

Question 1 The linear operator $\mathcal{A} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is given by the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

in the standard basis. Find the matrix B of \mathcal{A} in the basis $\{(1,0,1), (-1,1,0), (0,1,1)\}$.

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$$\begin{aligned} (T \mid A) &= \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right) \\ &= \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \\ &= \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right) \\ &= \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$T^{-1}A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore $B = T^{-1}A \cdot T$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & -5 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Question 2 Prove that the characteristic polynomial of a linear operator does not depend on the choice of a basis.

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Let $A : V \rightarrow V$ be a linear operator

Then let $e = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ & $f = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$ be a bases for V

Let $[A]_e$ & $[A]_f$ be matrices of perpendicular linear operator A in the respective basis.

Then there exist an invertible matrix C such that $[A]_f = C^{-1}[A]_e C$

Let $P_A(\lambda)$ represent perpendicular characteristic polynomial.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then : } P_{[A]_f}(\lambda) &= \det([A]_f - \lambda I) \\ &= \det(C^{-1}[A]_e C - \lambda I) \\ &= \det(C^{-1}[A]_e C - \lambda C^{-1}C) \\ &= \det((C^{-1} \cdot C)([A]_e - \lambda I)) \\ &= \det(C^{-1}) * \det([A]_e - \lambda I) * \det(C) \\ &= \det(C^{-1}) * \det(C) * P_{[A]_e}(\lambda) \\ &= P_{[A]_e}(\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $P_{[A]_f}(\lambda) = P_{[A]_e}(\lambda)$

Question 3 Determine whether the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

is diagonalizable, and if yes, find a diagonal matrix D and a matrix T such that $D = T^{-1}AT$.

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$$\det \left(\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \right) = 0$$

$$\det \left(\begin{pmatrix} -1-\lambda & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1-\lambda & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -\lambda \end{pmatrix} \right) = 0$$

Therefore

$$[(-1-\lambda)(1-\lambda)(-\lambda) + 0*(-1)*2 + 1*2*0 - 1*(1-\lambda)*2 - (-1-\lambda)*(-1)*0 - 0*2*(-\lambda)] = 0$$

$$-\lambda^3 + \lambda - 2 + 2\lambda = 0$$

$$-\lambda^3 + 3\lambda - 2 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 1)^2(\lambda + 2) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 1 \text{ or } \lambda = -2$$

For $\lambda = 1$

$$\left(\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then do RREF

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

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

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

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

Therefore

$$x = \frac{1}{2} z$$

$$y = y$$

$$z = z$$

$$\vec{v} = y \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

For $\lambda = -2$

$$\left(\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then do RREF

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

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

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore

$$x = z$$

$$y = -z$$

$$z = z$$

$$\vec{v} = z \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore since there is 3 eigen vectors it diagonalizable

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \& \quad T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Question 4 From the Cauchy-Bunyakowski inequality deduce that for any vectors x, y of an inner product space, $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$.

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$$\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} & (x + y, x + y) \\ &= (x + y)(x + y) \\ &= x^2 + 2xy + y^2 \\ &= (x, x) + 2(x, y) + (y, y) \end{aligned}$$

And we know

$$|(x + y)| \leq \|x\| * \|y\| \quad (\text{from Cauchy- Bunyakowski})$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x + y\|^2 &\leq \|x\|^2 + 2 * \|x\| * \|y\| + \|y\|^2 \\ &\leq (\|x\| + \|y\|)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore } \|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$$

Question 5 Using the Gram-Schmidt process, transform the basis $\{(0, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1), (1, 1, 0)\}$ of \mathbb{R}^3 into an orthonormal basis.

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Let $a_1 = (0, 1, 1)$, $a_2 = (1, 0, 1)$ & $a_3 = (1, 1, 0)$

$$b_1 = a_1 = (0, 1, 1)$$

$$\|b_1\| = \sqrt{0^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_2 &= a_2 - \frac{(a_2, b_1)}{(b_1, b_1)} b_1 \\ &= (1, 0, 1) - \frac{1*0+0*1+1*1}{0*0+1*1+1*1} (0, 1, 1) \\ &= (1, 0, 1) - \frac{1}{2} (0, 1, 1) \\ &= (1, 0, 1) - \left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= \left(1, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\|b_2\| = \sqrt{1^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_3 &= a_3 - \frac{(a_3, b_1)}{(b_1, b_1)} b_1 - \frac{(a_3, b_2)}{(b_2, b_2)} b_2 \\ &= (1, 1, 0) - \frac{1*0+1*1+0*1}{0*0+1*1+1*1} (0, 1, 1) - \frac{1*1+1*\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)+0*\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{1*1+\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)*\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)+\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)*\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} \left(1, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= (1, 1, 0) - \frac{1}{2} (0, 1, 1) - \frac{1}{3} \left(1, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= (1, 1, 0) - \left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\|b_3\| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

Therefore

$$C_1 = \frac{1}{\|b_1\|} b_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0,1,1) = \left(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$C_2 = \frac{1}{\|b_2\|} b_2 = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \left(1, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}, -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}\right)$$

$$C_3 = \frac{1}{\|b_3\|} b_3 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right)$$

Therefore

$$\left\{\left(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right), \left(\frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}, -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}\right), \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right)\right\}$$

Question 6 Find a system of linear equations whose solution space is the subspace $\langle a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{R}^5$, where

$$a_1 = (2, 1, -1, 0, 1), a_2 = (-1, 1, -2, -1, 0), a_3 = (2, 0, 1, 0, -1) \\ a_4 = (3, 2, -2, -1, 0)$$

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$$(a_1, x) \Leftrightarrow 0 = (2, 1, -1, 0, 1) * (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$$

$$0 = 2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 + x_5$$

$$(a_2, x) \Leftrightarrow 0 = (-1, 1, -2, -1, 0) * (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$$

$$0 = -x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 - x_4$$

$$(a_3, x) \Leftrightarrow 0 = (2, 0, 1, 0, -1) * (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$$

$$0 = 2x_1 + x_3 - x_5$$

$$(a_4, x) \Leftrightarrow 0 = (3, 2, -2, -1, 0) * (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$$

$$0 = 3x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 - x_4$$

Therefore

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

Calc too long

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -4 & -8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore

$$x_1 = -x_4 - 2x_5$$

$$x_2 = 4x_4 + 8x_5$$

$$x_3 = 2x_4 + 5x_5$$

$$x_4 = x_4$$

$$x_5 = x_5$$

$$\vec{v} = x_4 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_5 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 8 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore basis is

$$b_1 = (-1, 4, 2, 1, 0) \text{ \& } b_2 = (-2, 8, 5, 0, 1)$$

Therefore required linear system of eqn is

$$-x_1 + 4x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 = 0$$

$$-2x_1 + 8x_2 + 5x_3 + x_5 = 0$$

