## ES.1803 Problem Section 8, Spring 2024

**Problem 17.1.** (a) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 6 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$ . Solve  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ .

(b) What is the solution to  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$  with  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(c) Decouple the system in Part (a). That is, make a change of variables that converts the system to a decoupled one. Write the system in the new variables.

**Problem 16.2.** (a) Find the eigenvalues and basic eigenvectors of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b) Write A in diagonalized form.

(c) Compute  $A^5$ .

**Problem 15.3.** (a) Use row reduction to find the inverse of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . (b) Use the record of the row operations to compute the determinant of A

**Problem 16.4.** Suppose 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & 2 & e \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
.

(a) What are the eigenvalues of A?

(b) For what value (or values) of a, b, c, e is A singular (non-invertible)?

(c) What is the minimum rank of A (as a, b, c, e vary)? What's the maximum?

(d) Suppose a = -5. In the system  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ , is the equilibrium at the origin stable or unstable.

**Problem 16.5.** Suppose that  $A = S \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} S^{-1}$ .

(a) What are the eigenvalues of A?

(b) Express  $A^2$  and  $A^{-1}$  in terms of S.

(c) What would I need to know about S in order to write down the most rapidly growing exponential solution to  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ ?

**Problem 17.6.** (Complex roots) Solve  $\mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -5 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$  for the general real-valued solution.

Extra problems if time.

**Problem 17.7.** Solve x' = -3x + y, y' = 2x - 2y.

**Problem 16.8.** (b) Find the eigenvalues and basic eigenvectors of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Problem 17.9.** The following figure shows a closed tank system with volumes and flows as indicated (in compatible units). Let's call the tank with  $V_1 = 100$  tank 1, etc.



(a) Write down a system of differential equations modeling the amount of solute in each tank.

(b) Without computation you know one eigenvalue. What is it? What is a corresponding eigenvector?

(c) What can you say about all the other eigenvalues?

**Problem 16.10.** Suppose that the matrix *B* has eigenvalues 1 and 7, with eigenvectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} 5\\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

respectively.

(a) What is the solution to  $\mathbf{x}' = Bx$  with  $x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ?

(b) Decouple the system  $\mathbf{x}' = B\mathbf{x}$ . That is, make a change of variables so that system is decoupled. Write the DE in the new variables.

(c) Give an argument based on transformations why  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$  has the eigenvalues and eigenvectors given above.

**Problem 16.11.** Suppose the 2 × 2 matrix A has eigenvectors  $\mathbf{v_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{v_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  with eigenvalues 2 and 4 respectively.

- (a) Find  $A(v_1 + v_2)$ .
- (b) Find  $A(5v_1 + 6v_2)$ .
- (c) Find  $A\begin{bmatrix}4\\9\end{bmatrix}$

**Problem 16.12.** (a) Without calculation, find the eigenvalues and and basic eigenvectors for  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b) Without calculation, find at least one eigenvector and eigenvalue for  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Problem 16.13.** Find the eigenvalues and basic eigenvectors of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 13 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Problem 17.14.** Solve the system x' = x + 2y; y' = -2x + y.

**Problem 17.15.** (**Repeated roots**) Solve  $\mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$ .

**Problem 15.16.** Use row reduction to find inverses of the following matrices. As you do this, record the row operations carefully for later problems.

(a)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -6 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ (b)  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ (c)  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ (d)  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ 

**Problem 15.17.** Using just the record of the row operations in Problem 15.16 compute the determinant of each matrix.

Problem 15.18. Compute the transpose of the following matrices.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**Problem 15.19.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   $D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Show by direct computation that  $(AD)^T = (D^T A^T)$ .

(a) Recall the notation for inner product:  $\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle$ . Assume  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$ Problem 15.20. are column vectors. Write the formula for inner product in terms of transpose and matrix multiplication.

(b) Using this definition show  $\langle A\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{v}, A^T \mathbf{w} \rangle$ .

You are not responsible for orthogonal matrices. The following is just for fun!

## Problem 16.21.

(a) An orthogonal matrix is one where the columns are orthonormal (mutually orthogonal and unit length). Equivalently, S is orthogonal if  $S^{-1} = S^T$ .

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find an orthogonal matrix S and a diagonal matrix  $\Lambda$  such that  $A = S\Lambda S^{-1}$ 

(b) Decouple the equation  $\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}$ , with  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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