

Linear Algebra II Recitation 6

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1. For $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix}$, prove $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$.
2. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$. In the following, we always identify a vector $\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$ with the point (u, v) on the coordinate plane.
 - (1) Let $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$. Prove that $A\mathbf{x}$ is the point obtained by rotating \mathbf{x} by the angle θ around the origin.
(Hint: calculate the product $A\mathbf{x}$ using the polar coordinate expression $x = r \cos \phi$, $y = r \sin \phi$.)
 - (2) Using (1), find the point obtained by rotating $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ by the angle $\frac{\pi}{3}$ around the origin.
3. For the following matrices, make $Q^{-1}AQ$ a diagonal matrix with some orthogonal matrix Q . Write out both $Q^{-1}AQ$ and Q .
 - (1) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$
 - (2) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & \sqrt{3} \\ \sqrt{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
4. Find the characteristic polynomial and eigenvalues of the following matrices. Find the eigenvectors associated with each of the eigenvalues.
 - (1) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$
 - (2) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -4 & -2 \\ 6 & -5 & -2 \\ 3 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Here, as in the case of 2×2 matrices, the characteristic polynomial of a 3×3 matrix A is defined by

$$\chi_A(\lambda) = \det(\lambda I - A), \quad \text{where } I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

An eigenvalue of A is a solution of $\chi_A(\lambda) = 0$. An eigenvector of A associated with an eigenvalue λ is a non-zero vector $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ which satisfies $A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$.

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1. Omitted.

2. (1) Omitted.

(2) $\left(\frac{1-2\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$

3. (1) $Q^{-1}AQ = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$ where $Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} & \frac{-3}{\sqrt{13}} \end{bmatrix}$.

(2) $Q^{-1}AQ = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ where $Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$.

4. (1) $\chi_A(\lambda) = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 4)$.
Eigenvalues: $\lambda = 1, 2$ and 4 .

Eigenvectors associated with $\lambda = 1$: $k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ($k \neq 0$).

Eigenvectors associated with $\lambda = 2$: $k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ($k \neq 0$).

Eigenvectors associated with $\lambda = 4$: $k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ($k \neq 0$).

(2) $\chi_A(\lambda) = \lambda^3 - 2\lambda^2 - \lambda + 2$.
Eigenvalues: $\lambda = -1, 1$ and 2 .

Eigenvectors associated with $\lambda = -1$: $k \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ($k \neq 0$).

Eigenvectors associated with $\lambda = 1$: $k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ($k \neq 0$).

Eigenvectors associated with $\lambda = 2$: $k \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ($k \neq 0$).