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Quiz 4 - MAT345

**Question 1** (20 points; 4 points each). No justification required for the this quiz, just the T/F responses.

(a) False If all eigenvalues of  $A$  are 0, then  $A = 0$ .

(b) False All  $n \times n$  matrices are diagonalizable.

(c) True If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices and each are diagonalizable using the same set of eigenvectors, that is,  $A = S\Lambda_A S^{-1}$  and  $B = S\Lambda_B S^{-1}$  (**same**  $S$ ), then  $A$  and  $B$  commute, i.e.,  $AB = BA$ .

(d) True If  $p(x)$  is a polynomial and  $A = S^{-1}DS$  where  $D = \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_n)$ , then

$$p(A) = S^{-1} \text{diag}(p(d_1), \dots, p(d_n))S$$

Here

$$\text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_n) = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & d_n \end{bmatrix}$$

(e) True If  $A$  is upper-triangular, then the eigenvalues of  $A$  are exactly the diagonal elements of  $A$ .

**Question 2** (10 points). Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5/4 & -3/4 \\ -3/4 & 5/4 \end{bmatrix}$ . Diagonalize  $A$ , i.e. write  $A = S\Lambda S^{-1}$  where  $\Lambda$  is the diagonal matrix of eigenvalues for  $A$ .

Find the eigenvalues:  $\det(A - tI) = (5/4 - t)^2 - (3/4)^2 = (5/4 - t - 3/4)(5/4 - t + 3/4) = (1/2 - t)(2 - t)$  so  $\lambda_1 = 2 > \lambda_2 = 1/2$  and

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the eigenspace for  $\lambda_1$ :

$$\text{NS} \left( \begin{bmatrix} -3/4 & -3/4 \\ -3/4 & -3/4 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \text{NS} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

So a basis is given by  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Similarly a basis for the eigenspace of  $\lambda_2$  is  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}; \quad S^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5/4 & -3/4 \\ -3/4 & 5/4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} = S\Lambda S^{-1}$$

**Question 3** (10 points). Suppose the matrix  $A$  from Question 2 is used to transform points in the plane iteratively. What is  $A^n \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ ?

**Bonus (5 points)** What is  $A^n \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ ?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = (-1) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + (4) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So

$$A^n \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)A^n \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + (4)A^n \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)2^n \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + (4)(1/2)^n \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2^n + 4/2^n \\ 2^n + 4/2^n \end{bmatrix}$$

**Bonus**

$$\left[ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \right]_{\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}} = A^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (a-b)/2 \\ (a+b)/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

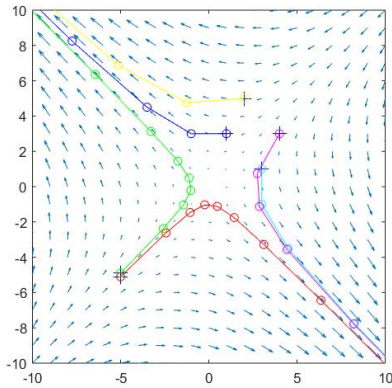
So

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \frac{a-b}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{a+b}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and so

$$A^n \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \left( \frac{a-b}{2} \right) \cdot 2^n \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \left( \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \cdot 2^{-n} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (a-b)2^{n-1} + (a+b)2^{-(n+1)} \\ (b-a)2^{n-1} + (a+b)2^{-(n+1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

This is all I expected. For a visual, here is an image of a few points traced out by this action and the code that generated the image.



Here is the code that generated the image, just for fun. ([download code](#))

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1 clear;
2 close all;
3 clc;
4
5 A = 1/4*[5 -3; -3 5];
6 x = -10:1:10;
7 y = x;
8 [X,Y] = meshgrid(x,y);
9 Z = A*[X(:)'; Y(:)'];
10 u = Z(1,:);
11 v = Z(2,:);
12 fig = figure();
13 quiver(X(:)',Y(:)',u-X(:)',v-Y(:)')
14 axis([-10 10 -10 10]);
15 daspect([1 1 1]);
16 hold on;
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18
19 x = [ -5 -5 1 3 2 4];
20 y = [-5.1 -4.9 3 1 5 3];
21
22 plot(x,y,"b+", 'MarkerSize',10);
23
24 [M N] = size(x);
25
26 for i = 1:N
27     p(:, :, i) = [x(i);y(i)];

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28 end
29
30 colors =["red ","green ","blue ","cyan ","yellow ","magenta "]
31
32 for i=2:10
33     for j=1:N
34         R(:, :, j) = A*p(:, i-1, j);
35     end
36     p = cat(2, p, R);
37     for k=1:N
38         plot(p(1, i-1:i, k), p(2, i-1:i, k), 'Color ', colors(k), ...
39             'Marker ', 'o');
40     end
41     drawnow;
42     pause(.5);
43 end

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