

**M341 H11** (S. Zhang) L 6.1: 1(c-h), 3, 4, 6, 9  
L 6.3: 1(a-b,d-e), 2(a-b), 8(a,b) .

1. (6.1:1c,) Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors.  
80.20

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:**

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = 2, 2$$

$$\lambda = 2$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We are lack of a second linearly independent eigenvector.

$$\mathbf{a} = [3 \ -1; 1 \ 1];$$

$$[\mathbf{p} \ \mathbf{e}] = \mathbf{eig}(\mathbf{a})$$

2. (6.1:1d) Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors.  
80.21

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -8 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:** (1)

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = 3 \pm 4i$$

$$\lambda = 3 + 4i$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -4i & -8 \\ 2 & -4i \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$

We skip the other eigenvector as we know the eigenvalues are in conjugate pairs, and so are eigenvectors.

$$\mathbf{a} = [3 \ -8; 2 \ 3];$$

$$[\mathbf{p} \ \mathbf{e}] = \mathbf{eig}(\mathbf{a})$$

3. (6.1:1e) Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors.  
80.22

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:**

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = 2 \pm i$$

$$\lambda = 2 + i$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -1-i & 1 \\ -2 & 1-i \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1+i \end{pmatrix}$$

We skip the other eigenvector as we know the eigenvalues are in conjugate pairs, and so are eigenvectors.

$$\mathbf{a} = [1 \ 1; -2 \ 3];$$

$$[\mathbf{p} \ \mathbf{e}] = \mathbf{eig}(\mathbf{a})$$

4. (6.1:1f) Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors.  
80.23

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:** (2)

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = 0, 0, 0$$

$$\lambda = 0$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We have only 1 linearly independent eigenvector (lacking two, it is a defective matrix).

$$\mathbf{a} = [0 \ 1 \ 0; 0 \ 0 \ 1; 0 \ 0 \ 0];$$

$$[\mathbf{p} \ \mathbf{e}] = \mathbf{eig}(\mathbf{a})$$

5. (6.1:1g) Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors.  
80.24

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:**

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = 1, 1, 2$$

$$\lambda = 1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, C \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 2$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{a} = [1 \ 1 \ 1; 0 \ 2 \ 1; 0 \ 0 \ 1];$$

$$[\mathbf{p} \ \mathbf{e}] = \mathbf{eig}(\mathbf{a})$$

6. (6.1:1h,) Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors.  
80.25

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:**

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = 1, 4, -2$$

$$\lambda = 1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 4$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & -5 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = -2$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

`a=[1 2 1;0 3 1;0 5 -1];`  
`[p e]=eig(a)`

7. (6.1:3) Prove  $A_{n \times n}$  is singular if and only if  $\lambda = 0$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

• **ans:** Prove  $\Rightarrow$ .

If  $A_{n \times n}$  is singular, then  $\det A = 0$ . Let  $\lambda = 0$  in the polynomial

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det(A) = 0$$

so  $\lambda = 0$  is a root of polynomial  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ . Therefore,  $\lambda = 0$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

Prove  $\Leftarrow$ .

If  $\lambda = 0$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ , then  $Ax = \lambda x = 0x = 0$  for some nonzero eigenvector  $x$ . Therefore  $Ax = 0$  has nonzero solution and  $A$  is singular. (otherwise the only solution is  $A^{-1}0 = 0$ , the trivial solution.)

8. (6.1:4) Let  $A$  be a nonsingular matrix and let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $A$ . Show that  $1/\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$ .

• **ans:** Let  $x \neq 0$  be a corresponding eigenvector, i.e.,  $Ax = \lambda x$ . Multiplying both sides by  $A^{-1}$  and  $1/\lambda$ , we get

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

$$A^{-1}x = \frac{1}{\lambda}x$$

So  $1/\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$  as  $x \neq 0$ .

9. (6.1:6) An  $n \times n$  matrix is said to be idempotent if  $A^2 = A$ . Show that if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of an idempotent matrix, then  $\lambda$  must be either 0 or 1.

• **ans:** Let  $x \neq 0$  be a corresponding eigenvector, i.e.,  $Ax = \lambda x$ . Multiplying both sides by  $A$ , we get

$$Ax = \lambda x$$

$$A^2x = \lambda Ax = \lambda^2 x$$

Now  $A^2 = A$ ,

$$Ax = \lambda^2 x$$

Since  $Ax = \lambda x$ ,

$$\lambda x = \lambda^2 x$$

$$\lambda(1 - \lambda)x = 0$$

As  $x \neq 0$ , we have either  $\lambda = 0$  or  $1 - \lambda = 0$ .

10. (6.1:9) Show that  $A$  and  $A^T$  have the same eigenvalues. Do they necessarily have the same eigenvectors? Explain.

• **ans:** If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ , then we have

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

Now, the determinant is invariant under the transpose, i.e.,

$$\det(A^T - \lambda I) = \det((A - \lambda I)^T) = \det(A - \lambda I) = 0.$$

So  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^T$ . By symmetry (between  $A$  and  $A^T$ , all eigenvalues of  $A^T$  are eigenvalues of  $A$ .

But the eigenvectors are completely different. For example,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \lambda = 1, 0, x_1 = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, x_2 = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

However,

$$A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \lambda = 1, 0, x_1 = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, x_2 = C \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

1. (6.3:1a) Factor the matrix  $A$  into a product  $DXD^{-1}$ , where  $D$  is diagonal.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:**

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = -1, 1$$

$$\lambda = -1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, X^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

`d=diag(eig([0 1;1 0]))`  
`x=inv([1 1;-1 1])`  
`inv(x)*d*x-a`

2. (6.3:1b) Factor the matrix  $A$  into a product  $DXD^{-1}$ , where  $D$  is diagonal.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ -2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:**

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = 2, 1$$

$$\lambda = 2$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ -2 & -4 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, X^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \\ D = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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a=[5 6;-2 -2]
d=diag(eig(a))
x=inv([2 3;-1 -2])
inv(x)*d*x-a
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3. (6.3:1d) Factor the matrix  $A$  into a product  $XDX^{-1}$ ,  
82.26 where  $D$  is diagonal.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:**

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = 2, 1, -1$$

$$\lambda = 2$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = -1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}, X^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5/3 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/3 \end{pmatrix} \\ D = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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a=[2 2 1;0 1 2; 0 0 -1]
d=diag(eig(a))
x=inv([1 2 -1;0 -1 3;0 0 -3])
inv(x)*d*x-a
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4. (6.3:1e) Factor the matrix  $A$  into a product  $XDX^{-1}$ ,  
82.28 where  $D$  is diagonal.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:**

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = -2, 2, 1$$

$$\lambda = -2$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 2$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$X^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 5/12 & 1/4 & -3/4 \\ -1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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a=[1 0 0;-2 1 3;1 1 -1]
d=diag(eig(a))
x=inv([0 0 3;1 3 1;-1 1 2]);
rats(x),inv(x)*d*x-a
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5. Use  $A = XDX^{-1}$  to find  $A^6$ .  
82.32

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:** 6.3:2a

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = -1, 1$$

$$\lambda = -1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, X^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^6 = XD^6X^{-1} = X \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} X^{-1}$$

$$= XX^{-1} = I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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d=diag(eig([0 1;1 0]))
x=inv([1 1;-1 1])
inv(x)*d*x
inv(x)*d^6*x
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6. (6.3:2b) Factor the matrix  $A$  into a product  $XDX^{-1}$ ,  
82.34 where  $D$  is diagonal.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ -2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:**

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = 2, 1$$

$$\lambda = 2$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ -2 & -4 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, X^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$A^6 = XD^6X^{-1} = X \begin{pmatrix} 2^6 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} X^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 64 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 253 & 378 \\ -126 & -188 \end{pmatrix}$$

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a=[5 6;-2 -2]
d=diag(eig(a))
x=inv([2 3;-1 -2])
inv(x)*d*x-a
inv(x)*d^6*x
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7. (6.3:8a) Find possible values for  $a$  that make the matrix  
82.36 defective, or show that no such values exist.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:**

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = 0, 2, a$$

If  $a \neq 0, 2$ , then we have 3 different eigenvalues, and the matrix would not be defective.

Let us check  $a = 0$ . We have repeated eigenvalue 0.  $\lambda = 0$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We do have two linearly independent eigenvectors. So  $A$  is not defective.

Let us check  $a = 2$ . We have repeated eigenvalue 2.  $\lambda = 2$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, C \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We do have two linearly independent eigenvectors. So  $A$  is not defective.

Therefore, there is no such  $a$ .

```
a=2
A=[1 1 0; 1 1 0; 0 0 a];
[x e]=eig(A)
A*x, x*e
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8. (6.3:8b) Find possible values for  $a$  that make the matrix  
82.38 defective, or show that no such values exist.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:**

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0, \lambda = 0, 2, a$$

If  $a \neq 0, 2$ , then we have 3 different eigenvalues, and the matrix would not be defective.

Let us check  $a = 0$ . We have repeated eigenvalue 0.  $\lambda = 0$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We do have two linearly independent eigenvectors. So  $A$  is not defective.

Let us check  $a = 2$ . We have repeated eigenvalue 2.  $\lambda = 2$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, x = C \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We have only one linearly independent eigenvector. So  $A$  is defective.

Therefore, only when  $a = 2$ ,  $A$  is defective.

`a=2`

`A=[1 1 1; 1 1 1; 0 0 a];`

`[x e]=eig(A)`

`A*x, x*e, x*e*inv(x)`