

## Week 8: Eigenvalues and eigenspaces

1.  MULTI  Single

A  $5 \times 5$  matrix has eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_5$ . If  $\lambda_1 = 2 + i$ ,  $\lambda_2 = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}$ ,  $\lambda_3 = 2$  then what are the values of  $\lambda_4$  and  $\lambda_5$ ?

- (a)  $\lambda_4 = \lambda_5 = 0$   
 (b)  $\lambda_4 = 2 + i, \lambda_5 = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}$   
 (c) The information given is insufficient to determine  $\lambda_4$  and  $\lambda_5$   
 (d)  $\lambda_4 = 2 - i, \lambda_5 = -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}$

2.  MULTI  Single

Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix that has eigenvalues  $1, 3, 5, \dots, 2n - 1$ . Compute  $\text{tr}(A)$  and  $\det(A)$ . (Recall that  $n! := 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdots (n - 1) \cdot n$ .)

- (a)  $\text{tr}(A) = n^2, \det(A) = \frac{(2n)!}{2(n!)}$   
 (b)  $\text{tr}(A) = n^2, \det(A) = \frac{(2n)!}{2^n(n!)}$   
 (c)  $\text{tr}(A) = n, \det(A) = \frac{(2n)!}{n!}$   
 (d)  $\text{tr}(A) = (n + 1)^2, \det(A) = \frac{(2n + 2)!}{2^n((n + 1)!)}$

3.  MULTI  Single

Let  $A$  be a matrix such that

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = -\lambda^3(\lambda - 1)(2\lambda + 1)^2.$$

Compute  $\text{tr}(A)$  and  $\det(A)$ .

- (a)  $\text{tr}(A) = 0, \det(A) = -1$   
 (b)  $\text{tr}(A) = 0, \det(A) = 0$   
 (c)  $\text{tr}(A) = \frac{1}{2}, \det(A) = 0$   
 (d)  $\text{tr}(A) = \frac{1}{2}, \det(A) = -\frac{1}{2}$

4.  MULTI  Single

Let  $A$  be a  $7 \times 7$  matrix such that

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda - 2 + i)(\lambda - i)(\lambda - \sqrt{2})^2(\lambda - 1)q(\lambda)$$

where  $q(\lambda)$  is some polynomial. Compute  $\text{tr}(A)$  and  $\det(A)$ .

- (a)  $\text{tr}(A) = 2 + 2\sqrt{2}, \det(A) = 2 + 4i$ .  
 (b) Information given is insufficient to determine  $\text{tr}(A)$  and  $\det(A)$ .  
 (c)  $\text{tr}(A) = 5 + 2\sqrt{2}, \det(A) = 10$ .  
 (d)  $\text{tr}(A) = 2 + \sqrt{2}, \det(A) = \sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{2}i$ .

5.  MULTI  Single

Consider the eigenvalues of the matrix

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 5 & 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 3 & 9 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

How many eigenvalues of the matrix are **not** real?

- (a) 7
- (b) 0
- (c) 1
- (d) 3

6.  MULTI  SingleLet  $A$  be a matrix with characteristic polynomial

$$p(\lambda) = \lambda(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 4)(\lambda - 5).$$

What is the dimension of  $\ker(A)$ ?

- (a) 3
- (b) 2
- (c) 0
- (d) 1

7.  MULTI  Single

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Compute the set of tuples  $(\lambda, a_\lambda, g_\lambda)$  where  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue,  $a_\lambda$  its algebraic multiplicity and  $g_\lambda$  is its geometric multiplicity.

- (a)  $(\lambda_1 = 0, a_1 = 2, g_1 = 2)$
- (b)  $(\lambda_1 = 1, a_1 = 1, g_1 = 2)$
- (c)  $(\lambda_1 = 1, a_1 = 2, g_1 = 2)$
- (d)  $(\lambda_1 = 1, a_1 = 2, g_1 = 1)$

8.  MULTI  Single

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Compute the set of tuples  $(\lambda, a_\lambda, g_\lambda)$  where  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue,  $a_\lambda$  its algebraic multiplicity and  $g_\lambda$  is its geometric multiplicity.

- (a)  $(\lambda_1 = 1, a_1 = 1, g_1 = 0), (\lambda_2 = 2, a_2 = 1, g_2 = 0), (\lambda_3 = 3, a_3 = 1, g_3 = 0)$

- (b)  $(\lambda_1 = 1, a_1 = 0, g_1 = 1), (\lambda_2 = 2, a_2 = 0, g_2 = 1), (\lambda_3 = 3, a_3 = 0, g_3 = 1)$   
(c)  $(\lambda_1 = 1, a_1 = 1, g_1 = 1), (\lambda_2 = 2, a_2 = 1, g_2 = 1), (\lambda_3 = 3, a_3 = 1, g_3 = 1)$   
(d)  $(\lambda_1 = 1, a_1 = 3, g_1 = 2)$

9.  MULTI  Single

A matrix  $A$  has characteristic polynomial

$$p(\lambda) = \lambda(\lambda + 2)^2 + 3\lambda - 1.$$

Use the Cayley-Hamilton theorem to deduce a formula for  $A^{-1}$  in terms of  $A$ .

- (a)  $A$  is not invertible  
(b)  $A^{-1} = A$   
(c)  $A^{-1} = (A + 2)^2 + 3I$   
(d)  $A^{-1} = A(A + 2)^2 + 3A - I$

10.  MULTI  Single

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Which of the following statements is false?

- (a)  $A^4$  has an eigenvalue  $1/4$ .  
(b)  $A^{-1}$  has an eigenvalue  $2$ .  
(c)  $A$  is invertible.  
(d)  $A^4$  has an eigenvalue  $1$ .

*Total of marks: 10*