

Introduction to Quantum Computing

Assignment 0

1) For the three subparts (a), (b), (c) of this question, let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{Eigenvalues: } |A - \lambda I| = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 5)(\lambda - 2) - 12 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 7\lambda - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Roots: } \lambda_1 = \frac{7 + \sqrt{57}}{2}, \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{7 - \sqrt{57}}{2}$$

Corresponding
Eigen-
vectors:

2 distinct eigen-values
⇒ diagonalizable
(not necessarily,
orthogonally diagonalizable)

$$A - \lambda_1 I = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3 - \sqrt{57}}{2} & 4 \\ 3 & -\frac{3 + \sqrt{57}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 + \sqrt{57} \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}}}$$

$$A - \lambda_2 I = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3 + \sqrt{57}}{2} & 4 \\ 3 & -\frac{3 - \sqrt{57}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 - \sqrt{57} \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}}}$$

v_1 and v_2 form
a basis of \mathbb{R}^2 .

We will first do part (b).

(b) $A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & A \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ [using block matrices]

Let $v \in \mathbb{R}^4$ be $v = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 \\ \beta_1 v_1 + \beta_2 v_2 \end{bmatrix}$ first two elements
last two elements

If λ is an eigen-value of A_2 , $A_2 v = \lambda v$ has a non-zero solution v .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & A \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 \\ \beta_1 v_1 + \beta_2 v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 A v_1 + \beta_2 A v_2 \\ \alpha_1 A v_1 + \alpha_2 A v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \lambda_1 v_1 + \beta_2 \lambda_2 v_2 \\ \alpha_1 \lambda_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 \lambda_2 v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \lambda (\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2) \\ \lambda (\beta_1 v_1 + \beta_2 v_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

Since v_1 and v_2 are linearly independent,

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \lambda \alpha_1 = \beta_1 \lambda_1, \quad \lambda \beta_1 = \alpha_1 \lambda_1 \\ \lambda \alpha_2 = \beta_2 \lambda_2, \quad \lambda \beta_2 = \alpha_2 \lambda_2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \beta_1^2 \lambda_1 = \lambda \beta_1 \alpha_1 = \lambda_1 \alpha_1^2 \Rightarrow \alpha_1^2 = \beta_1^2$$

Similarly, $\alpha_2^2 = \beta_2^2$

Case (i): $\alpha_1 = \beta_1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \lambda_1, \alpha_2 = \beta_2 = 0$

Case (ii): $\alpha_2 = \beta_2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \lambda_2, \alpha_1 = \beta_1 = 0$

Case (iii): $\alpha_1 = -\beta_1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -\lambda_1, \alpha_2 = \beta_2 = 0$

Case (iv): $\alpha_2 = -\beta_2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -\lambda_2, \alpha_1 = \beta_1 = 0$

[$\alpha_1 = \beta_1 = \alpha_2 = \beta_2 = 0$ is not an option, since v is non-zero.]

\therefore The four eigenvalues of A_2 are $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, -\lambda_1, -\lambda_2$

with corresponding eigenvectors $\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_2 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ -v_1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_2 \\ -v_2 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) The matrix A_1 is similar to A_2 , since

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= P A_2 P^{-1} \quad [\text{Here, } P^{-1} = P]$$

\therefore The eigenvalues of A_1 are same as that of A_2 , with the corresponding eigenvectors being those of A_2 , pre-multiplied by P (i.e., 2nd and 3rd elements interchanged.)

(c) $A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 20 & 20 & 16 \\ 15 & 10 & 12 & 8 \\ 15 & 12 & 10 & 8 \\ 9 & 6 & 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5A & 4A \\ 3A & 2A \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \otimes A$

$$= A \otimes A$$

(Kronecker product/
tensor product of
operators)

Considering all tensor products as Kronecker products,

let $v \in \mathbb{R}^2$ be $v = u_1 \otimes v_1 + u_2 \otimes v_2$, where $u_1, u_2 \in \mathbb{R}^2$

If λ is an eigenvalue of A_3 ,

$A_3 v = \lambda v$ has a non-zero solution.

$v_1, v_2 \rightarrow$ eigenvectors
of A
(in page 1)

$$A_3 v = \lambda v \Rightarrow (A \otimes A)(u_1 \otimes v_1 + u_2 \otimes v_2) = \lambda (u_1 \otimes v_1 + u_2 \otimes v_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (Au_1) \otimes (Av_1) + (Au_2) \otimes (Av_2) = (\lambda u_1) \otimes v_1 + (\lambda u_2) \otimes v_2$$

$$\Rightarrow (Au_1) \otimes (\lambda_1 v_1) + (Au_2) \otimes (\lambda_2 v_2) = (\lambda u_1) \otimes v_1 + (\lambda u_2) \otimes v_2$$

$$\Rightarrow [\lambda_1 Au_1 - \lambda u_1] \otimes v_1 + [\lambda_2 Au_2 - \lambda u_2] \otimes v_2 = 0$$

Since v_1 and v_2 are linearly independent,

$$(\lambda_1 A - \lambda I) u_1 = 0, \quad (\lambda_2 A - \lambda I) u_2 = 0$$

Case (i): $u_1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\lambda}{\lambda_1} \in \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Set of} \\ \text{Eigenvalues} \\ \text{of } A \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \lambda = \lambda_1^2, \lambda_1 \lambda_2$

$$u_1 = k \text{ (corresponding eigenvector of } A)$$

Case (ii): $u_2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\lambda}{\lambda_2} \in \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Set of} \\ \text{Eigenvalues} \\ \text{of } A \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \lambda = \lambda_1 \lambda_2, \lambda_2^2$

$$u_2 = k \text{ (corresponding eigenvector of } A)$$

$u_1 = u_2 = 0$ is not valid since $v = u_1 \otimes v_1 + u_2 \otimes v_2$ is non-zero.

\therefore The eigenvalues of A_3 are $\lambda_1^2, \lambda_2^2, \lambda_1 \lambda_2, \lambda_1 \lambda_2$ with corresponding eigenvectors $v_1 \otimes v_1, v_2 \otimes v_2, v_1 \otimes v_2$ and $v_2 \otimes v_1$, multiplicity = 2

where $\lambda_1 = \frac{7 + \sqrt{57}}{2}, \lambda_2 = \frac{7 - \sqrt{57}}{2}$ and v_1 and v_2 are corresponding eigenvectors.

This method using Kronecker products can be used for the previous two subparts to get the same answers.

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

2) O is an orthogonally diagonalizable operator with eigenvalues ± 1 .

$$\Rightarrow P_{+1} - P_{-1} = O \quad [\because \sum_{\lambda} \lambda P_{\lambda} = O]$$

$$\text{and } P_{+1} + P_{-1} = I \quad [\because \sum_{\lambda} P_{\lambda} = I]$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{P_{+1} = \frac{I+O}{2}}, \quad \underline{P_{-1} = \frac{I-O}{2}}$$

3) Given, $\|Ax\| = \|x\| \quad \forall x \in V$

$$\Rightarrow \langle Ax | Ax \rangle = \langle x | x \rangle \quad \forall x \in V$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle A^{\dagger}A x | x \rangle = \langle x | x \rangle \quad \forall x \in V$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\langle (A^{\dagger}A - I)x | x \rangle = 0} \quad \forall x \in V$$

$B = (A^{\dagger}A - I)$ is Hermitian $[\because B^{\dagger} = A^{\dagger}A - I = B]$

$\Rightarrow B$ is unitarily diagonalizable, by Spectral Theorem for Hermitian matrices.

For each eigenvalue λ and eigenvector v of B ,

$$0 = \langle Bv | v \rangle = \langle \lambda v | v \rangle = \bar{\lambda} \|v\|^2 \Rightarrow \underline{\lambda = 0}$$

\therefore All the eigenvalues are zero, and so,

$$\underline{B = P^{-1}OP = 0} \quad (\text{null matrix})$$

$[\because \|v\| > 0]$
for v to be an eigenvector

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \cdot B \text{ is Hermitian.} \\ \cdot \langle Bv | v \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \in V \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \underline{B = 0}$$

$\therefore A^{\dagger}A = I$, Hence, A is a unitary matrix.

Altter (using hint):

$$\text{Given, } \|Ax\| = \|x\| \quad \forall x \in V$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle A(x+y) | A(x+y) \rangle = \langle x+y | x+y \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle Ax | Ax \rangle + \langle Ay | Ay \rangle + \langle Ax | Ay \rangle + \langle Ay | Ax \rangle = \langle x | x \rangle + \langle y | y \rangle + \langle x | y \rangle + \langle y | x \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\langle Ax | Ay \rangle + \overline{\langle Ax | Ay \rangle}} = \langle x | y \rangle + \overline{\langle x | y \rangle} \quad \forall x, y \in V$$

Replacing x with ix , and cancelling i on both sides,

$$\langle Ax | Ay \rangle - \overline{\langle Ax | Ay \rangle} = \langle x | y \rangle - \overline{\langle x | y \rangle} \quad \forall x, y \in V$$

Adding both equations,

$$\underline{\underline{\langle Ax | Ay \rangle = \langle x | y \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in V}}$$

Hence, $\langle A^\dagger A x | y \rangle = \langle x | y \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in V$

$$\Rightarrow \langle (A^\dagger A - I)x | y \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (A^\dagger A - I)x = 0 \quad \forall x \in V$$

$$\Rightarrow A^\dagger A = I$$

$\Rightarrow A$ is unitary.