



# MA 103 - Mid-sem (2024) - Solutions

① (a) (i), (iii), (iv)

(b) (ii) (False)

(c) (i) (True)

(d) (i)

(e) (iii)

②  $w_1 = (1, 0, 1)$  Note that  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$ , so  
 $w_2 = (0, 1, 1)$   
 $w_3 = (1, 3, 3)$   $w_1, w_2, w_3$  are linearly independent.

Step 1 Take  $v_1 = w_1 = (1, 0, 1)$

Step 2 (i)  $v_2 = w_2 - \text{Proj}_{v_1} w_2$

$$= (0, 1, 1) - \frac{\langle v_1, w_2 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1$$

$$= (0, 1, 1) - \frac{(1)(0) + (0)(1) + (1)(1)}{(1^2 + 0^2 + 1^2)} (1, 0, 1)$$

$$= (0, 1, 1) - \frac{1}{2} (1, 0, 1) = \left( \frac{-1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

(ii)  $v_3 = w_3 - \text{Proj}_{\text{span}\{v_1, v_2\}} w_3$

$$= w_3 - \left( \frac{\langle v_1, w_3 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1 + \frac{\langle v_2, w_3 \rangle}{\|v_2\|^2} v_2 \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (1, 3, 3) - \left( \frac{\{(1)(1) + (0)(3) + (1)(3)\}}{1^2 + 0^2 + 1^2} (1, 0, 1) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{\left\{ \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(1) + (1)(3) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(3) \right\}}{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 1^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} \left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2}\right) \right) \\
 &= (1, 3, 3) - \left( \frac{4}{2} (1, 0, 1) + \frac{4}{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)} \left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2}\right) \right) \\
 &= (1, 3, 3) - \left( (2, 0, 2) + \left(-\frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{3}, \frac{4}{3}\right) \right) \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{3} (1, 1, -1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence orthogonal basis is  $\{(1, 0, 1), \left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2}\right), \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}\right)\}$

The corresponding orthonormal basis is

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left\{ \frac{(1, 0, 1)}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}}, \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}\right)}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}} \right\} \\
 &= \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right), \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\right), \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(3)

The standard matrix corresponding to the transformation

$$T \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4a_1 + a_3 \\ 2a_1 + 3a_2 + 2a_3 \\ a_1 + 4a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

is  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ , call it A.

a) Eigenvalues are the solutions of

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 4-\lambda & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3-\lambda & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (4-\lambda)(3-\lambda) - (3-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3-\lambda)(16-8\lambda+\lambda^2-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3-\lambda)(\lambda^2-8\lambda+15) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -(1-\lambda)(\lambda-3)(\lambda-5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda-3)^2(\lambda-5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Eigenvalues are } \lambda_1=3, \lambda_2=5 \quad \boxed{\text{I}}$$

b) (i)  $E_{\lambda_1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\} : A \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$$\text{Now } (A - 3I) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Augmented matrix:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow x_2$  is a free variable, say  $t$ .

$$\text{Moreover } x_1 + x_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = -x_3.$$

$$\text{Let } x_3 = s, \text{ then } x_1 = -s$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } E_{\lambda_1} &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -s \\ t \\ s \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : (s, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0, 0\} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ s \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} : (s, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0, 0\} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

(I)

$$(ii) E_{\lambda_2} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\} : A \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = 5 \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

$$(A - 5I) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -R_1 & \rightarrow & -R_1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$R_2 \rightarrow \frac{R_2}{-2}$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad (\text{REF form})$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 - x_3 = 0$$

$$x_2 - 2x_3 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  If  $x_3 = t$ , say, then  $x_1 = t$ ,  $x_2 = 2t$

$$\Rightarrow E_{\lambda_2} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t \\ 2t \\ t \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : t \neq 0 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : t \neq 0 \right\}$$

III

(c) Algebraic multiplicities of  $\lambda_1$  &  $\lambda_2$ :

From (I),

$$AM(\lambda_1) = 2, \quad AM(\lambda_2) = 1.$$

Geometric multiplicities of  $\lambda_1$  &  $\lambda_2$ :

From (II) & (III),

$$GM(\lambda_1) = 2 \quad GM(\lambda_2) = 1$$

(2 basis vectors)      (1 basis vector)

(d) From (c), since  $AM(\lambda_i) = GM(\lambda_i)$ , for  $i=1,2$ , we conclude that  $A$  is diagonalizable.

(4) It is given that  $Y_i = AX_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 3$  are linearly independent.

Note that since  $A$  is  $3 \times 3$  matrix &  
 $X_i$ 's are  $3 \times 1$  matrices,  $Y_i$ 's are  $3 \times 1$  matrices.

Arrange them in 3 columns so as to get  
a  $3 \times 3$  matrices, i.e., consider

$$\begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ Y_1 & Y_2 & Y_3 \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ AX_1 & AX_2 & AX_3 \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

observe that  $\begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ Y_1 & Y_2 & Y_3 \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ X_1 & X_2 & X_3 \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix} - \textcircled{*}$

Justification: If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$ ,

$$\& X_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{12} \\ x_{13} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then}$$

$$AX_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_{11} + a_{12}x_{12} + a_{13}x_{13} \\ a_{21}x_{11} + a_{22}x_{12} + a_{23}x_{13} \\ a_{31}x_{11} + a_{32}x_{12} + a_{33}x_{13} \end{bmatrix}$$

which is the first column of

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ AX_1 & AX_2 & AX_3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now  $\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ Y_1 & Y_2 & Y_3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$  (since  $Y_i$ 's are linearly independent)

$$\text{From } \textcircled{*}, \det \left( A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ X_1 & X_2 & X_3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A) \cdot \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ X_1 & X_2 & X_3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A) \neq 0 \& \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ X_1 & X_2 & X_3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \neq 0$$

Thus  $A$  is non-singular &  $X_i$ 's are linearly independent.

⑤ It's given that  $A$  has a right inverse.  
 So  $\exists B_{n \times m} \ni AB = I_m$ .

Let  $b$  be any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .  
 If we show there exists a vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
 such that  $Ax = b$ , then by a theorem done  
 in one of the lectures,  $b$  will lie in the  
 column space of  $A$ , and hence the column  
 vectors of  $A$  will span  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , and we will be done.

To that end, note that if  $x = Bb$  (this  
 makes sense since  $B_{n \times m} \& b_{m \times 1}$ , so  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ),  
 then

$$\begin{aligned} Ax &= A(Bb) \\ &= (AB)b \\ &= I_{m \times m} b_{m \times 1} \\ &= b. \end{aligned}$$

□

⑥ We are given that  $\lambda$  is a non-zero eigenvalue of  $AB$ .  
 Let  $x$  be an eigenvector corresponding  
 to  $\lambda$ , that is,

$$ABx = \lambda x$$

Pre-multiply both sides by  $B$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} B(ABx) &= B(\lambda x) \\ \Rightarrow (\underbrace{BA})Bx &= \lambda(Bx) \end{aligned}$$

Associativity  
of matrices

Thus  $Bx$  is an eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda$ , and so  $\lambda$  is also an eigenvalue of  $BA$ .

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