

## ChE641 Mathematical Methods in Chemical Engineering

### Assignment 5 Linear Algebra

Due Date: 09 November 2020

1. Use the Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization procedure to obtain three orthonormal vectors  $\mathbf{x}_i$  from  $[2, 1, 1]^T$ ,  $[1, 2, 1]^T$  and  $[1, 1, 2]^T$ . Verify that their inner products satisfy orthonormality after orthonormalization, i.e.  $\mathbf{x}_i^\dagger \mathbf{x}_j = \delta_{ij}$ .

Show by direct summation that

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^\dagger = \mathbf{I}$$

2. Consider the set  $[2, 1, 1]^T$ ,  $[1, 2, 1]^T$  and  $[1, 1, 2]^T$ . Show that this set of vectors is linearly independent, but not orthogonal. Form the reciprocal basis  $\mathbf{z}_i$  from this set of vectors using the inverse of  $\mathbf{X}$  which contains  $\mathbf{x}_i$  as its column vectors. Show that  $\mathbf{x}_i^\dagger \mathbf{z}_j = \mathbf{z}_i^\dagger \mathbf{x}_j = \delta_{ij}$ . Further show that

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{z}_i^\dagger = \mathbf{I}$$

3. Find the eigenvalues, eigenvectors, and reciprocal eigenvectors of matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Verify that the reciprocal vectors  $\mathbf{z}_i$  are the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}^\dagger$ , the adjoint of  $\mathbf{A}$ . Also show by direct calculation that the spectral resolution of  $\mathbf{A}$  is valid:

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 \lambda_i \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{z}_i^\dagger = \mathbf{A}$$

4. Use the spectral resolution theorem to prove the Cayley-Hamilton theorem for perfect matrices, which states that a perfect matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  obeys its characteristic equation.
5. Given the nonsingular matrix  $\mathbf{S}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 11 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Find  $\mathbf{S}^{-1}$ .
- (b) Calculate the matrix  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S}$ , where  $\mathbf{A}$  is defined in the previous problem 3.
- (c) Compute the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{B}$ . Are these the same as the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$ ?
- (d) Find the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{B}$ . Are these the same as eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$ ?

6. Compute  $\exp[t\mathbf{A}]$  for the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

7. Using the spectral resolution theorem, find  $\exp[\mathbf{A}t]$  for the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

8. Solve the following system of ODEs by the method of eigenvalues and eigenvectors:

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = 2x_1 + x_2$$

$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} = -4x_1 - 3x_2$$

with the initial condition  $x_1 = 1$  and  $x_2 = 2$  at  $t = 0$ .