

**EE5120 Linear Algebra: Tutorial 6, July-Dec 2017-18**  
Covers sec 4.2, 5.1, 5.2 of GS

1. State True or False with proper explanation:
  - (a) All vectors are eigenvectors of the Identity matrix.
  - (b) Any matrix can be diagonalized.
  - (c) Eigenvalues must be nonzero scalars.
  - (d)  $A$  and  $B$  are said to be *Similar* matrices if there exists an invertible matrix  $P$  such that  $P^{-1}AP = B$ .  $A$  and  $B$  always have the same eigenvalues.
  - (e) The sum of two eigenvectors of an operator  $\mathbf{T}$  is always an eigenvector of  $\mathbf{T}$ .
2. Let  $\mathbf{T}$  be the linear operator on  $n \times n$  real matrices defined by  $\mathbf{T}(A) = A^t$ . Show that  $\pm 1$  are the only eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{T}$ . Describe the eigenvectors corresponding to each eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{T}$ .

*Hint:* Write the Eigenvalue equation as  $T(A) = \lambda A$  and proceed.

3. Prove that the geometric multiplicity of an eigenvalue,  $\mu_A(\lambda_i)$ , can not exceed its algebraic multiplicity,  $\gamma_A(\lambda_i)$ . Thus, from here conclude (and prove that)  $1 \leq \gamma_A(\lambda_i) \leq \mu_A(\lambda_i) \leq n$
4. Consider the following  $N \times N$  matrix:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} x & -x & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ x & x & -x & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x & x & -x & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x & x & -x & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & x & x & -x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & x & x \end{bmatrix}$$

This implies for  $N = 1, 2, 3$ , matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  looks like,

$$[x] \quad \begin{bmatrix} x & -x \\ x & x \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} x & -x & 0 \\ x & x & -x \\ 0 & x & x \end{bmatrix}$$

Show that the determinant of  $\mathbf{A}$  is  $(F_{N-1} + F_{N-2})x^N$ , where  $F_1 = 1$ ,  $F_2 = 2$  and  $F_N = F_{N-1} + F_{N-2}$ .

*Hint:* Use Mathematical Induction.

5. Let  $p(\lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n (\lambda_i - \lambda)$  be the characteristic polynomial of the  $n \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ . Derive the characteristic polynomial of  $\mathbf{A}^2 - \mathbf{I}$ , where  $\mathbf{I}$  is an identity matrix of appropriate dimension.
 

*Hint:* Use properties of eigen values and definition of a characteristic polynomial.
6. Prove that a linear transformation  $\mathbf{T}$  on a finite dimensional vector space is invertible iff zero is not an eigen value of  $\mathbf{T}$ .
 

*Hint:* Use properties of eigen values.

7. (a) What is wrong with this proof that projection matrices have  $\det P = 1$ ?

$$P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \quad \text{so} \quad |P| = |A| \frac{1}{|A^T||A|} |A^T| = 1$$

*Hint: Invertibility.*

- (b) Suppose the 4by4 matrix  $M$  has four equal rows all containing  $a, b, c, d$ . We know that  $\det(M) = 0$ . Find the  $\det(I + M)$  by any method?

$$\det(I + M) = \begin{bmatrix} 1+a & b & c & d \\ a & 1+b & c & d \\ a & b & 1+c & d \\ a & b & c & 1+d \end{bmatrix}$$

*Hint: Use properties of determinants.*

8. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors for both of these Markov matrices  $A$  and  $A^\infty$ . Explain why  $A^{100}$  is close to  $A^\infty$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} .6 & .2 \\ .4 & .8 \end{bmatrix} \quad A^\infty = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 2/3 & 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

*Hint: Use diagonalization.*

9. When  $a + b = c + d$ , show that  $(1,1)$  is an eigenvector and find both eigenvalues:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

*Hint: Use definition of eigen vector,  $Ax = \lambda x$  and substitute given vector for  $x$ .*

10. EXTRA: Find  $u(t)$  that satisfies the differential equation  $du/dt = Pu$ , when  $P$  is a projection:

$$\frac{du}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} u \quad \text{with} \quad u(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here  $u(t)$  is a vector of time-varying functions, i.e., we can write  $u(t) = \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \\ w(t) \end{bmatrix}$ . You will find that a part of  $u$  increases exponentially while another part stays constant.

*Hint: Find eigen values and eigen vectors of  $P$  and substitute given initial condition.*