

# Linear algebra assignment

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## Part I

Let's consider the following set of 5 vectors with real components :

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

### Q1

Which subset of this set of vectors is a basis for the vector space of dimension 2 with real components? Why?

**Solution:** Since it is the set of vectors, it can be denoted in matrix format:

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 11 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Using  $r_j, j \in \mathbb{N}$  represent row, we reduce the row of this matrix: apply  $r_1/5$  and  $r_2 \cdot -1$ , we get:

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2.2 & 0.6 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

The pivot columns present the basis vector of the set of vectors. Specifically, the basis vectors are:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

### Q2

We define the 2x2 matrix,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , If we multiply A and a vector u, we get a vector Au which can be seen as a linear combination of 2 vectors : except for the canonical basis, what obvious set of 2 vectors can it be?

**Solution:** Obviously,  $Au$  can be considered as the transformation of the basis  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

### Q3

Does  $A^{-1}$  exist? Why?

**Solution:** Since  $A$  is a squared matrix and the determinate of  $A$  is  $\det(A) = 3 * 2 - 5 * 2 = -4 \neq 0$ , so the inverse of  $A$  exists.

### Q4

Use 2 different ways to find the vector  $x$  such as  $Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$

**Solution:** Suppose  $x = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$

S1. The product of the matrix and vector:

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3a + 5b \\ 2a + 2b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 3a + 5b = 2 \\ 2a + 2b = -4 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = -6 \\ b = 4 \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

S2. Use  $A^{-1}$ :

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$Ax \cdot A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot A^{-1} \quad (2)$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 & 1.25 \\ 0.5 & -0.75 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

### Q5

What are the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A?

**Solution:** Suppose  $\lambda, u$  presents the eigenvalues and eigenvectors, we get:  $Au = \lambda u$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 3 - \lambda & 5 \\ 2 & 2 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 5\lambda - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{5 - \sqrt{41}}{2}, \frac{5 + \sqrt{41}}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{for simplify the computation of eigenvectors, we propose: } \lambda = \begin{cases} -0.7, \\ 5.7 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Let } u = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = -0.7, (A - \lambda I)u = \begin{bmatrix} 3.7 & 5 \\ 2 & 2.7 \end{bmatrix} u = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 3.7x + 5y = 0 \\ 2x + 2.7y = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = -1.35y \\ y = y \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Let } y = 1, \text{ we get: } u = \begin{bmatrix} -1.35 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = 5.7, \text{ after the same process, we get: } u = \begin{bmatrix} 1.85 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

## PartII

### Q1

What are the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix

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

**Solution:**

$$(M - \lambda I)u = 0 \Rightarrow \det(M - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 - \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda = 1 \\ \lambda = 2 \\ \lambda = 3 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = 1 : (M - I)u = 0 \Rightarrow u = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ let } x = 1, \text{ we get: } u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = 2 : u = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ x \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ let } x = 1, \text{ we get: } u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = 3 : u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ z \end{bmatrix}, \text{ let } z = 1, \text{ we get: } u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

## Q2

Is the matrix  $M$  diagonalizable and why? If this is the case, what does a diagonal matrix similar to it looks like?

**Solution:**

Since  $M$  is a squared matrix, we got the eigenvalues of  $M$  and they are unique, so we can say  $M$  is diagonalizable.

The similar one is its corresponding diagonal matrix  $D$  (Descending order of Eigenvalues)

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

## Q3

Calculate  $M^5$

**Solution:**

$$\text{Diagonalize } M : \quad M = CDC^{-1} \quad (1)$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$C^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(C)} \cdot C^T = -1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$M^5 = CDC^5C^{-1} \quad (4)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 243 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 32 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 32 & 1 \\ 0 & 32 & 0 \\ 243 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 31 & 0 \\ 0 & 32 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 243 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

#### Q4

Based on c), what is  $M^4$ ?

**Solution:**

$$M^4 = CDC^4C^{-1} \quad (1)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 81 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 16 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 15 & 0 \\ 0 & 16 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 81 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

#### PartIII

We define the  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 3 \\ 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

**Q1**

If we multiply  $A$  and a vector  $u$ , we get a vector  $Au$  which can be seen as a linear combination of 2 vectors : except for the canonical basis, what obvious set of 2 vectors can it be?

**Solution:**

Obviously, the set of 2 basis vectors are  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

**Q2**

What are the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$ ?

**Solution:**

$$(A - \lambda I)u = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$\det \left( \begin{bmatrix} -5 - \lambda & 3 \\ 6 & 2 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda = -7 \\ \lambda = 4 \end{cases} \tag{2}$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = -7, (A - (-7)I)u = 0 \Rightarrow x = -1.5y, \text{ let } y = 1, \text{ we get:} \tag{3}$$

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} -1.5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \tag{4}$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = 4, (A - 4I)u = 0 \Rightarrow y = 3x, \text{ let } x = 1, \text{ we get:} \tag{5}$$

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \tag{6}$$

**Q3**

Prove that  $A$  is diagonalizable.

**Solution:**

Obviously,  $A$  is a squared matrix and the eigenvalues of  $A$  are unique. So, we can say  $A$  is diagonalizable

**Q4**

Deduce from b) and c) that there exists a matrix  $B$  such as  $B^3 = A$

**Solution:**

$$B^3 = A \Rightarrow \quad (1)$$

$$B = A^{\frac{1}{3}} = CD^{\frac{1}{3}}C^{-1} \quad (2)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1.5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \left( \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{11} & \frac{3}{11} \\ \frac{-6}{11} & \frac{2}{11} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

Obviously, there exists a solution (4)

In conclusion,  $B$  exists (5)