

WEEK 7

1. Let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

(i) Let  $k \geq 2$ . We'll prove that  $\lambda^k$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^k$ .

$\lambda$  eigenvalue of  $A \Rightarrow (\exists) u$  a non-zero vector such that  $Au = \lambda u$

$$Au = \lambda u \quad | \cdot \lambda$$

$$\lambda Au = \lambda^2 u$$

$$A(\lambda u) = \lambda^2 u$$

$$A \cdot A \cdot u = \lambda^2 u$$

$$A^2 u = \lambda^2 u$$

By using induction:

Base case:  $S(2): A^2 u = \lambda^2 u$

Inductive step:  $S(k) \Rightarrow S(k+1)$

$$A^k u = \lambda^k u \Rightarrow A^k \lambda u = \lambda^{k+1} u \Rightarrow A^{k+1} u = \lambda^{k+1} u \Rightarrow \text{OK.}$$

(ii)  $A$  is invertible.

$$A^{-1} \cdot Au = \lambda u$$

$$u = A^{-1} \lambda u \quad | : \lambda$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} u = A^{-1} u \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda} \text{ is an eigenvalue of } A^{-1}$$

(iii)  $(\forall) \alpha$  scalar,  $\lambda + \alpha$  is an eigenvalue of  $A + \alpha I$

$$(A + \alpha I)u = (\lambda + \alpha)u$$

$$Au + \alpha I u = \lambda u + \alpha u$$

$$Au = \lambda u \quad \text{OK.}$$

2.  $B = A^T A$

$$(a) B = A^T A \Rightarrow B^T = (A^T A)^T = A^T (A^T)^T = A^T A \Rightarrow B^T = B$$

Suppose  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are (possibly complex) eigenvalues of  $B$ . We then have

$$Bv = \lambda v \text{ and } Bw = \mu w \text{ for eigenvectors } v \text{ and } w.$$

We may then write

$$\mu v^T w = v^T (\mu w) = v^T Bw = v^T B^T w = (Bv)^T w = \lambda v^T w \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mu - \lambda) v^T w = 0$$

$$(\mu - \lambda) v \cdot w = 0$$

Now, suppose  $\lambda$  is complex. We then have

$$Bv = \lambda v, \quad B \bar{v} = \bar{\lambda} \bar{v} \Rightarrow (\bar{\lambda} - \lambda) v \cdot \bar{v} = 0 \Rightarrow (\bar{\lambda} - \lambda) \|v\|^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \bar{\lambda} = \lambda \Rightarrow \lambda \in \mathbb{R}.$$

eigenvector  $\Rightarrow$  non-zero

(b) Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  be the eigenvectors of  $B$  and  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m$  the corresponding eigenvalues.

Then, we have  $\|Av_i\|^2 = (Av_i)^T \cdot (Av_i) = v_i^T A^T A v_i = v_i^T (A^T A) v_i = v_i^T B v_i, i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$

$v_i$  eigenvector  $\Rightarrow Bv_i = \lambda_i v_i \Rightarrow \|Av_i\|^2 = v_i^T \lambda_i v_i = \lambda_i \|v_i\|^2 \Rightarrow \lambda_i = \frac{\|Av_i\|^2}{\|v_i\|^2} \geq 0 \Rightarrow$   
 $\Rightarrow \lambda_i \geq 0 \Rightarrow$  all eigenvalues are non-negative.

3.  $B = A^T A$ , where  $A$  is non-singular

(a) Then, from 2.b) we know that all eigenvalues of  $B$  are non-negative  $\Rightarrow \lambda_i \geq 0 (\forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\})$ .

Let's suppose there is an eigenvalue which is 0.  $\Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow Av_i = 0v_i \Rightarrow Av_i = 0 \Rightarrow A^{-1}Av_i = 0 \Rightarrow v_i = 0$  (but the eigenvectors are non-zero). So, all  $\lambda_i > 0$ .

(b) We know that there exist  $D, P$  matrices such that

$D = P^T B P$ , where  $D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $P^T P = I$ ,  $P = (v_1 v_2 \dots v_n)$ , where  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  are the orthogonal eigenvectors of  $B$ .  $\Rightarrow \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Let  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow v = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i v_i$ .

$$\|v\|^2 = v^T \cdot v = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i v_i^T \cdot \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j v_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2 \quad (v_i \cdot v_j = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j)$$

$$v^T B v = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i v_i^T \cdot \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j B v_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i v_i^T \cdot \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \lambda_j v_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2 \lambda_i \|v_i\|^2$$

Now, we want to prove that:

$$\lambda_{\min} \|v\|^2 \leq v^T B v \leq \lambda_{\max} \|v\|^2$$

$$\lambda_{\min} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2 \|v_i\|^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \alpha_i^2 \|v_i\|^2 \leq \lambda_{\max} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2 \|v_i\|^2$$

$\Rightarrow$  this is true

As  $\lambda_{\min} \leq \lambda_i \leq \lambda_{\max}$  for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } w^T B w &= \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \alpha_i^2 \|v_i\|^2 \text{ where } w = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i v_i \\ \|w\|^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2 \|v_i\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad \left| \Rightarrow \lambda_{\max} \|w\|^2 - w^T B w = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2 (\lambda_{\max} - \lambda_i) \|v_i\|^2 \right.$$

As  $\lambda_{\max} - \lambda_i \geq 0$  (there can be values which are  $> 0$ ), therefore  $\alpha_i = 0 (\forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \setminus \{j\})$ ,

where  $j$  is the value where  $\lambda_j = \lambda_{\max} \Rightarrow \boxed{w = c v_{\max}}$ , where  $c$  is a constant and  $v_{\max}$  is the corresponding eigenvector for  $\lambda_{\max}$ .  
 The same thing applies for  $\boxed{y = d v_{\min}}$ .

$$4. (a) A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\lambda \end{pmatrix} = (2-\lambda)\lambda^2 - (2-\lambda) = (2-\lambda)(\lambda^2-1) = (1-\lambda)(1+\lambda)(2-\lambda) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -1, \lambda_3 = 2$$

$$Av_1 = \lambda_1 v_1 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 2p+q+2r=p \\ r=q \\ q=r \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} p+q+2r=0 \\ p+q+2q=0 \Rightarrow p=-3q \Rightarrow \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 = q \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{We take } v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Av_2 = \lambda_2 v_2 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -p \\ -q \\ -r \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 2p+q+2r=-p \\ r=-q \\ q=-r \end{array} \Rightarrow 3p=q \Rightarrow p=\frac{1}{3}q \Rightarrow v_2 = q \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{we}$$

$$\text{take } v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Av_3 = \lambda_3 v_3 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2p \\ 2q \\ 2r \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 2p+q+2r=2p \\ r=2q \\ q=2r \end{array} \Rightarrow q=r=0 \Rightarrow v_3 = p \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{we take}$$

$$v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Then, } S = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & \frac{1}{3} & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } S^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & \frac{4}{3} & \frac{5}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } D = S^{-1}AS$$

$$(b) A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3-\lambda & 0 \\ -1 & 4-\lambda & -1-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(3-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) + (-1-\lambda) = 0$$

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

$$(1+\lambda)(\lambda^2-4\lambda+4) = 0$$

$$(1+\lambda)(\lambda-2)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 2$$

$$Av_1 = \lambda_1 v_1 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -p \\ -q \\ -r \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} p+q=-p \\ -p+3q=-q \\ -p+4q-r=-r \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 2p+q=0 \\ -p+4q=0 \\ -p+4q=0 \end{array} \Rightarrow p=0, q=0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 = r \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{we take } v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Av_2 = \lambda_2 v_2 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2p \\ 2q \\ 2r \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} p+q=2p \\ -p+3q=2q \\ -p+4q-r=2r \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} q=p \\ q=p \\ 3r=-p+4q \end{array} \Rightarrow p=q=r \Rightarrow \text{we}$$

only get one vector,  $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , so we can't create  $D$  such that  $D = S^{-1}AS$ , where  $D$  is diagonal.



$$(c) A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^3 - 6\lambda^2 + 9\lambda - 4 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 1)^2(\lambda - 4) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1, \lambda_3 = 4$$

$$Av_1 = \lambda_1 v_1 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2p+q+r=p \\ p+2q+r=q \\ p+q+2r=r \end{cases} \Rightarrow p+q+r=0 \Rightarrow \text{we choose two independent vectors}$$

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Av_3 = \lambda_3 v_3 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4p \\ 4q \\ 4r \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2p+q+r=4p \\ p+2q+r=4q \\ p+q+2r=4r \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} q+r=-2p \\ p+r=-2q \\ p+q=-2r \end{cases} \Rightarrow p=q=r \Rightarrow \text{we choose } v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then, } S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow S^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } D = S^{-1}AS.$$

$$5. A = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & -\frac{3}{4} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(a) \frac{1}{16} \det \begin{pmatrix} -3-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -3-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda+3)^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + 6\lambda + 8 = 0$$

$$(\lambda+2)(\lambda+4) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -2, \lambda_2 = -4$$

$$Av_1 = \lambda_1 v_1 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow -x+y=0 \Rightarrow v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Av_2 = \lambda_2 v_2 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow x+y=0 \Rightarrow v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow P^T = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow P \cdot P^T = I$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ with } D = P^T A P \Rightarrow A = P D P^T = P D P^{-1}$$

$$(b) A^n = (P D P^T)^n = P D^n P^T = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (-\frac{1}{2})^n & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (-\frac{1}{2})^n & (-1)^n \\ (-\frac{1}{2})^n & (-1)^{n+1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{(-1)^n}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2^n} & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2^n} & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{(-1)^n}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2^n} + 1 & \frac{1}{2^n} - 1 \\ \frac{1}{2^n} - 1 & \frac{1}{2^n} + 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) As  $n$  goes to infinity, we have:

$$n \text{ odd} \Rightarrow A^n \rightarrow \frac{-1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$n \text{ even} \Rightarrow A^n \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

(d) Let  $\lambda$  be the eigenvalue with the smallest modulus.  $u$  is the corresponding eigenvector.

$$\text{Then } \lambda = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow u = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A^n u &= \alpha \frac{(-1)^n}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2^n} + 1 & \frac{1}{2^n} - 1 \\ \frac{1}{2^n} - 1 & \frac{1}{2^n} + 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \frac{(-1)^n}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2^n} + 1 + \frac{1}{2^n} - 1 \\ \frac{1}{2^n} - 1 + \frac{1}{2^n} + 1 \end{pmatrix} = \\ &= \alpha \frac{(-1)^n}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \\ \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha \cdot 0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

$$(e) \frac{dy_1}{dt} = -\frac{3}{4} y_1 + \frac{1}{4} y_2$$

$$\frac{dy_2}{dt} = \frac{1}{4} y_1 - \frac{3}{4} y_2$$

Writing this in matrix form:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad ; \quad A = P \Delta P^T$$

We may then write the system of differential equations as:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = P \Delta P^T y$$

As the entries of  $P$  are constant this may be written

$$\frac{d}{dt} (P^T y) = (\Delta P^T) y$$

Setting  $z = P^T y$ , we obtain

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \Delta z$$

which may be written

$$\frac{dz_1}{dt} = z_1, \quad \frac{dz_2}{dt} = -z_2$$

We then have, for arbitrary constants  $A, B$ :

$$z_1 = A e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}, \quad z_2 = B e^{-t}$$

Finally,

$$y = P z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \\ B e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} A e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} B e^{-t} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} A e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} B e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$