

## Homework Assignment #9

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### Chapter 2: Review Questions

1. Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with rank  $r$ . What do you know about  $C(A)$  and how  $r$  is related to  $m$  and  $n$  when the number of solutions to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  behaves as follows.

- (a) 0 or 1, depending on  $\vec{b}$ .
- (b)  $\infty$  independent on  $\vec{b}$ .
- (c) 0 or  $\infty$  depending on  $\vec{b}$
- (d) 1 regardless of  $\vec{b}$

**Solution:**

- (a) In order to get 0 or 1 solution we need to have a pivot in every column but more rows than columns so that it is possible we will have a row of all 0's in the REF for of  $A$ .

This means the rank  $r = n$  and that  $m > n$ .

- (b) In order to have infinity solutions we have to have a pivot in every row (so we always have a solution) but more columns than rows (so that we will have some free variables).

This means the rank  $r = m$  and  $n > m$ .

- (c) In order to have 0 we need to have fewer pivots than rows, in order to have  $\infty$  solutions we need fewer pivots than columns.

This means  $r < m$  and  $r < n$ . There is no relationship between  $m$  and  $n$  that we need to be aware of. That is we can find the same solution behavior in a  $2 \times 3$  matrix and a  $4 \times 3$  matrix.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (d) In order to have a unique solution for every  $\vec{b}$  we need  $N(A^T) = 0$  and  $N(A) = 0$  which means that  $m = n = r$ . That is, we have a square invertible matrix.

2. Consider the following matrix  $A$  and  $\vec{b}$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Under what conditions on  $\vec{b}$  does  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  have a solution?

**Solution:** Let's consider the augmented matrix:

$$\left[ A \mid \vec{b} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & b_2 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & 1 & b_3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & b_3 - 2b_1 \end{array} \right].$$

Solutions exist only when  $b_2 = 0$ .

(b) Find the general solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  when a solution exists.

**Solution:** We first note that  $b_2 = 0$ . Then we pick up our augmented matrix calculation from above:

$$\left[ A \mid \vec{b} \right] \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & b_3 - 2b_1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & b_3 - 2b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

This system has 2 pivots and 2 free variables. We have  $x_3 = t$  and  $x_2 = s$ . We have  $x_4 = (-1/5)(b_3 - 2b_1)$  and:

$$x_1 = b_1 - 2x_2 - 3x_4 = b_1 - 2s + (3/5)(b_3 - 2b_1) = (-1/5)b_1 + (3/5)b_3 - 2s.$$

Thus the solution we have is:

$$\vec{x} = (-1/5) \begin{bmatrix} b_1 - 3b_3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ b_3 - 2b_1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(c) Find a basis for the column space of  $A$ .

**Solution:** The basis for  $C(A)$  is given by the columns in  $A$  that correspond to pivots in the row-echelon form of  $A$ . In this case, this is columns 1 and 4. Thus we have:

$$C(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Note that:

- We note that these two vectors are linear independent.
- The second column of  $A$  is twice the first column of  $A$ , so it need not be included in a basis for  $C(A)$ .
- The third column of  $A$  is the zero vector, which is never part of a basis.

(d) What is the rank of  $A^T$ ?

**Solution:** We know that the rank of  $A^T$  is the same as the rank of  $A$  and is the number of pivots. In this case rank  $A^T$  is equal to 2.

3. Suppose that the following depicts  $PA = LU$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 & 9 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) What is the rank of
- $A$
- ?

**Solution:** The rank of  $A$  is the number of pivots in  $U$ , the row-echelon form of  $A$ . Here we see that  $U$  has 3 pivots, so the rank of  $A$  is 3.

- (b) What is a basis for the row space of
- $A$
- ?

**Solution:** A basis for the row space of  $A$  is either the non-zero rows in  $U$ , the row-echelon form of  $PA$ . Or the corresponding rows in the matrix  $PA$ . In this case, both are the same:

$$C(A^T) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

- (c) True or False: Rows 1, 2, 3 of
- $A$
- are linearly independent.

**Solution:** False. As we can see from the  $PA = LU$  factorization:  $R_3 = 2R_2 + R_1$ . As such, these rows are linearly dependent.

- (d) What is a basis for the column space of
- $A$
- ?

**Solution:** A basis for the column space of  $A$  are the columns in  $A$  that correspond to the pivots of  $U$ , the row-echelon form of  $A$ . That is,

$$C(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 9 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

If we denote the  $i$ -th column of  $A$  by  $C_i$ , then we notice that:  $C_2 = (-1/2)C_1$  and  $C_4 = -3C_3 - 14C_2$ . Thus, these are linearly dependent.

- (e) What is the dimension of the left nullspace of
- $A$
- ?

**Solution:** The dimension of the left nullspace is the number of the rows minus the rank of  $A$ . We have 4 rows and the rank of  $A$  is 3, thus the dimension of the left nullspace is 1.

If we want to see this directly, we can solve:  $A^T \vec{x} = \vec{0}$ :

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 2 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 & 5 & 0 \\ -3 & 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 4 & 9 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_4 \rightarrow R_4 + 3R_1 \\ R_5 \rightarrow R_5 - 2R_1 \end{array}}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 4 & 9 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 14 & 28 & 14 & 0 \\ 0 & -7 & -14 & -5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 2R_2 \\ R_4 \rightarrow R_4 + 14R_2, R_5 \rightarrow R_5 - 7R_2 \end{array}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 4 & 9 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_5 \leftrightarrow R_3}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 4 & 9 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

We have 3 pivots and 1 free variable. We have  $x_4 = 0$ ,  $x_3 = t$  and thus,  $x_2 = -2t$  and:

$$x_1 = -4x_2 - 9x_3 - 5x_4 = -4(-2t) - 9(t) - 5(0) = -t.$$

Thus our solution to  $A^T \vec{x} = \vec{0}$  is of the form:

$$\vec{x} = t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

And thus the left nullspace of  $A$  has dimension 1.

(f) What is the general solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ ?

**Solution:** We first note that:

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \implies PA\vec{x} = P\vec{0} = \vec{0}.$$

But then we have:

$$PA\vec{x} = \vec{0} \implies LU\vec{x} = \vec{0} \implies U\vec{x} = L^{-1}\vec{0} = \vec{0}.$$

Thus we have to solve:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 2 & -1 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

This system has 3 pivots and 2 free variables. We have  $x_5 = 0$ ,  $x_4 = t$ ,  $x_2 = s$ . Then row 2 gives us:  $x_3 = 3x_4 - 2x_5 = 3t$ . And row 1 gives us:

$$2x_1 = x_2 - 4x_3 - 2x_4 - x_5 \implies 2x_1 = s - 4(3t) - 2(t) - 0 \implies x_1 = (s/2) - 7t.$$

Thus we have:

$$\vec{x} = \left\{ s \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

## Chapter 3: Review Questions

4. Construct the projection matrix  $P$  which projects vectors onto the space spanned by  $(1, 1, 1)$  and  $(0, 1, 3)$ .

**Solution:** We know that if we want to project onto the column space of  $A$  we need to consider the matrix:

$$P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T.$$

Let's let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

This means:

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } (A^T A)^{-1} = \frac{1}{14} \begin{bmatrix} 10 & -4 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the matrix  $P$  is defined:

$$P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \left( \frac{1}{14} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 10 & -4 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{14} \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 6 & -2 \\ 6 & 5 & 3 \\ -2 & 3 & 13 \end{bmatrix}.$$

5. Find all 2 by 2 orthogonal matrices who have entries that are only 0 and 1.

**Solution:** We need matrices of the form:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

that are also orthogonal matrices with only entries 0 and 1.

That is we need:

$$a^2 + c^2 = 1^2, b^2 + d^2 = 1^2 \text{ and } ac + bd = 0.$$

There are only two choices for this. Either:

- $a = 0, c = 1$  and  $b = 1, d = 0$
- $a = 1, c = 0$  and  $b = 0, d = 1$

This gives us only two choices:

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We notice that  $A_1^T A_1 = A_2^T A_2 = I$  as required. Note that these matrices involve permutations of the identity matrix.

6. What point on the plane  $x + y - z = 0$  is the closest to  $\vec{b} = (2, 1, 0)^T$ .

**Solution:** We first note that the point  $\vec{b}$  is not on the plane  $x + y - z = 0$  because it does not satisfy the equation. This means that we now need to project the point  $\vec{b}$  onto the space spanned by the two vectors defining the plane.

That is, we first need to solve:

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

We can see that we have 1 pivot and 2 free variables:  $x_3 = t, x_2 = s$  and  $x_1 = -x_2 + x_3 = -s + t$ . Thus we have two special solutions which correspond to a basis for the plane:

$$\left\{ s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Thus, we define a matrix  $A$  with these two vectors as columns so  $C(A)$  will be the plane:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then, we have to find the projection  $\vec{p}$  of  $\vec{b}$  defined as follows:

$$\vec{p} = P\vec{b} = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \vec{b}.$$

We have:

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } (A^T A)^{-1} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then we build:

$$P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Finally we have:

$$\vec{p} = P\vec{b} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

7. Use Gram-Schmidt to construct an orthonormal pair  $\vec{q}_1$  and  $\vec{q}_2$  from the vectors:

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Express  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$  as a linear combination of  $\vec{q}_1$  and  $\vec{q}_2$  and determine the  $QR$  factorization for the matrix  $A$ , the 4 by 2 matrix whose columns consist of  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$ .

**Solution:** We know that the algorithm for Gram-Schmidt is as follows:

- $\vec{q}_1 = \frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|}.$
- $\vec{Y} = \vec{y} - (\vec{y}^T \vec{q}_1) \vec{q}_1$  and then  $\vec{q}_2 = \frac{\vec{Y}}{\|\vec{Y}\|}$

Thus we have:

$$\vec{q}_1 = \frac{\vec{x}}{\sqrt{4^2 + 5^2 + 2^2 + 2^2}} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We then build:

$$\vec{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{7} ((1)(4) + (2)(5) + (0)(2) + (0)(2)) \begin{bmatrix} 4/7 \\ 5/7 \\ 2/7 \\ 2/7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 8/7 \\ 10/7 \\ 4/7 \\ 4/7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/7 \\ 4/7 \\ -4/7 \\ -4/7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then we normalize to get:

$$\vec{q}_2 = \frac{\vec{Y}}{\|\vec{Y}\|} = \frac{\vec{Y}}{\sqrt{(1+(3)4^2)/(49)}} = \vec{Y}.$$

We then are looking for the following:

$$Q^T A = R \implies \begin{bmatrix} \vec{q}_1^T \\ \vec{q}_2^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{x} & \vec{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{q}_1^T \vec{x} & \vec{q}_1^T \vec{y} \\ \vec{q}_2^T \vec{x} & \vec{q}_2^T \vec{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\vec{q}_1^T \vec{x} = \|\vec{x}\| = 7$
- $\vec{q}_1^T \vec{y} = (1)(4/7) + (2)(5/7) + (0)(2/7) + (0)(2/7) = 2$
- $\vec{q}_2^T \vec{x} = (-1/7)(4) + (4/7)(5) + (-4/7)(2) + (-4/7)(2) = 0$  (as expected)
- $\vec{q}_2^T \vec{y} = (-1/7)(1) + (4/7)(2) + (-4/7)(0) + (-4/7)(0) = 7/7 = 1$

Thus we have:

$$A = QR \implies \begin{bmatrix} \vec{x} & \vec{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{q}_1 & \vec{q}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

8. If  $Q$  is an orthogonal matrix, is  $Q^3$  and orthogonal matrix?

**Solution:** The answer is yes, if  $Q$  is an orthogonal matrix so is  $Q^3$  and indeed any power of  $Q$  is again an orthogonal matrix. We will prove this by mathematical induction. That is, we will show that if  $Q$  is an orthogonal matrix then  $Q^n$  is also orthogonal.

Remember if  $Q$  is an orthogonal matrix, it is a square matrix with orthonormal columns that satisfies:

$$Q^T Q = Q Q^T = I.$$

- **Base Case:** Let's show that  $Q^2$  is an orthogonal matrix. (This was a previous homework problem.) That is, we need to show that :  $(Q^2)^T Q^2 = I$ .

$$(Q^2)^T Q^2 = Q^T Q^T Q Q = Q^T I Q = Q^T Q = I.$$

Thus, we have proven the Base Case.

- **Inductive Hypothesis:** We will assume that for  $k$  we have  $Q^k$  is an orthogonal matrix. That is,

$$(Q^k)^T Q^k = I.$$

- **Inductive Step:** Now let's show that if  $Q^k$  is orthogonal this implies that  $Q^{(k+1)}$  is orthogonal:

$$(Q^{(k+1)})^T Q^{(k+1)} = (Q Q^k)^T Q^{(k+1)} = (Q^k)^T Q^T Q Q^k = (Q^k)^T I Q^k = (Q^k)^T Q^k = I.$$

The last equality uses our inductive hypothesis. And thus we have shown that  $Q^k$  being orthogonal implies  $Q^{(k+1)}$  is orthogonal.

Thus  $Q^k$  is an orthogonal matrix if  $Q$  is for any power of  $k$ .

9. For any  $A$ ,  $\vec{b}$ ,  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$  show that:

(a) If  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{y}^T A = \vec{0}$  then show,  $\vec{y}^T \vec{b} = 0$ .

**Solution:** Notice that this is asking us to show that  $N(A^T)$  is orthogonal to  $C(A)$ .

$$\vec{y}^T \vec{b} = \vec{y}^T (A\vec{x}) = (\vec{y}^T A)\vec{x} = \vec{0}^T \vec{x} = 0.$$

(b) If  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  and  $A^T \vec{y} = \vec{b}$  then  $\vec{x}^T \vec{b} = 0$ .

**Solution:** Notice this is asking us to show that the row space  $C(A^T)$  is orthogonal to the nullspace  $N(A)$ .

$$\vec{x}^T \vec{b} = \vec{x}^T (A^T \vec{y}) = (\vec{x}^T A^T) \vec{y} = (A\vec{x})^T \vec{y} = \vec{0}^T \vec{y} = 0.$$

10. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and let  $V$  be the nullspace of  $A$ . Find a basis for  $V$  and a basis for  $V^\perp$ .

**Solution:** To find the nullspace, we need to solve  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ .

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

The matrix has 1 pivot and 2 free variables. We have  $x_3 = t$ ,  $x_2 = s$  and we have:

$$3x_1 = -x_2 + x_3 \implies x_1 = \frac{1}{3}(-s + t).$$

Thus, each of these special solutions corresponds to a basis vector for  $N(A)$ :

$$V = N(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

In order to find  $V^\perp$  we have two different ways to operate. First, we could appeal to the fact that we know  $C(A^T)$  is the orthogonal complement to  $N(A)$ . Then we look for a basis for the row-space which is (since we have only one row) that row.

Second, we could try to seek a generic vector of the form:  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \end{bmatrix}$  that satisfies:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{x}^T \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} &= 0 \text{ and } \vec{x}^T \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \\ \implies -\frac{1}{3}x_1 + x_2 + 0x_3 &= 0 \text{ and } \frac{1}{3}x_1 + 0x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ \implies \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} &\xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1} \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

We see that this system has 2 pivots and 1 free variable. We have:  $x_3 = t$ ,  $x_2 = -t$  and  $x_1 = -3t$ . Thus we have:

$$V^\perp = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

We notice that this vector is just the negative of the single row matrix as predicted.



## Chapter 4 (Section 4.1): Review Questions

11. If  $B = M^{-1}AM$  find  $\det(B)$  in terms of  $\det(A)$ . What is  $\det(A^{-1}B)$ ?

**Solution:** We know from our properties of determinants that the determinant of a product is the product of the determinants. We also know that  $\det(M^{-1}) = 1/\det(M)$ . Together this lets us determine:

$$\det(B) = \det(M^{-1}AM) = \det(M^{-1})\det(A)\det(M) = \frac{1}{\det(M)}\det(A)\det(M) = \det(A).$$

We also know that:

$$\det(A^{-1}B) = \det(A^{-1}B) = \det(A^{-1})\det(B) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}\det(A) = 1.$$

12. Use row operations to simplify and compute these determinants:

(a) Find  $\det(A)$  when  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 101 & 201 & 301 \\ 102 & 202 & 302 \\ 103 & 203 & 303 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution:** While we could use the basket weaving method to calculate a determinant, row operations actually make this one pretty reasonable. Remember, any row-operation does not change the determinant calculation.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 101 & 201 & 301 \\ 102 & 202 & 302 \\ 103 & 203 & 303 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow[\substack{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1}]{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1} \begin{vmatrix} 101 & 201 & 301 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_2} \begin{vmatrix} 101 & 201 & 301 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

The last equality is because we know any matrix with two identical rows has determinant 0.

(b) Find  $\det(A)$  when  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t & t^2 \\ t & 1 & t \\ t^2 & t & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution:** We could use the basket weaving method, but row operations similarly make this calculation reasonable.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & t & t^2 \\ t & 1 & t \\ t^2 & t & 1 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow[\substack{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - tR_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - t^2R_1}]{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - tR_1} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & t & t^2 \\ 0 & 1 - t^2 & t - t^3 \\ 0 & t - t^3 & 1 - t^4 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - tR_2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & t & t^2 \\ 0 & 1 - t^2 & t - t^3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - t^2 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(1 - t^2)^2.$$

Thus,  $\det(A) = (1 - t^2)^2$ .

(c) Consider the following  $LU$  factorization of the matrix  $A$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 4 \\ 6 & 8 & 7 \\ -3 & 5 & -9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = LU.$$

Find the determinants of  $L$ ,  $U$ ,  $A$ ,  $U^{-1}L^{-1}$  and  $U^{-1}L^{-1}A$ .

**Solution:**

- $\det(L) = 1$  because the determinant of an upper/lower triangular or diagonal matrix is the product of diagonal entries.
- $\det(U) = 3(2)(-1) = -6$  because the determinant of an upper/lower triangular or diagonal matrix is the product of diagonal entries.
- $\det(A) = \det(LU) = \det(L)\det(U) = 1(-6) = -6$  because the determinant of a product is the product of the determinants.
- Since  $A = LU$  we know  $A^{-1} = U^{-1}L^{-1}$ . And we know,  $\det(A^{-1}) = 1/\det(A)$ . Thus,

$$\det(U^{-1}L^{-1}) = \det(A^{-1}) = 1/\det(A) = -1/6.$$

- Note that  $U^{-1}L^{-1}A = A^{-1}A = I$  and  $\det(I) = 1$ . Thus,

$$\det(U^{-1}L^{-1}A) = \det(A^{-1}A) = \det(I) = 1.$$

**Chapter 5 (Sections 5.1 - 5.3): Review Questions**

13. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors and diagonalize each of the following two matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ -15 & -4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Use the diagonalization to calculate  $A^{50}$  and  $B^{200}$ .

**Solution:** Let's do these one at a time.

- $A$ :

First we need to solve for the eigenvalues

$$0 = \det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - \text{tr}(A)\lambda + \det(A) = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3 = (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 1).$$

This gives us  $\lambda_1 = 3$  and  $\lambda_2 = 1$ . We then need to find eigenvectors:

–  $\lambda_1 = 3$ :

$$(A - 3I)\vec{x} = \vec{0} \implies \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1-3 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3-3 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

We have 1 pivot and 1 free variable. Our eigenvector is:

$$\vec{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

–  $\lambda_2 = 1$

$$(A - I)\vec{x} = \vec{0} \implies \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1-1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3-1 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

We have 1 pivot and 1 free variable. Let  $x_2 = t$  then we have  $x_1 = -t$ . Thus our eigenvector is:

$$\vec{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In order to diagonalize, we need a matrix of eigenvalues  $\Lambda$ , the matrix of eigenvectors  $S$  and its inverse  $S^{-1}$ .

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } S^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus we have:

$$A = S\Lambda S^{-1}$$

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

In order to calculate  $A^{50}$  we use our diagonalization to obtain:

$$A^{50} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3^{50} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 + 3^{50} & 3^{50} \end{bmatrix}.$$

• *B*

We recall,

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ -15 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

We first find the eigenvalues by solving:

$$0 = \det(B - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - \text{tr}(B)\lambda + \det(B) = \lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 = (\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 1).$$

This gives us  $\lambda_1 = 1$  and  $\lambda_2 = 2$ .

Now we need to find the eigenvectors:

–  $\lambda_1 = 1$ :

$$(B - I)\vec{x} = \vec{0} \implies \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 7-1 & 2 & 0 \\ -15 & -4-1 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 6 & 2 & 0 \\ -15 & -5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + (5/2)R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 6 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

We have 1 pivot and 1 free variable. This gives us:  $x_2 = t$  and  $x_1 = -t/3$ . For simplicity we will let  $t = 3$  and consider the eigenvector:

$$\vec{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

–  $\lambda_2 = 2$ :

$$(B - 2I)\vec{x} = \vec{0} \implies \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 7-2 & 2 & 0 \\ -15 & -4-2 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 5 & 2 & 0 \\ -15 & -6 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 3R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 5 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

We have 1 pivot and 1 free variable. This gives us  $x_2 = t$  and  $x_1 = -2t/5$ . For simplicity we will let  $t = 5$  and end up with the eigenvector:

$$\vec{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In order to diagonalize, we need a matrix of eigenvalues  $\Lambda$ , the matrix of eigenvectors  $S$  and its inverse  $S^{-1}$ .

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, S = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } S^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then we have:

$$B = S\Lambda S^{-1} \implies \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ -15 & -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In order to calculate  $B^{200}$  we will use the diagonalization:

$$B^{200} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2^{200} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 + (6)2^{200} & 2(-1 + 2^{200}) \\ 15(1 - 2^{200}) & 6 - (5)2^{200} \end{bmatrix}.$$

14. Find the determinants of  $A$  and  $A^{-1}$  if:

$$A = S \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 2 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} S^{-1}.$$

**Solution:** We know that the determinant of a product is the produce of the determinants, we also know that  $\det(A^{-1}) = 1/\det(A)$ . Thus,

$$\det(A) = \det(S) \begin{vmatrix} \lambda_1 & 2 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{vmatrix} (1/\det(S)) = \lambda_1 \lambda_2.$$

Thus,  $\det(A^{-1}) = 1/\det(A) = 1/(\lambda_1 \lambda_2)$ .

15. If  $A$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = 0$  and  $\lambda_2 = 1$  that correspond respectively to eigenvectors:

$$\vec{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Find  $A$ .

**Solution:** Here we will use the fact that we can diagonalize the matrix  $A$  by its eigenvalues and eigenvectors. That is, we need to determine  $S$ , the matrix of eigenvectors,  $S^{-1}$  and  $\Lambda$  the matrix of eigenvalues and we will have:

$$A = S\Lambda S^{-1}.$$

We have:

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(S)} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus we have:

$$A = S\Lambda S^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) Find the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of  $A^2$ .

**Solution:** The next question is to find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A^2$ . We could find those directly, or we could use the fact that we know the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of  $A$ :

$$A\vec{x}_1 = (0)\vec{x}_1 \implies A^2\vec{x}_1 = A(A\vec{x}_1) = A(0\vec{x}_1) = 0\vec{x}_1$$

$$A\vec{x}_2 = \vec{x}_2 \implies A^2\vec{x}_2 = A(A\vec{x}_2) = A\vec{x}_2 = \vec{x}_2.$$

Thus,  $\lambda_1 = 0$  and  $\lambda_2 = 1$  are still eigenvalues of  $A^2$  and the eigenvectors are the same. Indeed, if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue and  $\vec{x}$  an eigenvector of  $A$  then:

$$A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x} \implies A^2\vec{x} = A(A\vec{x}) = A\lambda\vec{x} = \lambda A\vec{x} = \lambda^2\vec{x}.$$