

Elementary Linear Algebra - MATH 2250 - Day 21

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1. ☐ T ☒ F If λ is an eigenvalue of A and μ is an eigenvalue of B then $\lambda + \mu$ is an eigenvalue of $A + B$. Explain.

2. ☒ F ☐ T If λ is an eigenvalue of A and μ is an eigenvalue of B then with the same eigenvector x , then $\lambda + \mu$ is an eigenvalue of $A + B$. Explain.

$$Ax = \lambda x, Bx = \mu x$$

$$(A+B)x = Ax + Bx = \lambda x + \mu x = (\lambda + \mu)x$$

3. Let $x = (2, 3, 1)$ be an eigenvector of A corresponding to the eigenvalue 3. Evaluate Ax . $Ax = 3(2, 3, 1) = (6, 9, 3)$
4. The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra asserts that any polynomial of degree n has exactly n (complex) roots. How many eigenvalues does an $n \times n$ matrix have? Why?

n e-val's. Because the characteristic polynomial of an $n \times n$ matrix is a polynomial of degree n , and its roots are the e-val's of the matrix.

5. If A is singular then one of its eigenvalues is 0.

6. If P is a nonzero projection matrix in \mathbb{R}^3 , then two of its eigenvalues are 1, and 0.

7. If λ is an eigenvalue of A , then $A - \lambda I$ is a(n) singular matrix.

8. What is the sum of the eigenvalues of the $n \times n$ identity matrix? n

9. What is the sum of the eigenvalues of $A = \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_n)$? $d_1 + d_2 + \dots + d_n$

10. Let's find (guess?) all the eigenvalues of $A = \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_n)$. Let e_i be the vector with a 1 in its i -th position and 0's elsewhere, e.g. $e_1 = (1, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$ etc. What is Ae_i , for each i ?

$$Ae_i = d_i e_i \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & d_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{i\text{-th}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ d_i \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{i\text{-th}}$$

11. What is the trace (the sum of the eigenvalues) of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$? $1+2+6=9$

12. If λ is an eigenvalue of A , then $A - \lambda I$ is a(n) singular matrix.

13. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$. What is the characteristic equation of A ?

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a-\lambda & b \\ c & d-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0 \rightarrow (a-\lambda)(d-\lambda) - bc = 0 \rightarrow \lambda^2 - (a+d)\lambda + (ad-bc) = 0$$

$$\left(\rightarrow \lambda^2 - \text{tr}(A)\lambda + \det(A) = 0 \right)$$

14. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$. What is the characteristic equation of A ? What are all the eigenvalues of A ? $\lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 4 = 0$

15. Let \mathbf{x} be an eigenvector of A for an eigenvalue λ . Is $2\mathbf{x}$ an eigenvector of A ? For what eigenvalue?

Yes, $A(2\mathbf{x}) = 2(A\mathbf{x}) = 2(\lambda\mathbf{x}) = \lambda(2\mathbf{x})$, for the same e-value λ .

What are all the eigenvectors of A for the eigenvalue λ ? (Agreement: we do not consider the zero vector, and eigenvalue for any eigenvalue, not even for the zero eigenvalue!)

$c\mathbf{x}$, for $c \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$

16. Find a matrix with eigenvalues 1, 2, 3, and 4.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 2 & & \\ & & 3 & \\ 0 & & & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

17. Let A be a matrix with an eigenvalue λ and the corresponding eigenvector \mathbf{x} . Let $B = 2A$, and evaluate $B\mathbf{x}$.

$$B\mathbf{x} = 2(A\mathbf{x}) = 2(\lambda\mathbf{x}) = (2\lambda)\mathbf{x}$$

What can you tell about the eigenvalue of B in terms of the eigenvalues of A ?

e-val's of B are 2 times e-val's of A .

18. Find an eigenvector for each of the eigenvalues of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$.

19. Let A be as in problem 14, and let $B = A + 2I$. What are the eigenvalues of B ?

... (Do calculations) ... \Rightarrow (e-values of B) = (e-values of A) + 2

Find an eigenvector for each of the eigenvalues of B .

$$Ax = \lambda x \Rightarrow Bx = (A + 2I)x = Ax + 2Ix = \lambda x + 2x = (\lambda + 2)x$$

same as e-vectors of A .

What relations hold between the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A and B ?

20. Find all the eigenvalues and their corresponding eigenvectors of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. (refer to problem 10)

e-vec: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
 e-val: $1 \quad 1$

21. Find all the eigenvalues and their corresponding eigenvectors of $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Do eigenvectors of the matrix from problem 20 work?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{not an e-vector}$$

e-values of $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ are roots of $\lambda^2 - 1 \rightarrow \pm 1$

$$\text{e-vectors: } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} +1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

22. We are not going to prove this, but it is good to remember that

- (a) the eigenvalues of any symmetric matrix are real numbers, and
- (b) the eigenvalues of any skew-symmetric matrix are purely imaginary numbers.