

Math 121A HW4 Solutions

4.1.11: This was done in detail in discussion.

Let $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{R})$. Then, using properties (i), (ii), (iii) of δ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix} \right) &\stackrel{(i)}{=} a_1 \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix} \right) + a_2 \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &\stackrel{(i)}{\longrightarrow} = a_1 a_3 \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) + a_1 a_4 \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) + a_2 a_3 \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) + a_2 a_4 \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &\stackrel{(ii)+(iii)}{\longrightarrow} = 0 + a_1 a_4 + a_2 a_3 \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) + 0 \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} a_1 a_4 + a_2 a_3 \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Claim: $\delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = -1$

Given the claim, $(*)$ simplifies to $a_1 a_4 - a_2 a_3$ which is the same as the determinant so we will be done.

Pf of Claim: Note: $\delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0$ by (ii), so we have

$$0 = \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) + \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) + \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) + \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

where we use (i) to split as above. Using (ii) and (iii) we get,

$$-1 = -\delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \delta \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \quad \square \text{ Claim}$$

4.2.3: Use row operation \leftrightarrow interactions with determinant to find $k=42$.

4.2.4: Same process as #3 to find $k=2$.

4.2.8: $\det(E_1) = -1$

$\det(E_2) = c$ where c is the scalar used to get to E_2 from I

$\det(E_3) = 1$

4.2.30: Let $j \in \mathbb{N}$ be such that $n = 2j$ or $n = 2j + 1$ (based on whether n is even or odd). It is not hard to see that it takes j row swaps to get from A to B .

Hence,

$$\det(B) = (-1)^j \det(A)$$

4.3.6: Use the formula $x_k = \frac{\det(M_k)}{\det(A)}$ to get

$$x_1 = -43$$

$$x_2 = -109$$

$$x_3 = -17$$

4.3.7: Same as #6.

$$x_1 = 0$$

$$x_2 = -12$$

$$x_3 = 16$$

4.3.10:

Proof: Let M be nilpotent and let k be such that $M^k = 0$. Then, by properties of determinant, we have

$$(\det(M))^k = \det(M^k) = \det(0) = 0$$

So $\det(M)$ is a solution to the equation

$$x^k = 0$$

and hence, it must be that $\det(M) = 0$. \square

4.3.12:

Proof: Let Q be orthogonal. Since $\det(A^t) = \det(A)$ for any matrix A , we have

$$1 = \det(I) = \det(QQ^t) = \det(Q)\det(Q^t) = (\det(Q))^2$$

\uparrow
 Q orthogonal

Hence, $\det(Q)$ is a solution to the equation

$$x^2 = 1$$

So, $\det(Q) = \pm 1$. \square

4.4.4:

(a) 0 (c) -49 (e) $-28-i$ (g) 95

(b) 36 (d) 10 (f) $17-3i$ (h) -100

5.1.2:

$$(a) [T]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Not diagonal, so not a basis of eigenvectors

$$(b) [T]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Is diagonal, so is a basis of eigenvectors

$$(c) [T]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Is diagonal, so is a basis of eigenvectors

$$(d) [T]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Not diagonal, so not a basis of eigenvectors

$$(e) [T]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Not diagonal, so not a basis of eigenvectors

$$(f) [T]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Is diagonal, so is a basis of eigenvectors

5.1.3:

$$(a) (i) \lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_2 = 4$$

$$(ii) E_{\lambda_1} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -a \\ a \end{bmatrix} \mid a \in F \right\}$$

$$E_{\lambda_2} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3}a \\ a \end{bmatrix} \mid a \in F \right\}$$

$$(iii) \text{ One basis is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$(iv) \text{ One } Q \text{ is } \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2/3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) (i) \lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 2, \lambda_3 = 3$$

$$(ii) E_{\lambda_1} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -a \\ -a \\ a \end{bmatrix} \mid a \in F \right\}$$

$$E_{\lambda_2} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -a \\ a \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid a \in F \right\}$$

$$E_{\lambda_3} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -a \\ 0 \\ a \end{bmatrix} \mid a \in F \right\}$$

$$(iii) \text{ One basis is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$(iv) \text{ One } Q \text{ is } \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) (i) \lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -1$$

$$(ii) E_{\lambda_1} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{i+1}{2}a \\ a \end{bmatrix} \mid a \in F \right\}$$

$$E_{\lambda_2} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{i-1}{2}a \\ a \end{bmatrix} \mid a \in F \right\}$$

$$(iii) \text{ One basis is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{i+1}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{i-1}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$(iv) \text{ One } Q \text{ is } \begin{bmatrix} \frac{i+1}{2} & \frac{i-1}{2} \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) (i) $\lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 1$

(ii) $E_{\lambda_1} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}a \\ 2a \\ a \end{bmatrix} \mid a \in F \right\}$

$E_{\lambda_2} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ a \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b \in F \right\}$

(iii) One basis is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(iv) One Q is $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

5.14:

(a) $\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 4$

One basis is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3/5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(b) $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -1, \lambda_3 = 2$

One basis is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(c) $\lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_2 = 2$

One basis is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(d) $\lambda_1 = -2, \lambda_2 = -3$

One basis is $\{2+x, \frac{3}{2}+x\}$

(e) $\lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 = 2, \lambda_3 = 4$

One basis is $\{-3+x, -\frac{3}{4}-\frac{13}{4}x+x^2, 1+x\}$

(f) $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 3$

One basis is $\{-2+x, -4+x^2, -8+x^3, x\}$

(g) $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -1, \lambda_3 = 2, \lambda_4 = 3$

One basis is $\{-1+x, 1, -\frac{2}{3}+x^2, -\frac{7}{2}+3x+x^3\}$

(h) $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_4 = -1$

One basis is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(i) $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -1$

One basis is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(j) $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -1, \lambda_3 = 5$ One basis is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

5.1.17 This was done in detail in discussion.

(a) If $A = \lambda A^t$, then since transpose only swaps elements of a matrix without affecting values, we must have $\lambda = \pm 1$.

(b) For $\lambda = 1$, $A = A^t$ so A is symmetric.

For $\lambda = -1$, $A = -A^t$ so A is antisymmetric.

(c) $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(d) For $k, l \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ with $k < l$ define matrices $A_k, B(k, l), C(k, l)$ in $M_n(F)$

as follows

$$(A_k)_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j=k \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$(B(k, l))_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=k, j=l \\ 1 & \text{if } i=l, j=k \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$(C(k, l))_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=k, j=l \\ -1 & \text{if } i=l, j=k \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

Then, the set

$\{A_k \mid k=1, \dots, n\} \cup \{B(k, l), C(k, l) \mid k, l \in \{1, \dots, n\}, k < l\}$

is a basis of eigenvectors.

5.1.22: This was done in detail in discussion.

(a) Let $g(t) = a_n t^n + \dots + a_1 t + a_0$. Then,

$$g(T)(x) = a_n T^n(x) + \dots + a_1 T(x) + a_0 I(x)$$

$$= a_n \lambda^n x + \dots + a_1 \lambda x + a_0 x$$

$$= (a_n \lambda^n + \dots + a_1 \lambda + a_0) x$$

$$= g(\lambda) x$$

(b) Just replace every " T " in the statement/proof by $M \in M_n(F)$

(c) We have

$$\begin{aligned} g(A) &= 2A^2 - A + I = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 6 \\ 9 & 10 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 12 \\ 18 & 20 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 10 \\ 15 & 19 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$g(A) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 58 \\ 87 \end{bmatrix} = 29 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = g(4) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$