

Q1: Suppose $(1,2,3)$ is a solution of the following linear system:

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = b_1$$

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 - 3x_3 = b_2$$

Find the values of b_1, b_2 . (2 marks)

Answer: $b_1=1+4-3=2$ and $b_2=2+6-9=-1$

Q2: Show that the matrix A is invertible, where $A^2 + 3A = B$ and $\det(B)=2$. (2 marks)

Answer: $A(A+3I)=B$ implies $|A| |A+3I|=|B|=2$ which implies $|A|$ is nonzero and hence A is invertible.

Q3: Let V be the subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 **spanned** by the set $S=\{v_1=(1, 2,3), v_2=(2, 4,6), v_3=(4, 6, 6)\}$. Find a **subset** of S that forms a basis of V . (4 marks)

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix} &\xrightarrow[-3R_{13}]{-2R_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{2}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{6R_{23}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Since columns 1 and 3 have leading ones, then v_1 and v_3 forms a basis of V .

Q4: Show that $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ is diagonalizable and find a matrix P that diagonalizes A . (6 marks)

Answer:

$$0 = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & \lambda - 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & \lambda + 1 \end{vmatrix} = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 1)$$

$$\lambda = \pm 1$$

At $\lambda = 1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-1R_{13}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{2}R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = s \in \mathbb{R}, x_2 = x_3 = t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$E_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} s \\ t \\ t \end{bmatrix} : s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

At $\lambda = -1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[-1R_{23}]{-1R_{21}} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[-\frac{1}{2}R_2]{-\frac{1}{2}R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = x_3 = t \in \mathbb{R}, x_2 = 0$$

$$E_{-1} = \left\{ t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Since A has three independent Eigen vectors, it is diagonalizable and

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Q5: Assume that the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 has the Euclidean inner product. Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to transform the following basis vectors $(1, -2, 0)$, $(2, 1, -1)$, $(0, 1, 1)$ into an **orthonormal basis**. (8 marks)

Answer: Let $v_1 = (1, -2, 0)$, $v_2 = (2, 1, -1)$, $v_3 = (0, 1, 1)$.

Now define u_1, u_2 and u_3 as follows:

$$u_1 = v_1 = (1, -2, 0)$$

$$u_2 = v_2 - \frac{\langle v_2, u_1 \rangle}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 = (2, 1, -1) - 0 = (2, 1, -1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_3 &= v_3 - \frac{\langle v_3, u_2 \rangle}{\|u_2\|^2} u_2 - \frac{\langle v_3, u_1 \rangle}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 \\ &= (0, 1, 1) - 0 - \frac{-2}{5} (1, -2, 0) = \left(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, 1\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$w_1 = \frac{u_1}{\|u_1\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} (1, -2, 0)$$

$$w_2 = \frac{u_2}{\|u_2\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (2, 1, -1)$$

$$w_3 = \frac{u_3}{\|u_3\|} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{6}} \left(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, 1\right)$$

So $\{w_1, w_2, w_3\}$ is the wanted orthonormal basis.

Q6: Let V be an inner product space, let v_o be any fixed vector in V , and let $T : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the map defined by $T(v) = \langle v, v_o \rangle$ for all v in V . Show that:

(a) T is a linear transformation. (4 marks)

(b) If $v_o \in \ker(T)$, then $v_o = 0$ and $\ker(T) = V$. (2 marks)

Answer: (a) For any u and v in V and any real number k we have:

$$(1) T(u+v) = \langle u+v, v_o \rangle = \langle u, v_o \rangle + \langle v, v_o \rangle = T(u) + T(v)$$

$$(2) T(ku) = \langle ku, v_o \rangle = k \langle u, v_o \rangle = kT(u)$$

(b) v_o belongs to $\ker(T)$ implies that $0 = T(v_o) = \langle v_o, v_o \rangle$ which implies that $v_o = 0$.

So for all v in V : $T(v) = \langle v, v_o \rangle = \langle v, 0 \rangle = 0$ and hence $\ker(T) = V$.

Q7: Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the linear transformation defined by:

$$T(x_1, x_2) = (3x_1 - x_2, -2x_1, x_1 + x_2).$$

(a) Find $[T]_{S,B}$ where S is the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^3 and $B = \{v_1 = (1, 1), v_2 = (1, 0)\}$. (4 marks)

(b) Show that T is one-to-one. (2 marks)

Answer: (a) $T(1, 1) = (2, -2, 2)$ and $T(1, 0) = (3, -2, 1)$. Hence

$$[T]_{S,B} = \left[[T(1,1)]_S \mid [T(1,0)]_S \right] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -2 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) $(0,0,0)=T(x,y)=(3x-y,-2x,x+y)$ implies $3x-y=0$, $-2x=0$, $x+y=0$. So $x=0$ and hence $y=0$. Thus $\ker(T)=\{0\}$ and T is 1-1.

Q8: Show that:

(a) If $T : V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation, then the kernel of T is a subspace of V . (2 marks)

Answer: $T(0)=0$ implies $\ker(T)$ is not empty.

For all u and v in $\ker(T)$ and a real number k we have:

$T(u+v)=T(u)+T(v)=0+0=0$, so $u+v$ is in $\ker(T)$.

$T(ku)=kT(u)=k0=0$, so ku is in $\ker(T)$.

Thus, $\ker(T)$ is a subspace of V .

(b) If 1 and -1 are the eigenvalues of a square matrix A of order 2, then we have that $A^{100} = I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. (2 marks)

Answer: As 1 and -1 are distinct eigenvalues, So A is diagonalizable and A is similar to $D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ such that $A=PDP^{-1}$. So $A^{100} = PD^{100}P^{-1} = PIP^{-1} = I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

(c) If u and v are orthogonal vectors in an inner product space, then:

$$\|u+v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2. \text{ (2 marks)}$$

Answer: As u and v are orthogonal, so $\langle u,v \rangle = 0$ and hence:

$$\begin{aligned} \|u+v\|^2 &= \langle u+v, u+v \rangle \\ &= \langle u, u \rangle + \langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, u \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle \\ &= \langle u, u \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2 \end{aligned}$$