

# Assignment 4

Introduction to Linear Algebra

Material from Lectures 13 - 16

Due **Friday, November 5**, 2021

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(Exercise 13.1 in the lecture notes)

1. Consider the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -5 \\ 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (a) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$ . Be careful, there may be complex numbers!
  - (b) If  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  are the eigenvectors, compute the dot product  $\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2$ . Is it a complex or a real number?

(Exercise 13.2 in the lecture notes)

2. Consider the values  $\lambda_1 = -3$ ,  $\lambda_2 = -2$ ,  $\lambda_3 = 5$ .
  - (a) Construct two different  $3 \times 3$  matrices with  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$  as eigenvalues.
  - (b) What are the eigenvectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$  of the two matrices you created in part (a)?
  - (c) If  $\lambda_3 = -2$ , explain why every linear combination of  $\mathbf{v}_2$  and  $\mathbf{v}_3$  is an eigenvector.

(Exercise 14.1 in the lecture notes)

3. Decompose both matrices below in their  $X\Lambda X^{-1}$ -decomposition, where  $\Lambda$  is a diagonal matrix with the eigenvalues, and  $X$  is the matrix with columns as eigenvectors.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Exercise 14.2 in the lecture notes)

4. Let  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{3 \times 3}$  with the eigenvectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and eigenvalues  $-1, 2, -3$ , respectively.
  - (a) Construct the eigenvector matrix  $X$  and the eigenvalues matrix  $\Lambda$ .
  - (b) Construct  $A$  by the diagonalization equation  $A = X\Lambda X^{-1}$ .

(Exercise 15.1 in the lecture notes)

5. Let  $a \in \mathbf{R}$  be nonzero.
  - (a) Find the eigenvalues of  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ -a & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (b) Find the eigenvalues of  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & ia & 0 \\ -a & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (c) Using  $a$ , construct a  $4 \times 4$  skew-symmetric matrix that has **all** imaginary eigenvalues.
  - (d) Construct a  $3 \times 3$  symmetric matrix that has three pivots  $a$  and no zero entries.

(Exercise 15.3 in the lecture notes)

6. Consider the two symmetric matrices below, for  $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & a & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} b & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & b & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & b \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find the pivots for both matrices. For what values of  $a, b$  will the pivots be positive?
- (b) Find the eigenvalues for both matrices. For what values of  $a, b$  will the eigenvalues be positive?
- (c) Find the upper left determinants for both matrices. For what values of  $a, b$  will the determinants be positive?
- (d) Choose some  $a, b$  so that pivots, eigenvalues, determinants are positive. Find the  $Q\Lambda Q^T$ -decomposition for both matrices.

(Exercise 16.2 in the lecture notes)

7. Let  $a \in \mathbf{R}_{\neq 0}$ , and consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2a \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Compute the SVD of  $A$  by finding the eigenvalue / eigenvector pairs for  $AA^T$  and  $A^T A$ .
- (b) What are the dimensions of the four fundamental subspaces of  $A$ ?

(Exercise 16.3 in the lecture notes)

8. (a) Construct a  $3 \times 4$  matrix with singular values 1, 2, 3.

(b) Construct a  $2 \times 2$  rank 1 matrix with right singular vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(c) Find the rank 1 and rank 2 approximations for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$