

## Solution to Homework Assignment No. 5

1. (a) Let  $\mathbf{x}$  be the associated eigenvector of  $\lambda$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Ax} &= \lambda\mathbf{x} \\ \implies \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{Ax} &= \mathbf{A}^{-1}\lambda\mathbf{x} \\ \implies \mathbf{Ix} &= \lambda\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{x} \\ \implies \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{x} &= \lambda^{-1}\mathbf{x}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\lambda^{-1}$  is an eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ .

- (b) Let  $\lambda$  be a eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) &= 0 \\ \iff \det((\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})^T) &= 0 \\ \iff \det(\mathbf{A}^T - \lambda\mathbf{I}^T) &= 0 \\ \iff \det(\mathbf{A}^T - \lambda\mathbf{I}) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

we can obtain that  $\lambda$  is also an eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}^T$ , and vice versa.

- (c) Let  $\mathbf{x}$  be the associated eigenvector of  $\lambda$ . Since  $\mathbf{A}$  is idempotent, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Ax} &= \mathbf{A}^2\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Ax}) = \mathbf{A}(\lambda\mathbf{x}) = \lambda(\mathbf{Ax}) = \lambda^2\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x} \\ \implies (\lambda^2 - \lambda)\mathbf{x} &= \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\mathbf{x}$  is not a zero vector, we must have  $\lambda^2 - \lambda = 0$ , i.e.,  $\lambda = 0$  or  $1$ .

2. (a) Consider

$$\det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 - \lambda & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda(3 - \lambda)(3 + \lambda) = 0.$$

We can then find that the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$  are  $\lambda = 0, 3, -3$ . Since the eigenvalues are all distinct,  $\mathbf{A}$  is diagonalizable. We can obtain that the eigenvectors for  $\lambda = 0, 3, -3$  are  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , respectively.

Therefore, let

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{\Lambda} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and then  $\mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{AS} = \mathbf{\Lambda}$ .

(b) Consider

$$\det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = -\lambda^3 = 0.$$

We can obtain  $\lambda = 0$ , and its AM is 3. Since  $\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , the GM of  $\lambda$  is 2, which is small than the AM of  $\lambda$ . Therefore, this matrix is not diagonalizable, and its Jordan form is  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

3. (a) First, we find the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{B}$  by

$$\det(\mathbf{B} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) = \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 5 - \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 4 - \lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) = (5 - \lambda)(4 - \lambda) = 0.$$

Hence  $\lambda = 5$  and 4. For  $\lambda = 5$ , we have

$$(\mathbf{B} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{0}$$

and the eigenvector  $\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . For  $\lambda = 4$ , we have

$$(\mathbf{B} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{0}$$

and the eigenvector  $\mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Hence, we have

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{S}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B}^k &= (\mathbf{S}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{S}^{-1})^k = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{A}^k\mathbf{S}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5^k & 0 \\ 0 & 4^k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5^k & 5^k \\ 0 & -4^k \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 5^k & 5^k - 4^k \\ 0 & 4^k \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Assume  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are eigenvalues of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , respectively. We can then have

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} &= \lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} \implies \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta - i\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta + i\cos\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ i\lambda_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\implies \lambda_1 = \cos\theta - i\sin\theta \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_2 \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} &\implies \begin{bmatrix} i \cos \theta - \sin \theta \\ i \sin \theta + \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i\lambda_2 \\ \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\implies \lambda_2 = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{S}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta - i \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -i/2 \\ -i/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^n &= \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Lambda}^n\mathbf{S}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta - i \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}^n \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -i/2 \\ -i/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-in\theta} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{in\theta} \end{bmatrix}^n \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -i/2 \\ -i/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-in\theta} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{in\theta} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -i/2 \\ -i/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}e^{-in\theta} + \frac{1}{2}e^{in\theta} & \frac{-i}{2}e^{-in\theta} + \frac{i}{2}e^{in\theta} \\ \frac{i}{2}e^{-in\theta} + \frac{-i}{2}e^{in\theta} & \frac{1}{2}e^{-in\theta} + \frac{1}{2}e^{in\theta} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos n\theta & -\sin n\theta \\ \sin n\theta & \cos n\theta \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

4. (a) Assume  $\mathbf{u}_k = \begin{bmatrix} G_{k+1} \\ G_k \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $\mathbf{u}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$\mathbf{u}_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} G_{k+2} \\ G_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (1/2)G_{k+1} + (1/2)G_k \\ G_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_k.$$

Let  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . We then diagonalize  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{S}^{-1}$  where

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{\Lambda} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{S}^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence, we can obtain

$$\mathbf{u}_k = \mathbf{A}^k \mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Lambda}^k\mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{u}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} (1/3) + (1/6)(-1/2)^k \\ (1/3) - (1/3)(-1/2)^k \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$G_k = (1/3) - (1/3)(-1/2)^k.$$

(b) Assume  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} y' \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{u}' = \begin{bmatrix} y'' \\ y' \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\mathbf{u}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} y'(0) \\ y(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then we can have

$$\mathbf{u}' = \begin{bmatrix} y'' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5y' - 4y \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}.$$

Let  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . We then diagonalize  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{S}^{-1}$  where

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{\Lambda} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{S}^{-1} = \frac{-1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence, we can obtain

$$\mathbf{u} = e^{\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{S}e^{\mathbf{\Lambda}t}\mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{u}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -e^t + 4e^{4t} \\ -e^t + e^{4t} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$y = -e^t + e^{4t}.$$

5. (a) True. Assume  $\mathbf{A}$  is a negative definite matrix. Let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{x}$  is a corresponding unit eigenvector. Then we can have

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x} \implies \mathbf{x}^T\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T\lambda\mathbf{x} = \lambda\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = \lambda < 0.$$

- (b) True. By part (a) of Problem 1,  $\lambda^{-1}$  is an eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$ . Since all  $\lambda$ 's are positive for a positive definite matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , all  $\lambda^{-1}$ 's are positive. Hence,  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  is positive definite.
- (c) True. Since the determinant of a positive definite matrix is positive, this matrix is invertible.
- (d) False. Since the determinant of this matrix is negative, it is not positive definite.
- (e) True. Since  $\mathbf{A}$  is nonsingular, all the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$  are nonzero. We learned from class that  $\lambda^2$  is an eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}^2$  if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$ . Therefore, all the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}^2$  are positive, which implies that  $\mathbf{A}^2$  is positive definite.
- (f) False. Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since  $\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{B}^2 = \mathbf{I}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{B}^2$  is similar to  $\mathbf{A}^2$ . However, since the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are not the same,  $\mathbf{B}$  is not similar to  $\mathbf{A}$ .

6. We can find the eigenvalues of each matrix as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &: \lambda = 1, 1 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} &: \lambda = 1, -1 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} &: \lambda = 0, 1 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &: \lambda = 0, 1 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} &: \lambda = 0, 1 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &: \lambda = 0, 1. \end{aligned}$$

Since all  $2 \times 2$  matrices with eigenvalues 0 and 1 are similar to each other (as they are all similar to a diagonal matrix with 0, 1 on the diagonal), the following matrices are similar:

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

The matrices

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

are similar to themselves.

7. (a) After some calculations, we can obtain the eigenvalues and unit eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} &\implies \begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 3 \iff \mathbf{v}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1, 1)^T \\ \lambda_2 = 1 \iff \mathbf{v}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1, -1)^T. \end{cases} \\ \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &\implies \begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 3 \iff \mathbf{u}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(1, 2, 1)^T \\ \lambda_2 = 1 \iff \mathbf{u}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1, 0, -1)^T \\ \lambda_3 = 0 \iff \mathbf{u}_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(1, -1, 1)^T. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

(b) According to (a), the singular value decomposition of  $\mathbf{A}$  is given by

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{V}^T$$

where

$$\mathbf{U} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sqrt{3} & \sqrt{2} \\ 2 & 0 & -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 & -\sqrt{3} & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{V} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The decomposition can be verified by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sqrt{3} & \sqrt{2} \\ 2 & 0 & -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 & -\sqrt{3} & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^T \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sqrt{3} & \sqrt{2} \\ 2 & 0 & -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 & -\sqrt{3} & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & \sqrt{3} \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{A}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) According to what was taught in class, we know that we can use the unit eigenvectors obtained in (a) to form orthonormal bases for the four fundamental subspaces of  $\mathbf{A}$ . Therefore,  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$ ,  $\{\mathbf{u}_3\}$ ,  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ , and  $\phi$  are orthonormal bases for  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A})$ ,  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}^T)$ ,  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A}^T)$ , and  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A})$ , respectively. Note that the basis for the nullspace is the empty set.