 3n^2 \epsilon \|A\|_\infty$ .