

Supplemental Study Material Solutions

1. (BH) Calculate the matrix A which has the following properties:

$$\lambda_1(A) = 2, \quad \lambda_2(A) = -5, \quad \mathbf{z}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{z}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solution. Using the given statements, we have that

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad \implies \quad S^{-1} = \frac{1}{1} \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore, we have that

$$A = S\Lambda S^{-1} = S \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 14 & -4 \\ 15 & -5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 44 & -14 \\ 147 & -47 \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. Consider the following matrix and vector:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & -3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) (BH) Find the eigenvalues of A .

Solution. Calculating the characteristic polynomial, we have

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -5 - \lambda & -3 \\ 6 & 4 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = -20 + \lambda + \lambda^2 + 18 = \lambda^2 + \lambda - 2 = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 2).$$

Setting the characteristic polynomial equal to zero, we have that $\lambda_1 = 1$ and $\lambda_2 = -2$.

(b) (BH) Find the corresponding eigenvectors of A .

Solution. Solving for the eigenspaces, we obtain

$$(A - \lambda_1 I)\mathbf{z}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -6 & -3 \\ 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}_1 = \mathbf{0}.$$

The rows are multiples of one another, so we see that $6x + 3y = 0$, so a typical eigenvector is $(1, -2)^T$. Similarly, we have

$$(A - \lambda_2 I)\mathbf{z}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -3 \\ 6 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}_2 = \mathbf{0}.$$

The rows are multiples of one another, so we see that $6x + 6y = 0$, so a typical eigenvector is $(-1, 1)^T$.

(c) (BH) Write the spectral decomposition $A = S\Lambda S^{-1}$.

Solution. **IMPORTANT: The answer to this problem is dependent on the ordering of the eigenvalues and the choice of eigenvectors.** Using our answers from (a) and (b), we have

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \implies \quad S^{-1} = - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(d) (BH) Calculate $[A\mathbf{x}]_Z$ and $\Lambda[\mathbf{x}]_Z$. Verify that they are equal.

Solution. To calculate the coordinates in the Z basis, we need the transition matrix, which is simply the inverse of the matrix of eigenvectors. Thus the transition matrix is S^{-1} . So we have

$$\begin{aligned} [A\mathbf{x}]_Z &= S^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} -5 & -3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \\ \Lambda[\mathbf{x}]_Z &= \Lambda \left[- \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \right] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

(e) (BH) Use your answer to part (c) to calculate $A^{10}\mathbf{x}$.

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned} A^{10}\mathbf{x} &= (S\Lambda S^{-1})^{10}\mathbf{x} = S\Lambda^{10}S^{-1}\mathbf{x} = S\Lambda^{10}[\mathbf{x}]_Z = S \left[\begin{pmatrix} 1^{10} & 0 \\ 0 & (-2)^{10} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right] \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2^{11} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 - 2^{11} \\ -6 + 2^{11} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2045 \\ 2042 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

(f) (MP) Calculate $A^{10}\mathbf{x}$ and check your answer with (e).

3. Let A and B be similar.

(a) (BH) Show that if A is nonsingular, then B is nonsingular.

Solution. Let $B = PAP^{-1}$. Then since P is invertible, we have

$$\begin{aligned} BP &= PA \\ BPA^{-1} &= P \\ BPA^{-1}P^{-1} &= I. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $B^{-1} = PA^{-1}P^{-1}$, and hence B is invertible.

(b) (BH) If A is nonsingular, then A^{-1} and B^{-1} are similar.

Solution. By part (a), we have that $B^{-1} = PA^{-1}P^{-1}$, and hence A^{-1} and B^{-1} are similar.

Now consider the particular matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -2 & 2 \\ 6 & 12 & 11 & 2 & -4 \\ 9 & 20 & 10 & 10 & -6 \\ 15 & 28 & 14 & 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(Do **NOT** use these matrices for parts (a) and (b); those proofs should be for *any* A and B .)

(c) (MP) Verify that A and B are similar and invertible, and compute the matrix P such that $A = PBP^{-1}$.

(d) (MP) Verify that A^{-1} and B^{-1} are similar, and compute the matrix Q such that $A^{-1} = QB^{-1}Q^{-1}$.

(e) (BH) Show that it is possible to choose $P = Q$. Is that true of the matrices in Mathematica? What does that tell you about the uniqueness of P and Q ?

Solution. Taking the inverse of both sides of the P equation, we have

$$A^{-1} = (P^{-1})^{-1}B^{-1}(P)^{-1} = PB^{-1}P^{-1},$$

which is exactly the same as the Q equation with Q replaced by P . However, P and Q are not the same in our Mathematica calculation, and hence they most not be unique.



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In[*]:= Quit[]
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In[*]:= $PrePrint = If[MatrixQ[#] || VectorQ[#], MatrixForm[#], #] &;
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Number 2f.

Calculate $A^{10} \mathbf{x}$, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & -3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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In[*]:= a2f = {{-5, -3}, {6, 4}}
x2f = {1, -4}
MatrixPower[a2f, 10].x2f
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$$\begin{pmatrix} -5 & -3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Out[*]=

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Out[*]=

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2045 \\ 2042 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Number 3c.

Show that the matrices A and B are invertible, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -2 & 2 \\ 6 & 12 & 11 & 2 & -4 \\ 9 & 20 & 10 & 10 & -6 \\ 15 & 28 & 14 & 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and find the matrix } P \text{ such that } A = P B P^{-1}.$$

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In[*]:=
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In[*]:= A = {{4, 4, 2, 3, -2}, {0, 1, -2, -2, 2},
             {6, 12, 11, 2, -4}, {9, 20, 10, 10, -6},
             {15, 28, 14, 5, -3}}
B = {{3, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 5, 0, 0, 0},
     {0, 0, 5, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 7, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0, 3}}
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Out[*]=

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -2 & 2 \\ 6 & 12 & 11 & 2 & -4 \\ 9 & 20 & 10 & 10 & -6 \\ 15 & 28 & 14 & 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Out[*]=

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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First we check that A and B are invertible:

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In[ ]:= ainv = Inverse[A]
        binv = Inverse[B]
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Out[ ]:=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{12}{35} & -\frac{4}{35} & -\frac{2}{35} & -\frac{17}{105} & \frac{2}{21} \\ 0 & \frac{7}{15} & \frac{2}{15} & \frac{2}{15} & -\frac{2}{15} \\ -\frac{2}{5} & -\frac{4}{5} & -\frac{1}{5} & -\frac{2}{15} & \frac{4}{15} \\ -\frac{13}{35} & -\frac{92}{105} & -\frac{46}{105} & -\frac{2}{105} & \frac{2}{7} \\ -\frac{27}{35} & -\frac{148}{105} & -\frac{74}{105} & -\frac{23}{105} & \frac{13}{21} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Out[ ]:=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{5} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{7} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Since B is diagonal, we expect it to be the matrix of eigenvalues of A , which it is:

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In[ ]:= esys = Eigensystem[A]
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Out[ ]:=
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$$\{\{7, 5, 5, 3, 3\}, \{1, 0, 0, 3, 3\}, \{-1, 1, 0, -1, 1\}, \{0, -1, 2, 0, 0\}, \{-2, 1, 1, 0, 2\}, \{4, -3, 1, 2, 0\}\}$$

Then in order to construct the matrix S of eigenvectors that has the columns in the right order, we have to pick the vectors out manually

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In[ ]:= {esys[[2, 4]], esys[[2, 2]], esys[[2, 3]], esys[[2, 1]], esys[[2, 5]]}
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Out[ ]:=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 3 \\ 4 & -3 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that the vectors have been slotted into rows, so the matrix S is the transpose of this:

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In[ ]:= smat = Transpose[%]
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Out[ ]:=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

This matrix is the matrix P for which we are looking, which we can verify:

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In[*]:= smat.B.Inverse[smat]
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A

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Out[*]=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -2 & 2 \\ 6 & 12 & 11 & 2 & -4 \\ 9 & 20 & 10 & 10 & -6 \\ 15 & 28 & 14 & 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Out[*]=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -2 & 2 \\ 6 & 12 & 11 & 2 & -4 \\ 9 & 20 & 10 & 10 & -6 \\ 15 & 28 & 14 & 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Number 3d.

Compute the matrix Q such that $A^{-1} = QB^{-1}Q$.

Since B^{-1} is diagonal, we expect it to be the matrix of eigenvalues of A^{-1} , which it is:

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In[*]:= eisys = Eigensystem[ainv]
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Out[*]=
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$$\left\{ \left\{ \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{7} \right\}, \left\{ \left\{ -1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 1 \right\}, \left\{ 2, -\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 0 \right\}, \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \left\{ -1, 1, 0, -1, 1 \right\}, \left\{ 0, -\frac{1}{2}, 1, 0, 0 \right\}, \left\{ \frac{1}{3}, 0, 0, 1, 1 \right\} \right\} \right\}$$

Then in order to construct the matrix S of eigenvectors that has the columns in the right order, we have to pick the vectors out manually

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In[*]:= {eisys[[2, 2]], eisys[[2, 3]], eisys[[2, 4]], eisys[[2, 5]], eisys[[2, 1]]}
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Out[*]=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -\frac{3}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that the vectors have been slotted into rows, so the matrix Q is the transpose of this:

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In[*]:= qmat = Transpose[%]
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Out[*]=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & -1 \\ -\frac{3}{2} & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

This matrix is the matrix Q for which we are looking, which we can verify:

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In[ ]:= qmat.binv.Inverse[qmat]
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a inv
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Out[ ]=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{12}{35} & -\frac{4}{35} & -\frac{2}{35} & -\frac{17}{105} & \frac{2}{21} \\ \mathbf{0} & \frac{7}{15} & \frac{2}{15} & \frac{2}{15} & -\frac{2}{15} \\ -\frac{2}{5} & -\frac{4}{5} & -\frac{1}{5} & -\frac{2}{15} & \frac{4}{15} \\ -\frac{13}{35} & -\frac{92}{105} & -\frac{46}{105} & -\frac{2}{105} & \frac{2}{7} \\ -\frac{27}{35} & -\frac{148}{105} & -\frac{74}{105} & -\frac{23}{105} & \frac{13}{21} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Out[ ]=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{12}{35} & -\frac{4}{35} & -\frac{2}{35} & -\frac{17}{105} & \frac{2}{21} \\ \mathbf{0} & \frac{7}{15} & \frac{2}{15} & \frac{2}{15} & -\frac{2}{15} \\ -\frac{2}{5} & -\frac{4}{5} & -\frac{1}{5} & -\frac{2}{15} & \frac{4}{15} \\ -\frac{13}{35} & -\frac{92}{105} & -\frac{46}{105} & -\frac{2}{105} & \frac{2}{7} \\ -\frac{27}{35} & -\frac{148}{105} & -\frac{74}{105} & -\frac{23}{105} & \frac{13}{21} \end{pmatrix}$$