

Homework 7 in 18.06 Due on Gradescope Sunday April 30 at 11:59 p.m.

1. (a) Find a symmetric matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & b \\ b & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ that has a negative eigenvalue.
(b) How do you know it must have a negative pivot?
(c) How do you know it can't have two negative eigenvalues?

This is Problem 6.3.4 on page 257 of ILA6.

2. Every 2 by 2 symmetric matrix is $\lambda_1 \mathbf{x}_1 \mathbf{x}_1^T + \lambda_2 \mathbf{x}_2 \mathbf{x}_2^T = \lambda_1 P_1 + \lambda_2 P_2$.
Explain $P_1 + P_2 = \mathbf{x}_1 \mathbf{x}_1^T + \mathbf{x}_2 \mathbf{x}_2^T = I$ from columns times rows of Q . Why is $P_1 P_2 = 0$?
This is Problem 6.3.8 on page 257 of ILA6.

3. Show that this A (**symmetric but complex**) has only one line of eigenvectors:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} i & 1 \\ 1 & -i \end{bmatrix} \text{ is not even diagonalizable: eigenvalues } \lambda = 0, 0.$$

$A^T = A$ is not such a special property for complex matrices. The good property is $\overline{A}^T = A$. Then all λ 's are real and the eigenvectors are orthogonal.

This is Problem 6.3.11 on page 258 of ILA6.

4. Write a 2 by 2 *complex* matrix with $\overline{S}^T = S$ (a "Hermitian matrix"). Find λ_1 and λ_2 for your complex matrix. Check that $\overline{\mathbf{x}}_1^T \mathbf{x}_2 = 0$ (this is complex orthogonality).

This is Problem 6.3.13 on page 258 of ILA6.

5. **True** (with reason) **or false** (with example).

- (a) A matrix with n real eigenvalues and n real eigenvectors is symmetric.
- (b) A matrix with n real eigenvalues and n orthonormal eigenvectors is symmetric.
- (c) The inverse of an invertible symmetric matrix is symmetric.
- (d) The eigenvector matrix Q of a symmetric matrix is symmetric.
- (e) The main diagonal of a positive definite matrix is all positive.

This is Problem 6.3.14 on page 258 of ILA6.

6. Which 3 by 3 symmetric matrices S and T produce these quadratics?

$$\mathbf{x}^T S \mathbf{x} = 2(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 - x_1 x_2 - x_2 x_3). \quad \text{Why is } S \text{ positive definite?}$$

$$\mathbf{x}^T T \mathbf{x} = 2(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 - x_1 x_2 - x_1 x_3 - x_2 x_3). \quad \text{Why is } T \text{ semidefinite?}$$

This is Problem 6.3.30 on page 260 of ILA6.

7. **Important!** Suppose S is positive definite with eigenvalues $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$.

- (a) What are the eigenvalues of the matrix $\lambda_1 I - S$? Is it positive semidefinite?
- (b) How does it follow that $\lambda_1 \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{x}^T S \mathbf{x}$ for every \mathbf{x} ?
- (c) Draw this conclusion: **The maximum value of $\mathbf{x}^T S \mathbf{x} / \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}$ is _____.**

This is Problem 6.3.48 on page 261 of ILA6.

8. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the Hermitian matrix $S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i \\ 1-i & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

This is Problem 6.4.2 on page 269 of ILA6.

9. If $\overline{Q}^T Q = I$ (unitary matrix = complex orthogonal) and $Q\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$, show that $|\lambda| = 1$.

This is Problem 6.4.3 on page 269 of ILA6.

10. Find two λ 's and \mathbf{x} 's so that $\mathbf{u} = e^{\lambda t}\mathbf{x}$ solves $\frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}$.

What combination $\mathbf{u} = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{x}_1 + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \mathbf{x}_2$ starts from $\mathbf{u}(0) = (5, -2)$?

This is Problem 6.5.1 on page 280 of ILA6.

11. (a) If every column of A adds to zero, why is $\lambda = 0$ an eigenvalue?
(b) With negative diagonal and positive off-diagonal adding to zero, $\mathbf{u}' = A\mathbf{u}$ will be a “continuous” Markov equation. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors, and the *steady state* as $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\text{Solve } \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} \text{ with } \mathbf{u}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ What is } \mathbf{u}(\infty)?$$

This is Problem 6.5.3 on page 280 of ILA6.