

**Office Hour Help:** M & W 2:30–4:00, Tu 2:00–3:30, & F 1:30–2:30 or by appointment. Website: <http://math.hws.edu/~mitchell/Math204S16/index.php>.

*Practice and Reading*

**Try to do the proof on the LAST page.** Volunteer to present in class next time.

1. (a) Review Sections 5.1 and 5.2 in your text. We should finish most of Section 5.2 today. I expect to begin Section 5.3 on Monday, so read ahead. Skim that.
2. (a) **Practice.** First try Page 273 #1, 3, 7, 9, 15. Now go back and try Page 271 #3, 7, 9, 13, 17. Now try Page 271 21, 23 (for  $2 \times 2$  only). Now try Finally try #35. This shows the utility of a basis of eigenvectors.
- (b) Key Terms: eigenvalue, eigenvector, algebraic multiplicity, characteristic equation (polynomial), geometric multiplicity, and similarity.

*Hand in Wednesday*

☞ **Remember:** WeBWork set SHW<sub>13</sub>. Due Monday night.

1. Find the characteristic polynomial and the real eigenvalues for the following four matrices. These show the four different possible results for  $2 \times 2$  matrices. You may need to use the quadratic formula.

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (c) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (d) \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Find bases for the eigenspaces in #1(a) and #1(d).

3. Find the eigenvalues and bases for the eigenspaces for  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

4. List the eigenvalues and their multiplicities for  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 8 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -5 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

5. Exercise #18 page 280. (You are trying to find  $h$  to make  $E_4$  two-dimensional.)

6. Prove the following (see hint in margin):

**THEOREM 4.3.100.** Assume  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v}$ . Then  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^T$ .

☞: Use the Characteristic Equation and properties of transposes and determinants.

7. Prove the following:

**THEOREM 4.3.101.** Assume  $A$  is invertible and  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v}$ . Then  $\lambda^{-1}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$  corresponding to the same eigenvector  $\mathbf{v}$ .

☞: Start with  $A\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$ . Use  $A^{-1}$ . Make sure to explain why  $\lambda^{-1}$  exists.

8. Prove the following:

**THEOREM 4.3.102.** Assume  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v}$ . Then  $\lambda^2$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^2$  corresponding to the same eigenvector  $\mathbf{v}$ .

☞: Consider  $A^2\mathbf{v} = A(A\mathbf{v})$ .

**BONUS:** If you know induction, then prove: For any positive integer  $n$ , if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v}$ , then  $\lambda^n$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^n$  corresponding to the same eigenvector  $\mathbf{v}$ .

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9. Page 272 #22 (give a reference), 36.
10. (a) Use Maple to find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors for the **TRANSPOSE** of the matrix page 273, #39. (See the Maple sample code below.) According to problem 2, you should get the same eigenvalues as for  $A$ . Did you (look in the back of the text)? Are the eigenvectors the same?

*with(LinearAlgebra) :*

Find the eigenvalues and bases for the corresponding eigenspaces for

$$A := \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -56 & -14 & 42 \\ -4 & 32 & -14 & -33 \\ -2 & -28 & 6 & 21 \\ -4 & 44 & -14 & -45 \end{bmatrix} :$$

Get the characteristic polynomial using the determinant:

$$\text{Determinant}(A - \text{lambd}a \text{ IdentityMatrix}(4))$$

$$\lambda^4 - 2\lambda^3 - 311\lambda^2 + 312\lambda + 24336 \quad (1)$$

Now cut and paste the equation into the solve command:

$$\text{solve}(24336 + \lambda^4 - 2\lambda^3 - 311\lambda^2 + 312\lambda = 0, \text{lambd}a)$$

$$-12, -12, 13, 13 \quad (2)$$

We could have done this a bit more directly using the CharacteristicPolynomial command

$$\text{CharacteristicPolynomial}(A, \text{lambd}a)$$

$$\lambda^4 - 2\lambda^3 - 311\lambda^2 + 312\lambda + 24336 \quad (3)$$

In fact we don't even need to compute the characteristic polynomial separately, you can embed it in the solve command

$$\text{solve}(\text{CharacteristicPolynomial}(A, \text{lambd}a) = 0, \text{lambd}a)$$

$$-12, -12, 13, 13 \quad (4)$$

To find the eigenspaces use the usual commands. For -12:

$$\text{ReducedRowEchelonForm}(A - (-12)\text{IdentityMatrix}(4))$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{3}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

from which you can get the basis. (What would it be?) Even easier, use

$$\text{NullSpace}(A - (-12)\text{IdentityMatrix}(4))$$

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{3}{4} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (6)$$

Class Work

**THEOREM 4.3.103** (Eigenvectors corresponding to Distinct Eigenvalues are Independent). If  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r$  are distinct eigenvectors that correspond to distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$  of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ , then  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r\}$  is linearly independent.

*Proof.* (By Contraposition.) Assume  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r\}$  is **dependent**. (Show  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$  are not distinct... so at least two of them are equal).

By the definition of dependent, by Theorem 4.4, one of the vectors—say  $\mathbf{v}_{p+1}$ —is a non-trivial combination of the earlier vectors,  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$  which are independent. So

$$\text{_____} = \mathbf{v}_{p+1} \quad (4.1)$$

where some  $c_i \neq \text{_____}$

Multiply (??) by  $A$ :

$$\text{_____} = A\mathbf{v}_{p+1} \quad (4.2)$$

Since each  $\mathbf{v}_k$  is an eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda_k$ , we can rewrite (??) as

$$\text{_____} = \lambda_{p+1}\mathbf{v}_{p+1} \quad (4.3)$$

Also multiply (??) by  $\lambda_{p+1}$ :

$$\text{_____} = \lambda_{p+1}\mathbf{v}_{p+1} \quad (4.4)$$

Subtract: (??)–(??):

$$\text{_____} = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.5)$$

But  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$  are independent, so all the coefficients in (??) equal 0 so

$$c_1(\lambda_1 - \lambda_{p+1}) = 0, c_2(\lambda_2 - \lambda_{p+1}) = 0, \dots, c_p(\lambda_p - \lambda_{p+1}) = 0$$

Since the combination in (??) at the outset was non-trivial, some  $c_i \neq \text{_____}$ . So  $c_i(\lambda_i - \lambda_{p+1}) = 0$  means

$$\lambda_i - \lambda_{p+1} = \text{_____} \quad \text{which means } \text{_____}$$

So the eigenvalues are \_\_\_\_\_ □

*Class Work—The proof of The Diagonalization Theorem*

**Definition.** An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is **diagonalizable** if  $A$  is similar to a diagonal matrix. (That is,  $A = PDP^{-1}$ , where  $D$  is diagonal. Note: This also means  $P^{-1}AP = D$ .)

**The Diagonalization Theorem.** An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable if and only if  $A$  has  $n$  independent eigenvectors  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ . In fact, if  $P = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n]$  and

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

is the diagonal matrix whose diagonal entries are the eigenvalues corresponding to  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ , then  $A = PDP^{-1}$ .

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$ . Given  $A$  is diagonalizable. So  $A =$  \_\_\_\_\_ where \_\_\_\_\_ is invertible and \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_. So  $AP =$  \_\_\_\_\_. Let  $P = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n]$ . Then

$$AP = A[\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n] = [ \quad \quad \quad ]$$

while, since  $D$  is diagonal with diagonal entries  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ , then

$$PD = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} = [ \quad \quad \quad ]$$

But  $AP = PD$  so  $A\mathbf{v}_1 =$  \_\_\_\_\_, so \_\_\_\_\_ is an \_\_\_\_\_ corresponding to \_\_\_\_\_. Similarly for  $\mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n$ . Since  $P = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n]$  is invertible,  $\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n$  are \_\_\_\_\_ by the IMT.

$\Leftarrow$  Given  $A$  has  $n$  independent eigenvectors  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  corresponding to  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  ( $\lambda$ 's are not necessarily, distinct by the way). Let  $P = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n]$ .  $P$  is \_\_\_\_\_ (IMT). Let

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$AP = [ \quad \quad \quad ] = [\lambda_1 \mathbf{v}_1 \ \dots \ \lambda_n \mathbf{v}_n] = PD$$

because  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  are \_\_\_\_\_. So

$$AP = PD \Rightarrow A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

So  $A$  is \_\_\_\_\_.