

## Solutions to Homework 10

1.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})=1$$

Consider the equation  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} \cdot \mathbf{x}$

$\Rightarrow$  nullity( $\mathbf{A}$ ) = number of zero eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 0$$

$$\text{Also, } \sum_{i=1}^4 \lambda_i = \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) \quad \therefore \lambda_4 = 4$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore \text{rank}(\mathbf{B})=2$$

$\Rightarrow$  Expect that  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$

$$\det(\mathbf{B} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1-\lambda & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \lambda^4 - 4\lambda^3 + 4\lambda^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2(\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0, \lambda_3 = \lambda_4 = 2$$

Another approach:

Observe that  $\mathbf{B}^2 = 2\mathbf{B}$

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

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 0, 2$$

$\therefore$  nullity( $\mathbf{B}$ )=2

$\therefore$   $\mathbf{B}$  has two zero eigenvalues

$$\therefore \sum_{i=1}^4 \lambda_i = \text{tr}(\mathbf{B})$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 0, 0, 2, 2$$

2.

Use characteristic polynomial to prove it

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) = [(\mathbf{A}^T - \lambda \mathbf{I})]^T$$

$$\Rightarrow |(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})| = |[(\mathbf{A}^T - \lambda \mathbf{I})]^T| = |(\mathbf{A}^T - \lambda \mathbf{I})| = 0$$

The characteristic polynomials of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{A}^T$  are the same ,  
so we can use them to find the same eigenvalues.

For example that the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{A}^T$  are not the same:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

They have the same eigenvalues which are  $\lambda_1 = 0$  ,  $\lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 1$  , but the eigenvectors are different.

Eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$  are  $\{[1 \ 1 \ 1]^T, [3 \ 1 \ 0]^T, [1 \ 0 \ -1]^T\}$

Eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}^T$  are

$\{[-0.3015 \ 0.9045 \ -0.3015]^T, [-0.1090 \ -0.6463 \ 0.7553]^T, [0.3736 \ -0.8155 \ 0.4420]^T\}$

3.

(a)

$\mathbf{A}$  has one zero eigenvalue

$$\therefore \text{nullity}(\mathbf{A})=1$$

$$\therefore \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})=3-1=2$$

(b)

$$\det(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) = \det(\mathbf{A}^T) \det(\mathbf{A}) = \det(\mathbf{A}^T) \cdot (-1) \cdot 0 \cdot 1 = 0$$

(c)

$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$  is 3 by 3.

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})=2$$

$\therefore$  One eigenvalue is 0. The other two are unknown.

(d)

Let  $\lambda$  be the eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^2\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}\lambda\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda^2\mathbf{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Eigenvalue of } \mathbf{A}^2 \text{ is } \lambda^2 \text{ --- (1)}$$

Let  $\lambda$  be the eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{I})\mathbf{x} = (\lambda + 1)\mathbf{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Eigenvalue of } \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{I} \text{ is } \lambda + 1 \text{ --- (2)}$$

Let  $\lambda$  be the eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\lambda\mathbf{x})$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{x} = \lambda^{-1}\mathbf{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Eigenvalue of } \mathbf{A}^{-1} \text{ is } \lambda^{-1} \text{ --- (3)}$$

Based on (1)(2)(3)

$$\Rightarrow \text{Answer} = 0.5, 1, 0.5$$

4.

(a)

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \lambda \mathbf{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}| = 0$$

We can find the eigenvalues which are  $\lambda_1 = 1$  and  $\lambda_2 = c - 0.6$

And, the eigenvectors are  $\mathbf{x}_1 = [1 - c \quad 0.6]^T$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2 = [1 \quad -1]^T$

(b)

$$\text{When } c = 1.6, \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & -0.6 \\ 0.6 & 1.6 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -0.6 & -0.6 \\ 0.6 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = [1 \quad -1]^T$$

$\therefore$  all solutions to  $(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  are multiples of  $\mathbf{x} = [1 \quad -1]^T$

(c)

$$\text{When } c = 0.8, \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.2 \\ 0.6 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \lambda_1 = 1 \text{ and } \lambda_2 = 0.2$$

We diagonalize  $\mathbf{A}$  first first

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{S}^{-1}$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{A}^n = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Lambda}^n\mathbf{S}^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{A}^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Lambda}^n\mathbf{S}^{-1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{S} \begin{bmatrix} 1^n & 0 \\ 0 & 0.2^n \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{S}^{-1} \approx \mathbf{S} \begin{bmatrix} 1^n & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{S}^{-1}$$

$[1 \quad 3]^T$  is the eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 1$

$[1 \quad -1]^T$  is the eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda_2 = 0.2$

$$\therefore \mathbf{A}^\infty = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

5.

(a)

$$\begin{bmatrix} G_{k+2} \\ G_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} G_{k+1} \\ G_k \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$  are 1, -0.5 and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{S}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{A}^n &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1^n & 0 \\ 0 & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-0.5)^n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & 1/3 \\ 2/3 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \begin{bmatrix} G_{k+2} \\ G_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{A}^n \begin{bmatrix} G_1 \\ G_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & 1/3 \\ 2/3 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

6.

Substitute  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{S}^{-1}$  into  $(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) = (\mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{S}^{-1} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) = \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{\Lambda} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{S}^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \lambda_1\mathbf{I})(\mathbf{A} - \lambda_2\mathbf{I})(\mathbf{A} - \lambda_3\mathbf{I}) \cdots (\mathbf{A} - \lambda_n\mathbf{I})$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \mathbf{S} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{S} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{S}^{-1} \cdots \mathbf{S} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{S}^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{S} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \cdots \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{S}^{-1} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Then  $p(\mathbf{A}) =$  zero matrix, which is the Cayley-Hamilton Theorem.

(If  $\mathbf{A}$  is not diagonalizable, one proof is to take a sequence of diagonalizable matrices approaching  $\mathbf{A}$ .)