

Numerical Linear Algebra - Assignment 4

7) a)

True. The proof is as follows:

Let λ be an eigenvalue of \underline{A} . We hence know there exists an \underline{x} s.t.

$$\underline{A}\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}$$

We want to show that $(\underline{A} - \mu \underline{I})\underline{x} = (\lambda - \mu)\underline{x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= (\underline{A} - \mu \underline{I})\underline{x} = \underline{A}\underline{x} - \mu \underline{I}\underline{x} && [\text{Opening the bracket}] \\ &= \underline{A}\underline{x} - \mu \underline{x} && [\underline{I}\underline{x} = \underline{x}] \\ &= \lambda \underline{x} - \mu \underline{x} && [\underline{A}\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}] \\ &= (\lambda - \mu)\underline{x} && [\text{Factorise w.r.t. } \underline{x}] \end{aligned}$$

Hence proven, L.H.S. = R.H.S.

7) b)

False. The counter-example is as follows:

Consider a 2×2 matrix $\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Let us calculate the eigen values of \underline{A} :

$$|\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I}| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(1-\lambda)(2-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 1, 2$$

If the statement is true, $\lambda = -1$ & $\lambda = -2$ must also be an eigenvalue. However, we just calculated both eigenvalues of A and neither -1 nor -2 belong to the calculated values. Hence neither -1 nor -2 can be eigenvalues of A . This itself proves the statement to be false.

7) c)

True. The proof is as follows:

Let A be a real matrix, and λ be its complex-valued eigenvalue.

$$\text{Then, } \underline{A} \underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}$$

$$\overline{(\underline{A} \underline{x})} = \overline{(\lambda \underline{x})} \quad [\text{Take conjugate of both sides}]$$

$$\underline{\bar{A}} \underline{\bar{x}} = \bar{\lambda} \underline{\bar{x}} \quad [\text{Property of conjugate: } \overline{(MN)} = \bar{M} \cdot \bar{N}]$$

$$\underline{A} \underline{\bar{x}} = \lambda^* \underline{\bar{x}} \quad [\bar{A} = A \text{ because } A \text{ is a real matrix}]$$

Because \underline{x} is an eigenvector $\underline{x} \neq \underline{0}$. Therefore $\underline{\bar{x}}$ also cannot be zero vector.

Hence proven, if λ is an eigenvalue of A , λ^* will also be an eigenvalue of A .

7) d)

True. The proof is as follows:

We need to first prove that $\lambda^{-1} = 1/\lambda$ exists. For this, λ cannot be equal to 0.

We know that $\lambda \neq 0$. This is because A is non-singular, i.e. full rank. We also know that no. of non-zero eigenvalues of $A = \text{rank of } A$.

Another way to prove it is as follows: (Proof by contradiction)

$$\text{Let } \underline{A} \underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}, \text{ then}$$

$$\det(\underline{A} - \lambda \underline{I}) = 0$$

Let us prove $\lambda = 0$:

$$\det(\underline{\underline{A}} - 0 \cdot \underline{\underline{I}}) = 0$$

$\det(\underline{\underline{A}}) = 0 \Rightarrow$ We know this cannot be true because $\underline{\underline{A}}$ is given to be non-singular.

Let λ be the eigen value of $\underline{\underline{A}}$. Then:

$$\underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{x}} = \lambda \underline{\underline{x}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{A}}^{-1} \underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{x}} = \underline{\underline{A}}^{-1} \lambda \underline{\underline{x}} \quad [\text{Left-multiply both sides by } \underline{\underline{A}}^{-1}]$$

$$\underline{\underline{x}} = \lambda \underline{\underline{A}}^{-1} \underline{\underline{x}} \quad [\underline{\underline{A}}^{-1} \cdot \underline{\underline{A}} = \underline{\underline{I}} \text{ and } \underline{\underline{I}} \underline{\underline{x}} = \underline{\underline{x}}]$$

$$\underline{\underline{A}}^{-1} \underline{\underline{x}} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \underline{\underline{x}} \quad [\text{Divide both sides by } \lambda]$$

$$\underline{\underline{A}}^{-1} \underline{\underline{x}} = \lambda^{-1} \underline{\underline{x}}$$

Hence proven, λ^{-1} is the eigen value of $\underline{\underline{A}}^{-1}$, as long as λ is an eigen value of $\underline{\underline{A}}$ and $\underline{\underline{A}}$ is non-singular.

7) c)

False. Counter-example is as follows:

$$\text{Let } \underline{\underline{A}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The eigen values of $\underline{\underline{A}}$ are 0, 0, whereas not all entries of $\underline{\underline{A}}$ are 0.

$$|\underline{\underline{A}} - \lambda \underline{\underline{I}}| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} (-\lambda)^2 &= 0 \\ \lambda &= 0, 0 \end{aligned}$$

7) f)

True. The proof is as follows:

Because \underline{A} is diagonalisable, \underline{A} can be expressed as:

$$\underline{A} = \underline{P} \underline{D} \underline{P}^{-1}, \text{ where } \underline{D} \text{ is a diagonal matrix, and } \underline{P} \text{ is an invertible matrix.}$$

The diagonal entries of \underline{D} are the eigenvalues of \underline{A} . Because all eigenvalues of \underline{A} are given to be λ , we can say that:

$$\underline{D} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & & 0 \\ & \lambda & \\ 0 & & \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & 1 & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \underline{I},$$

where \underline{I} is the identity matrix.

Substituting $\underline{D} = \lambda \underline{I}$ into the original equation,

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{A} &= \underline{P} \underline{D} \underline{P}^{-1} = \underline{P} (\lambda \underline{I}) \underline{P}^{-1} & [\underline{D} = \lambda \underline{I}] \\ &= \lambda (\underline{P} \underline{I} \underline{P}^{-1}) & [\text{Re-arrange to take scalar out}] \\ &= \lambda (\underline{P} \underline{P}^{-1}) & [\underline{P} \underline{I} = \underline{P}] \\ &= \lambda \underline{I} & [\underline{P} \underline{P}^{-1} = \underline{I}] \end{aligned}$$

Hence, because $\underline{A} = \lambda \underline{I}$, and \underline{I} is diagonal, we know that \underline{A} is also diagonal.