

Problem Set I: Solutions

DRE 7017

1. $A \cdot \underline{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & a & 11 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ for all $a \Rightarrow \underline{v} \in \text{Null}(A)$ for all a .

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & a & 11 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 - 3R_1, R_3 - 2R_1} \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & a-4 & 9 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_3 + 3R_2} \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a-19 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$a \neq 19$: $\dim \text{Null}(A) = 1$ Base: $B = \{\underline{v}\}$
 $a = 19$: $\dim \text{Null}(A) = 2$ Base: $B = \{\underline{u}, \underline{v}\}$, where $\underline{u}, \underline{v}$ are given by:

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x + y + 2z + w &= 0 \\ -y - 5z - 3w &= 0 \\ \parallel \end{aligned}$$

$$y = -5z - 3w$$

$$x = -y - 2z - w = 5z + 3w - 2z - w = 3z + 2w$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = z \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + w \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\parallel \qquad \parallel$
 $\underline{u} \qquad \underline{v}$

2. For a) b) see earlier solution for eigenvalues/eigenvectors
 A is not orthogonormal diagonalizable since A is not symmetric.

c)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)^2 \cdot (4-\lambda) = 0$$

$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1, \lambda_3 = 4$

Since $\lambda = 1$ gives $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ a matrix of rank 1,

hence $\lambda = 1$ has at least mult. $2 = 3 - 1$, and $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1$ gives $\text{tr}(A) = 2 + 2 + 2 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 \Rightarrow \lambda_3 = 6 - 2 = 4$

Eigenvectors:

$$\lambda = 1: \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} x+y+z=0 \\ y, z \text{ free} \end{matrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -y-z \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = y \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + z \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\parallel \qquad \parallel$
 $\underline{v}_1 \qquad \underline{v}_2$

$$E_1 = \text{span}(\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2)$$

Orthogonal base:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{w}_1 &= \underline{v}_1, \quad \underline{w}_2 = \underline{v}_2 - \text{proj}_{\underline{w}_1} \underline{v}_2 = \underline{v}_2 - \frac{\langle \underline{v}_2, \underline{w}_1 \rangle}{\langle \underline{w}_1, \underline{w}_1 \rangle} \underline{w}_1 \\ &= (-1, 0, 1) - \frac{1}{2}(-1, 1, 0) \\ &= (-1/2, -1/2, 1) = \frac{1}{2}(-1, -1, 2) \end{aligned}$$

$\underline{w}_2$ $\nearrow$ $\underline{v}_2$
 $\searrow$ $\underline{w}_1 = \underline{v}_1$

Orthogonal base of E_1 :

$$\frac{1}{\|w_1\|} w_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-1, 1, 0), \quad \frac{1}{\|w_2\|} w_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (-1, -1, 2)$$

check: (ch)

$$\underline{w_1}' \cdot \underline{w_2}' = 0$$

$$\underline{w_1}' \cdot \underline{w_1}' = 1$$

$$\underline{w_2}' \cdot \underline{w_2}' = 1$$

$$\lambda = 4: \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 + 2R_1, R_3 - R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 + R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -x - y + 2z &= 0 \\ -3y + 3z &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$y = z, \quad x = -y + 2z = z$$

$$\Rightarrow (x, y, z) = (z, z, z)$$

$$= z \cdot (1, 1, 1)$$

$$\underline{v_3} = (1, 1, 1)$$

orthogonal base of E_4 :

$$\frac{1}{\|v_3\|} v_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (1, 1, 1)$$

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Orthogonal base of $\mathbb{R}^3$ of eigenvectors of A:

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-1, 1, 0), \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (-1, -1, 2), \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (1, 1, 1) \right\}$$

3. a) c) see earlier solution

$$b) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & a \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D_1 = 1$$

$$D_2 = 0$$

$$D_3 = 0$$

$$\text{Row 2} = 2 \cdot \text{Row 1} \Rightarrow \text{rk } A = 2$$

$$|A| = 0$$

$$\Delta_1 = 1, 4, a$$

$$\Delta_2 = 0, 4a - 4, a - 1$$

$$\Delta_3 = 0$$

(not pos. defn. since $D_2 = 0$)

$$a \geq 1: \Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta_3 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \text{positive semi-defn}$$

$$a < 1: \Delta_2 = a - 1 < 0 \Rightarrow \text{indefinite}$$

4. See earlier solution.