

**Linear Algebra, Math 2101-003**  
**Homework set #7**

**1.** (2 points).

Show that the following matrix does not have real eigenvalues

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

**2.** ( 3 points). Compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the following three matrices.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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

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**3.** (2 points).

(a). For the symmetric case of Exercise 2, check that the eigenvectors are orthogonal.

(b). Let  $u_1, u_2$  be the two eigenvectors from part (a). Normalize them (so that they have norm 1). Let us call them  $v_1, v_2$ , and let  $V = [v_1, v_2]$  be a matrix that has these two vectors. (Check that  $V^T V = I$ ). Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  be the corresponding eigenvalues. Let  $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  be a diagonal matrix with the two eigenvalues in the diagonal. Check that  $AV = V\Lambda$  and therefore  $A = V\Lambda V^T$ .

**4.** (3 points).

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 43/25 & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & 57/25 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute all eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$ . Check that the eigenvalues  $\lambda$  and the eigenvectors  $v$  satisfy  $Av = \lambda v$ , and in this case, for any two different eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  with corresponding eigenvectors  $v_1, v_2$ , we have  $v_1^T v_2 = 0$ .

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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & -2 \\ 2 & 1-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (1-\lambda)^2 - (-4) = (1-\lambda)^2 + 4 = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 + 4 = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 5 = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-20}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2} \text{ are not real eigenvalues } \text{QED!}$$

②

(a)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (2-\lambda)^2 - 1 = (2-\lambda-1)(2-\lambda+1) = (1-\lambda)(3-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 1, 3$$

(i)  $\lambda = 1 \rightarrow A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 2-1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2-1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow x_1 + x_2 = 0 \therefore x_1 = -x_2$   
 $\rightarrow u = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow N(A - I) = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

(ii)  $\lambda = 3 \rightarrow A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} 2-3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2-3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow -x_1 + x_2 = 0 \therefore x_1 = x_2$   
 $\rightarrow u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow N(A - 3I) = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

(b)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 3-\lambda & 0 \\ 1 & 3-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (3-\lambda)^2 - 0 = (3-\lambda)^2 = 0 \rightarrow 3-\lambda = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = 3$$

$$A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} 3-3 & 0 \\ 1 & 3-3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow x_1 = 0 \rightarrow u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\rightarrow N(A - 3I) = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

(c)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 3-\lambda & 0 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (3-\lambda)(2-\lambda) - 0 = (3-\lambda)(2-\lambda) = 0 \therefore \lambda = 2, 3$$

$$(i) \lambda = 2 \rightarrow A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 3-2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2-2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow x_1 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow N(A - 2I) = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(ii) \lambda = 3 \rightarrow A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 3-3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2-3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow x_1 - x_2 = 0 \rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

$$\rightarrow u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow N(A - 3I) = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

③ (a) Symmetric matrix is  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  with 2 eigenvectors  $u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  &  $u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Verify:  $u_1^T u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \alpha_1 \alpha_2 (-1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1) = \alpha_1 \alpha_2 (-1 + 1) = 0$   
 $\therefore u_1^T u_2 = 0 \therefore$  Eigenvectors are orthogonal QED!

(b)  $u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  &  $u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$V = [v_1 \ v_2] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow V^T = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Verify:  $V^T V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I \therefore V^T V = I$  QED!

$$\alpha_1 = 1, \alpha_2 = 3 \rightarrow \Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Verify:  $AV = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$V\Lambda = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \therefore AV = V\Lambda \text{ QED!}$$

$$V\Lambda V^T = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = A \text{ QED!}$$

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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 43/25 & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & 57/25 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 2-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 43/25-\lambda & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & 57/25-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (2 - \lambda) \det \overset{\circ}{A}_{11} - 0 \cdot \det \overset{\circ}{A}_{12} + 0 \cdot \det \overset{\circ}{A}_{13}$$

$$= (2 - \lambda) \det \begin{bmatrix} 43/25 - \lambda & -24/25 \\ -24/25 & 57/25 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = (2 - \lambda) \left[ \left( \frac{43}{25} - \lambda \right) \left( \frac{57}{25} - \lambda \right) - \left( \frac{24}{25} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= (2 - \lambda) \left( \lambda^2 - \frac{43}{25} \lambda - \frac{57}{25} \lambda + \frac{43(57)}{25^2} - \frac{24^2}{25^2} \right) = (2 - \lambda) \left( \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + \frac{2451}{625} - \frac{576}{625} \right)$$

$$= (2 - \lambda) (\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3) = (2 - \lambda) (\lambda - 1) (\lambda - 3) = 0 \quad \therefore \lambda = 1, 2, 3$$

$$(i) \quad \lambda = 1 \rightarrow A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 2-1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 43/25-1 & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & 57/25-1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 18/25 & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & 32/25 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + \frac{4}{3} R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 18/25 & -24/25 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_1 = 0 \\ \frac{18}{25} x_2 - \frac{24}{25} x_3 = 0 \rightarrow 18x_2 = 24x_3 \\ \rightarrow x_2 = \frac{4}{3} x_3 \end{matrix}$$

$$\rightarrow v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow N(A - I) = \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Verify: } AV = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 43/25 & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & 57/25 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda v \quad \checkmark$$

$$(ii) \quad \lambda = 2 \rightarrow A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 2-2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 43/25-2 & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & 57/25-2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -7/25 & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & 7/25 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - \frac{24}{7} R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -7/25 & -24/25 \\ 0 & 0 & 25/7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} \frac{25}{7} x_3 = 0 \rightarrow x_3 = 0 \\ -\frac{7}{25} x_2 - \frac{24}{25} x_3 = 0 \rightarrow x_2 = 0 \end{matrix} \rightarrow v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$m_{32} = \frac{-a_{32}}{a_{22}} = \frac{24/25}{-7/25} = \frac{-24}{7} \rightarrow N(A - 2I) = \left\{ \alpha \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{vmatrix} \right\}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Verify: } Av = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 43/25 & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & 57/25 \end{bmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{vmatrix} = \lambda v \quad \checkmark$$

$$(iii) \lambda = 3 \rightarrow A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} 2-3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 43/25-3 & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & 57/25-3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -32/25 & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & -18/25 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - \frac{3}{4} R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -32/25 & -24/25 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} -\frac{32}{25}x_2 - \frac{24}{25}x_3 = 0 \\ \rightarrow -32x_2 = 24x_3 \\ \rightarrow x_2 = \frac{-3}{4}x_3 \end{matrix}$$

$$m_{32} = \frac{-a_{32}}{a_{22}} = \frac{24/25}{-32/25} = \frac{-3}{4} \rightarrow v = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ -3/4 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow N(A - 3I) = \left\{ \alpha \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ -3/4 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} \right\}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Verify: } Av = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 43/25 & -24/25 \\ 0 & -24/25 & 57/25 \end{bmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ -3/4 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ -9/4 \\ 3 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ -3/4 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} = \lambda v \quad \checkmark$$

$$\lambda_1 = 1, v_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 4/3 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ \& } \lambda_2 = 2, v_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow v_1^T v_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 4/3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\lambda_1 = 1, v_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 4/3 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ \& } \lambda_3 = 3, v_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ -3/4 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow v_1^T v_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 4/3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ -3/4 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\lambda_2 = 2, v_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{vmatrix} \text{ \& } \lambda_3 = 3, v_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ -3/4 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow v_2^T v_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ -3/4 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$