

Linear Algebra II, spring term 2019
Solutions to final exam 30th July 2019

1.a) Set $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Then $Ae_1 = e_2$, and

$$Ae_i \cdot Ae_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \text{ so } A \text{ is orthogonal.}$$

b) $Ae_3 = e_3$, so e_3 is an eigenvector of A with eigenvalue 1.

c) Set $B = A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$\text{Then } f_B(\lambda) = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (\lambda^2 + 1)(1-\lambda) \Rightarrow \lambda = 1 \text{ is the only eigenvalue of } B.$$

$$\mathcal{E}_1(B) = \ker(B - I_3)$$

$$B - I_3 \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{\textcircled{-1}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

hence $(B - I_3)x = 0 \iff x_1 = x_2 = 0$, so $\mathcal{E}_1(B) = \text{span}\{e_3\}$, and e_3 is a basis of $\mathcal{E}_1(B)$. Hence $\text{geom}_B(1) = 1$.

Since $\sum_{\lambda: \text{eval of } B} \text{geom}_B(\lambda) = \text{geom}_B(1) = 1 < 3 = \dim \mathbb{R}^3$, the matrix

B is not diagonalisable.

$$d) \text{ Set } C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}. f_C(\lambda) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(2-\lambda)(3-\lambda)$$

\Rightarrow the eigenvalues of C are 1, 2 and 3.

Since $\dim \mathbb{R}^3 = 3$ and there are three different eigenvalues, it follows that C is diagonalisable.

Since $C^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = C$, C is not symmetric.

$$2) f_M(\lambda) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 3 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(3-\lambda) - 3 = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda = \lambda(\lambda-4)$$

\Rightarrow the eigenvalues of M are 0 and 4.

$$\cdot M - 0I_3 \stackrel{\textcircled{-3}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \underline{v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}} \text{ is a basis of } \mathcal{E}_0(M) = \ker M.$$

$$\cdot M - 4I_3 \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \underline{v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}} \text{ is a basis of } \mathcal{E}_4(M) = \ker(M - 4I_3)$$

Set $v = (v_1, v_2)$ - an eigenbasis of M .

Now, $M = SDS^{-1}$, where $D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $S = S_v^e = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$x_n = M^n x_0 = SD^n S^{-1} x_0 \stackrel{\text{if } n \neq 1}{=} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4^n \end{pmatrix} S^{-1} e_i$$

$$y = S^{-1} e_i \Leftrightarrow Sy = e_i. (S|e_i) \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & | & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & | & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 1/4 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & -3/4 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 1/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow S^{-1}e_1 = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_n = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4^n \end{pmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4^n \end{pmatrix} = \underline{\underline{4^{n-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}}} \text{ for } n \geq 1$$

3) $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ is an eigenvalue of $T \Leftrightarrow T(f) = \lambda f$ for some $f \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists f \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) : f'' - \lambda f = 0 \Leftrightarrow \ker(S_\lambda) \neq 0, \text{ where } S_\lambda = D^2 - \lambda \text{id}.$$

Since $S_\lambda: \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ is a linear differential operator of order two, $\dim(\ker S_\lambda) = 2 \Rightarrow \ker S_\lambda \neq 0$
 $\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\lambda \text{ is an eigenvalue of } T.}}$

• If $\lambda > 0$: The characteristic polynomial of S_λ is

$$p_{S_\lambda}(x) = x^2 - \lambda = (x - \sqrt{\lambda})(x + \sqrt{\lambda})$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{(e^{\sqrt{\lambda}t}, e^{-\sqrt{\lambda}t}) \text{ is a basis of } \ker(S_\lambda) = \mathcal{E}_\lambda(T)}}$$

• If $\lambda = 0$: $p_{S_\lambda}(x) = x^2 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{(1, t) \text{ is a basis of } \mathcal{E}_0(T)}}$

• If $\lambda < 0$: $p_{S_\lambda}(x) = x^2 - \lambda$ is irreducible $\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{(\cos(\sqrt{-\lambda}t), \sin(\sqrt{-\lambda}t)) \text{ is a basis of } \mathcal{E}_\lambda(T).}}$

4) " \Leftarrow ": Assume that $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and that the elements $f(t), tf(t), \dots, t^n f(t)$ in $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ are lin. dependent. Then there exist $\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i t^i f(t) = 0, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Thus, for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$: $f(t) \cdot \sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i t^i = 0$

$$\Rightarrow f(t) = 0 \text{ or } \sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i t^i = 0$$

Hence, if $f(t) \neq 0$ then $\sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i t^i = 0$, that is, $\text{supp}(f)$ is contained in the set of zeroes of the polynomial $p(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i t^i$. Since p has at most n zeroes in \mathbb{R} , it follows that $\text{supp}(f)$ contains at most n elements.

" \Rightarrow ": Let $\text{supp}(f) = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$, where $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$.

Let p be the polynomial given by $p(t) = (x_1 - t)(x_2 - t) \dots (x_n - t)$

Write $p(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_n t^n$ for some $a_0, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$, $a_n \neq 0$.

$$\Rightarrow p(t)f(t) = (a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_n t^n)f(t) = a_0 f(t) + a_1 t f(t) + \dots + a_n t^n f(t).$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \cdot \text{ If } t \in \text{supp}(f) \text{ then } p(t) = 0 \Rightarrow p(t)f(t) = 0 \\ \cdot \text{ If } t \notin \text{supp}(f) \text{ then } f(t) = 0 \Rightarrow p(t)f(t) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \forall t \in \mathbb{R}: p(t)f(t) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \forall t \in \mathbb{R}: a_0 f(t) + a_1 t f(t) + \dots + a_n t^n f(t) = 0$$

Since $a_n \neq 0$, this means that $f(t), tf(t), \dots, t^n f(t)$ are lin. dependent.