

Problem I

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

1) We do elimination

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_2 - 3R_1 \\ R_3 - 2R_1 \end{array}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{3R_3 + R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

• we have 2 pivots, so rank(A) = 2

• The pivot columns of A form a basis for  $C(A)$

so  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 9 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$  form a basis for  $C(A)$ .

2) we have 2 free variables :  $x_2$  and  $x_3$

so  $\dim N(A) = 2$

To find a basis for  $N(A)$ , we need to find the special solutions to  $Ax = 0$ , which equivalent to  $Ux = 0$

• Set  $\begin{cases} x_2 = 1 \\ x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$  and solve for  $x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

• Set  $\begin{cases} x_2 = 0 \\ x_3 = 1 \end{cases}$  and solve for  $x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  form a basis for  $N(A)$ .

The set of all solutions to  $Ax = 0$  is given by

$$\boxed{\alpha \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ with } \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}.}$$

NOTE we want all solutions  $\Delta$

3) The system  $Ax = b$  has a solution if  $b \in C(A)$ .

We can perform the same row operations with  $b$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 & 9 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 9 & b_3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{r_2 - 3r_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & b_3 - 6 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{3r_3 + r_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3b_3 - 18 \end{array} \right]$$

so for  $b \in C(A)$ , we need  $3b_3 - 18 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{b_3 = 6}$

The complete set of solutions is given by  $x = x_p + x_n$   
 where  $x_p$  is a particular solution, and  $x_n \in N(A)$ .

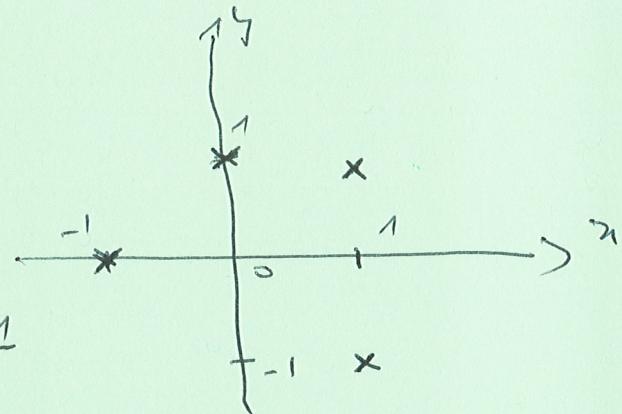
with  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 9 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$ , we see that  $x_p = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (Sum of first two columns of  $A$ )

so the set of solutions is

$$\boxed{x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}}$$

Problem 2

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c} x & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline y & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array}$$



We want the circle of equation  $a(x^2 + y^2) + b(x + y) = 1$

1) The 4 points are on the circle if their coordinates satisfy:

$$a(0^2 + 1^2) + b(0 + 1) = 1$$

$$a(-1^2 + 0^2) + b(-1 + 0) = 1$$

$$a(1^2 + (-1)^2) + b(1 + (-1)) = 1$$

$$a(1^2 + 1^2) + b(1 + 1) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b = 1$$

$$a - b = 1$$

$$2a + 0 = 1$$

$$2a + 2b = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, the vector  $\mathbf{z} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$  must satisfies  $A\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{b}$

with

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2) The system  $Az = b$  can be solved only if  $b \in C(A)$ .

To see that, we can perform elimination with A and B

$$\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{---}} \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{array}$$

↓

This tells us that it is not possible to find a linear combination of the columns of A that gives the vector b.

NOTE : If such linear combination exist, let write  
 $\alpha \text{ Col}_1 + \beta \text{ Col}_2 = b$ , then we should have  
 $\alpha \cdot 1 + \alpha \cdot 0 = -1$ , which is of course impossible  
so  $b \notin C(A)$  and the system cannot be solved.

NOTE : • Saying  $b \notin C(A)$  because  $\text{rank}(A) = 2$  is not correct. without proof  
• Just saying  $b \notin C(A)$  is not enough ↗

3) To find the Ls, we form the normal equation

$$A^T A z = A^T b$$

with  $A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 4 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the matrix  $A^T A$  is invertible ( $\det \neq 0$ )

we can find the LUS by  $\boxed{Z = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T L}$

First we find  $(A^T A)^{-1} = \frac{1}{44} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -4 \\ -4 & 10 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{22} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

so  $Z = \frac{1}{22} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $= \boxed{Z = \begin{bmatrix} 4/11 \\ -1/11 \end{bmatrix}}$

The equation of the circle is

$$\boxed{\frac{7}{11}(x^2 + y^2) - \frac{1}{11}(x + y) = 1}.$$

4)  $M = A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 4 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

To find the eigenvalues of  $M$ , we solve the equation let  $(M - \lambda I) = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 10-\lambda & 4 \\ 4 & 6-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (10-\lambda)(6-\lambda) - 16 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda^2 - 16\lambda + 60 - 16 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda^2 - 16\lambda + 44 = 0$$

so  $\lambda = \frac{16 \pm \sqrt{16^2 - 4 \times 44}}{2} = \frac{16 \pm 4\sqrt{5}}{2}$

so the eigenvalues of  $M$  are

$$\boxed{\begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 8 + 2\sqrt{5} \\ \lambda_2 = 8 - 2\sqrt{5} \end{cases}}$$

NOTE

We can check  $\begin{cases} \text{trace}(M) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 16 \\ \det(M) = \lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_2 = 44 \end{cases} \quad \text{OK}$

Problem III

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 10 & -2 \\ 10 & 5 & 8 \\ -2 & 8 & 11 \end{bmatrix} \text{ has 3 eigenvalues } \begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 18 \\ \lambda_2 = 9 \\ \lambda_3 = -9 \end{cases}$$

1) We know the eigenvalues and want the eigenvectors  
We know eigenvectors are vectors in  $N(A - \lambda_1 I)$ .

For  $\lambda_1 = 18$

$$A - \lambda_1 I = \begin{bmatrix} -16 & 10 & -2 \\ 10 & -13 & 8 \\ -2 & 8 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

We perform elimination to find a vector in the nullspace.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -16 & 10 & -2 \\ 10 & -13 & 8 \\ -2 & 8 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\quad}_{U}$$

We solve  $Ux = 0$ , setting the free variable  $x_3 = 1$

A vector in  $N(A - \lambda_1 I)$  is  $\boxed{v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}$

NOTE

We can check

$$Av_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 10 & -2 \\ 10 & 5 & 8 \\ -2 & 8 & 11 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 18 \\ 18 \end{pmatrix} = 18 \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 18 v_1$$

OK

\* You can also continue doing elimination to get the rref of  $A - \lambda_1 I$ , and see the special solution.  
→ Same result.

for  $\lambda_2 = 9$

$$A - \lambda_2 I = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 10 & -2 \\ 10 & -4 & 8 \\ -2 & 8 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

We perform elimination to find a vector in the nullspace

$$\begin{bmatrix} -7 & 10 & -2 \\ 10 & -4 & 8 \\ -2 & 8 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{U}$$

→ the rank is 2, there is one free variable  $x_3$ .

→ We solve  $Ux = 0$  setting  $x_3 = 1$  and get

$$v_2 = \boxed{\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

Checking

$$Av_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 10 & -2 \\ 10 & 5 & 8 \\ -2 & 8 & 11 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ -9/2 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} = 9v_2 = \lambda_2 v_2$$

ok

For  $\lambda_3 = -9$

$$A - \lambda_3 I = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 10 & -2 \\ 10 & 14 & 8 \\ -2 & 8 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

Elimination

$$\begin{bmatrix} 11 & 10 & -2 \\ 10 & 14 & 8 \\ -2 & 8 & 20 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

we find  $v_3 = \boxed{\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}$

2) Since  $A$  is symmetric, the eigenvectors are orthogonal.

Note we can check

$$v_1^T v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + 1 = 0$$

$$v_1^T v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 1 - 2 + 1 = 0$$

$$v_2^T v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -2 + 1 + 1 = 0$$

ok

- We normalize the eigenvectors and put them as columns of a matrix  $Q$ .

$$q_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$q_2 = \frac{v_2}{\|v_2\|} = \begin{pmatrix} -2/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$q_3 = \frac{v_3}{\|v_3\|} = \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ -2/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

So we have  $A = Q \Lambda Q^T$  with

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 18 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -9 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 & -2/3 & 2/3 \\ 2/3 & -1/3 & -2/3 \\ 2/3 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

3) The eigenvectors of  $A$  are the columns of  $Q$ .  
 And we want a linear combination of the columns  
 of  $Q$  that gives  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

So we want  $Qy = x \Rightarrow y = Q^T x$ .

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ -2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We can check that  $\frac{1}{3}q_1 - \frac{2}{3}q_2 + \frac{2}{3}q_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = x$ .

So we have  $x = \frac{1}{3}q_1 - \frac{2}{3}q_2 + \frac{2}{3}q_3$

Therefore  $A^{10}x = \frac{1}{3}A^{10}q_1 + \frac{2}{3}A^{10}q_2 + \frac{2}{3}A^{10}q_3$

$$\boxed{A^{10}x = \frac{1}{3}\lambda_1^{10}q_1 - \frac{2}{3}\lambda_2^{10}q_2 + \frac{2}{3}\lambda_3^{10}q_3}$$

### Problem 4

$A = \begin{bmatrix} s & -4 & -4 \\ -4 & s & -4 \\ -4 & -4 & s \end{bmatrix}$  is positive definite if

- a) All pivots are  $> 0$
- b) All eigenvalues are  $> 0$
- c)  $x^T A x > 0$  for all  $x$ .

$\rightarrow$  we do elimination and check the pivots are all positive numbers.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} s & -4 & -4 \\ -4 & s & -4 \\ -4 & -4 & s \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \dots \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} s & -4 & -4 \\ 0 & s - \frac{16}{s} & -4 - \frac{16}{s} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{s^2 - 16}{s} - \left(-4 - \frac{16}{s}\right)^2 / \left(s - \frac{16}{s}\right) \end{pmatrix}$$

So we need:

- $s > 0$
- $s - \frac{16}{s} > 0 \rightarrow \frac{s^2 - 16}{s} > 0 \rightarrow s^2 > 16 \rightarrow s > 4$
- $\frac{s^2 - 16}{s} - \left(-4 - \frac{16}{s}\right)^2 / \left(s - \frac{16}{s}\right) > 0$   
 $\rightarrow (s+4)^2(s-8) > 0 \rightarrow s > 8$

Finally we need  $s > 8$