

## Worksheet 13 for December 3rd and 8th

1. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find a diagonal matrix  $D$  and an orthogonal matrix  $Q$  such that  $A = QDQ^{-1}$ .

*Solution.* We have to find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenspaces. We have:

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(1-\lambda) - 1 = -\lambda(2-\lambda)$$

Hence, the eigenvalues of  $A$  are 0 and 2. For  $\lambda = 0$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow R2 - R1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, the corresponding eigenspace is  $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

For  $\lambda = 2$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R2 \rightarrow R2 + R1, R1 \rightarrow -R1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, the corresponding eigenspace is  $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

Columns of  $Q$  are (linearly independent) eigenvectors of  $A$  and  $D$  is the diagonal matrix with eigenvalues of  $A$  on the main diagonal in the appropriate order (corresponding to columns of  $P$ ). Therefore:

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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2. Find the limiting values of  $y_k$  and  $z_k$  (for  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ) if

$$\begin{aligned} y_{k+1} &= .8y_k + .3z_k & y_0 &= 0 \\ z_{k+1} &= .2y_k + .7z_k & z_0 &= 5. \end{aligned}$$

Also find formulas for  $y_k$  and  $z_k$  from  $A^k = S\Lambda^k S^{-1}$ .

*Solution.* We begin by diagonalizing the matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} .8 & .3 \\ .2 & .7 \end{bmatrix}$$

First we compute the eigenvalues:

$$p(\lambda) = \begin{vmatrix} .8-\lambda & .3 \\ .2 & .7-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (.8-\lambda)(.7-\lambda) - .06 = \lambda^2 - 1.5\lambda + .5 = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda - .5)$$

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So we conclude the eigenvalues are  $\lambda = .5, 1$ . Next we find eigenvectors. ( $\lambda = 1$ ) We compute a basis of  $\text{Nul}(A - I)$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} -.2 & .3 \\ .2 & -.3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1} \begin{bmatrix} -.2 & .3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow -5R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1.5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and so we conclude that the vector  $\begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda = 1$ . ( $\lambda = .5$ ) We compute a basis of  $\text{Nul}(A - .5I)$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} .3 & .3 \\ .2 & .2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - \frac{2}{3}R_1} \begin{bmatrix} .3 & .3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow \frac{10}{3}R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and so we conclude that the vector  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda = .5$ . Next, we must invert the matrix  $S = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &\xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{5}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow \frac{3}{5}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{2}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + \frac{2}{3}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{2}{5} & \frac{2}{5} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{2}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $S^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/5 & 2/5 \\ -2/5 & 3/5 \end{bmatrix}$  and we have the factorization:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} .8 & .3 \\ .2 & .7 \end{bmatrix}}_A = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1.5 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_S \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & .5 \end{bmatrix}}_\Lambda \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2/5 & 2/5 \\ -2/5 & 3/5 \end{bmatrix}}_{S^{-1}}$$

Next we compute explicit formulas for  $y_k, z_k$  by:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_k \\ z_k \end{bmatrix} = A^k \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = S \Lambda^k S^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2^{-k} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2/5 & 2/5 \\ -2/5 & 3/5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3(1 - 2^{-k}) \\ 2 + 3 \cdot 2^{-k} \end{bmatrix}$$

Take  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in the above formulas for  $y_k, z_k$ , we get the limiting values:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_\infty \\ z_\infty \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**3.** If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , find  $A^{100}$  by diagonalizing  $A$ .

*Solution.* We begin by computing the eigenvalues for  $A$ :

$$p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 4 - \lambda & 3 \\ 1 & 2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = (4 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda) - 3 = \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 5 = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 5)$$

and so the eigenvalues are  $\lambda = 1$  and  $\lambda = 5$ . Next we compute eigenvectors for these eigenvalues. ( $\lambda = 1$ )

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \frac{1}{3}R_1, R_1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

so we get the eigenvector  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} (\lambda = 5)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow -R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and so we get the eigenvector  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  Next we need to invert the matrix  $S = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow -R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{4}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/4 & 1/4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + 3R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1/4 & 3/4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/4 & 1/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus we get the following factorization:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}_A = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_S \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}}_\Lambda \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1/4 & 3/4 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 \end{bmatrix}}_{S^{-1}}$$

Finally, we compute:

$$A^{100} = S\Lambda^{100}S^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5^{100} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 3 \cdot 5^{100} & -3 + 3 \cdot 5^{100} \\ -1 + 5^{100} & 3 + 5^{100} \end{bmatrix} \quad \square$$

4. Decide for or against the positive definiteness of these matrices, and write out the corresponding  $f = x^T Ax$ :

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$
- (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$
- (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The determinant in (b) is zero; along what line is  $f(x, y) = 0$ ?

- Solution.*
- (a) We want to know whether this matrix has a negative eigenvalue. The determinant of this matrix is  $-4$ , and also the determinant is always the product of the eigenvalues. Thus this matrix has a negative eigenvalue, and is not positive definite. In this case,  $f(x, y) = x^2 + 6xy + 5y^2$ .
  - (b) This matrix is not positive definite since the determinant is 0 (so zero is an eigenvalue). In this case,  $f(x, y) = x^2 - 2xy + y^2$ . Also, setting  $f(x, y) = 0$ , we get that  $f(x, y) = (x - y)^2 = 0$  and so  $x - y = 0$ , i.e.,  $f(x, y) = 0$  along the line  $y = x$ .
  - (c) This matrix is positive definite since the determinant is positive ( $= 10 - 9 = 1 > 0$ ), so the eigenvalues both have the same sign. The trace (the sum of the eigenvalues) is  $2 + 5 = 7 > 0$  which is positive, so both eigenvalues are positive. In this case,  $f(x, y) = 2x^2 + 6xy + 10y^2$ .

- (d) This matrix is not positive definite since the determinant is positive ( $= 8 - 4 = 4 > 0$ ) but the trace is negative ( $= -9 < 0$ ). Thus both eigenvalues are negative. In this case,  $f(x, y) = -x^2 + 4xy - 8y^2$ .

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