

M20580 L.A. and D.E. Tutorial  
Worksheet 7  
Sections 5.3-5.5, 6.1-6.3

1. Let the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -4 \\ -6 & -1 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Find all eigenvalues of A.

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & -4 \\ -6 & -1-\lambda & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & -1-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) &= (-1-\lambda)(1-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) \\ &= (1-\lambda)(1+\lambda)^2 \end{aligned}$$

So eigenvalues are  $\lambda=1$ ,  $\lambda=-1$ ,  $\lambda=-1$

(b) Find a basis for each eigenspace corresponding to each eigenvalue which you found in part (a). Make sure you indicate which eigenvalue each subspace basis corresponds to.

For  $\lambda=1$ , solve  $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ -6 & -2 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$

the eigenvectors are  $x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so a basis is given

by  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

For  $\lambda=-1$ , solve  $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ -6 & 0 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$ .

Solutions are  $x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , so a basis is  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

- (c) Give an invertible matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ , or if none such exists, explain why. Note: You do **not** need to compute  $P^{-1}$ .

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & -1 & \\ & & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 12 \\ -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Find all eigenvalues of  $A$ .

$$\text{For } A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -3-\lambda & 12 \\ -2 & 7-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (-3-\lambda)(7-\lambda) + 24 = (\lambda-1)(\lambda-3)$$

So all eigenvalues are  $\lambda=1$ ,  $\lambda=3$ .

- (b) Suppose you know that  $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  are eigenvectors of  $A$ , where  $A$  is as above. Use this information to diagonalize  $A$ , i.e., find matrices  $P$  and  $D$  such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ .

First check which eigenvalues correspond to  $\vec{v}_1$  and  $\vec{v}_2$ .

$$A\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 12 \\ -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A\vec{v}_1 = 3\vec{v}_1$$

$$A\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 12 \\ -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A\vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_2$$

$$\text{Let } P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Let  $T: \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_1$  be the linear transformation given by

$$T(a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2) = a_1 + 2a_2t, \quad \text{where } a_0, a_1, a_2 \text{ are scalars.}$$

(Note that  $T$  is the differentiation operator.)

Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{1, t, t^2\}$  be the standard basis for  $\mathbb{P}_2$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{1, t\}$  be the standard basis for  $\mathbb{P}_1$ .

Find the matrix for  $T$  relative to the bases  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$ , i.e., find a matrix  $M$  such that  $[T(\mathbf{p})]_{\mathcal{C}} = M[\mathbf{p}]_{\mathcal{B}}$ , for  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{P}_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \begin{bmatrix} [T(1)]_{\mathcal{C}} & [T(t)]_{\mathcal{C}} & [T(t^2)]_{\mathcal{C}} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} [0]_{\mathcal{C}} & [1]_{\mathcal{C}} & [2t]_{\mathcal{C}} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

4. Let  $A$  be the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \sin(\theta) \\ -\sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find two complex eigenvectors of  $A$ .

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) - \lambda & \sin(\theta) \\ -\sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) &= (\cos(\theta) - \lambda)^2 + \sin^2(\theta) \\ &= \lambda^2 - 2\cos(\theta)\lambda + 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Solve } \det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \cos(\theta) \pm i\sin(\theta).$$

For  $\lambda = \cos(\theta) + i\sin(\theta)$

$$\text{Solve } \begin{bmatrix} -i\sin(\theta) & \sin(\theta) & 0 \\ -\sin(\theta) & -i\sin(\theta) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -i\sin(\theta) & \sin(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So eigenvectors are  $x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

For  $\lambda = \cos(\theta) - i\sin(\theta)$ , since it's complex conjugate of  $\cos(\theta) + i\sin(\theta)$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  eigenvectors are  $x_2 \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

5. Which of the following is NOT an orthogonal set? (Using the standard inner product)

1.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

2.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

3.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos(t) \\ \sin(t) \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \sin(t) \\ -\cos(t) \end{bmatrix}$

4.  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

5.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

6. Given  $\mathbf{u} \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , Let  $L = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}\}$ . Show that the mapping  $\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \text{proj}_L \mathbf{x}$  is a linear transformation.

By definition,  $\text{proj}_L \vec{x} = \frac{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u}}{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}} \vec{u}$ .

① For any  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proj}_L(\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_2) &= \frac{(\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_2) \cdot \vec{u}}{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}} \vec{u} = \frac{\vec{x}_1 \cdot \vec{u} + \vec{x}_2 \cdot \vec{u}}{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}} \vec{u} \\ &= \frac{\vec{x}_1 \cdot \vec{u}}{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}} \vec{u} + \frac{\vec{x}_2 \cdot \vec{u}}{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}} \vec{u} \\ &= \text{proj}_L \vec{x}_1 + \text{proj}_L \vec{x}_2 \end{aligned}$$

② For  $c$  scalar,  $\vec{x}$ .

$$\text{proj}_L(c\vec{x}) = \frac{(c\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{u}}{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}} \vec{u} = c \frac{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u}}{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}} \vec{u} = c \text{proj}_L(\vec{x}).$$

Thus,  $\vec{x} \rightarrow \text{proj}_L \vec{x}$  is a linear transformation.