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1. Problems from the book:

- (a) Section 6.1: 4, 7, 11, 27.
- (b) Section 6.2: 4, 16, 18, 26.

## Problem Set 6.1

- 1 The example at the start of the chapter has powers of this matrix  $A$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} .8 & .3 \\ .2 & .7 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} .70 & .45 \\ .30 & .55 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A^\infty = \begin{bmatrix} .6 & .6 \\ .4 & .4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find the eigenvalues of these matrices. All powers have the same eigenvectors.

- (a) Show from  $A$  how a row exchange can produce different eigenvalues.  
 (b) Why is a zero eigenvalue *not* changed by the steps of elimination?
- 2 Find the eigenvalues and the eigenvectors of these two matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A + I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$A + I$  has the \_\_\_\_\_ eigenvectors as  $A$ . Its eigenvalues are \_\_\_\_\_ by 1.

- 3 Compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$  and  $A^{-1}$ . Check the trace!

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 & 1 \\ 1/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$A^{-1}$  has the \_\_\_\_\_ eigenvectors as  $A$ . When  $A$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ , its inverse has eigenvalues \_\_\_\_\_.

- 4 Compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$  and  $A^2$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 \\ -2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$A^2$  has the same \_\_\_\_\_ as  $A$ . When  $A$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ ,  $A^2$  has eigenvalues \_\_\_\_\_. In this example, why is  $\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2 = 13$ ?

- 5 Find the eigenvalues of  $A$  and  $B$  (easy for triangular matrices) and  $A + B$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Eigenvalues of  $A + B$  (are equal to)(are not equal to) eigenvalues of  $A$  plus eigenvalues of  $B$ .

- 6 Find the eigenvalues of  $A$  and  $B$  and  $AB$  and  $BA$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad BA = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Are the eigenvalues of  $AB$  equal to eigenvalues of  $A$  times eigenvalues of  $B$ ?  
 (b) Are the eigenvalues of  $AB$  equal to the eigenvalues of  $BA$ ?

- 7 Elimination produces  $A = LU$ . The eigenvalues of  $U$  are on its diagonal; they are the \_\_\_\_\_. The eigenvalues of  $L$  are on its diagonal; they are all \_\_\_\_\_. The eigenvalues of  $A$  are not the same as \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 (a) If you know that  $x$  is an eigenvector, the way to find  $\lambda$  is to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (b) If you know that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue, the way to find  $x$  is to \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 What do you do to the equation  $Ax = \lambda x$ , in order to prove (a), (b), and (c)?
- (a)  $\lambda^2$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^2$ , as in Problem 4.  
 (b)  $\lambda^{-1}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$ , as in Problem 3.  
 (c)  $\lambda + 1$  is an eigenvalue of  $A + I$ , as in Problem 2.
- 10 Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors for both of these Markov matrices  $A$  and  $A^\infty$ . Explain from those answers why  $A^{100}$  is close to  $A^\infty$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} .6 & .2 \\ .4 & .8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A^\infty = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 2/3 & 2/3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 11 Here is a strange fact about 2 by 2 matrices with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$ : The columns of  $A - \lambda_1 I$  are multiples of the eigenvector  $x_2$ . Any idea why this should be?
- 12 Find three eigenvectors for this matrix  $P$  (projection matrices have  $\lambda = 1$  and 0):

$$\text{Projection matrix} \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} .2 & .4 & 0 \\ .4 & .8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If two eigenvectors share the same  $\lambda$ , so do all their linear combinations. Find an eigenvector of  $P$  with no zero components.

- 13 From the unit vector  $u = \left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{3}{6}, \frac{5}{6}\right)$  construct the rank one projection matrix  $P = uu^T$ . This matrix has  $P^2 = P$  because  $u^T u = 1$ .
- (a)  $Pu = u$  comes from  $(uu^T)u = u(\text{_____})$ . Then  $u$  is an eigenvector with  $\lambda = 1$ .  
 (b) If  $v$  is perpendicular to  $u$  show that  $Pv = 0$ . Then  $\lambda = 0$ .  
 (c) Find three independent eigenvectors of  $P$  all with eigenvalue  $\lambda = 0$ .
- 14 Solve  $\det(Q - \lambda I) = 0$  by the quadratic formula to reach  $\lambda = \cos \theta \pm i \sin \theta$ :

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{rotates the } xy \text{ plane by the angle } \theta. \text{ No real } \lambda \text{'s.}$$

Find the eigenvectors of  $Q$  by solving  $(Q - \lambda I)x = 0$ . Use  $i^2 = -1$ .

- 15 Every permutation matrix leaves  $x = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$  unchanged. Then  $\lambda = 1$ . Find two more  $\lambda$ 's (possibly complex) for these permutations, from  $\det(P - \lambda I) = 0$ :

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 16 **The determinant of  $A$  equals the product  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \cdots \lambda_n$ .** Start with the polynomial  $\det(A - \lambda I)$  separated into its  $n$  factors (always possible). Then set  $\lambda = 0$ :

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda_1 - \lambda)(\lambda_2 - \lambda) \cdots (\lambda_n - \lambda) \quad \text{so} \quad \det A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}.$$

Check this rule in Example 1 where the Markov matrix has  $\lambda = 1$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

- 17 The sum of the diagonal entries (the *trace*) equals the sum of the eigenvalues:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{has} \quad \det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - (a + d)\lambda + ad - bc = 0.$$

The quadratic formula gives the eigenvalues  $\lambda = (a + d + \sqrt{\quad})/2$  and  $\lambda = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ . Their sum is  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ . If  $A$  has  $\lambda_1 = 3$  and  $\lambda_2 = 4$  then  $\det(A - \lambda I) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

- 18 If  $A$  has  $\lambda_1 = 4$  and  $\lambda_2 = 5$  then  $\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda - 4)(\lambda - 5) = \lambda^2 - 9\lambda + 20$ . Find three matrices that have trace  $a + d = 9$  and determinant 20 and  $\lambda = 4, 5$ .
- 19 A 3 by 3 matrix  $B$  is known to have eigenvalues 0, 1, 2. This information is enough to find three of these (give the answers where possible):
- the rank of  $B$
  - the determinant of  $B^T B$
  - the eigenvalues of  $B^T B$
  - the eigenvalues of  $(B^2 + I)^{-1}$ .
- 20 Choose the last rows of  $A$  and  $C$  to give eigenvalues 4, 7 and 1, 2, 3:

**Companion matrices**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ * & * \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 21 **The eigenvalues of  $A$  equal the eigenvalues of  $A^T$ .** This is because  $\det(A - \lambda I)$  equals  $\det(A^T - \lambda I)$ . That is true because  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ . Show by an example that the eigenvectors of  $A$  and  $A^T$  are *not* the same.
- 22 Construct any 3 by 3 Markov matrix  $M$ : positive entries down each column add to 1. Show that  $M^T(1, 1, 1) = (1, 1, 1)$ . By Problem 21,  $\lambda = 1$  is also an eigenvalue of  $M$ . Challenge: A 3 by 3 singular Markov matrix with trace  $\frac{1}{2}$  has what  $\lambda$ 's?

- 23 Find three 2 by 2 matrices that have  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$ . The trace is zero and the determinant is zero.  $A$  might not be the zero matrix but check that  $A^2 = 0$ .
- 24 This matrix is singular with rank one. Find three  $\lambda$ 's and three eigenvectors:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [2 \ 1 \ 2] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 25 Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  have the same eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  with the same independent eigenvectors  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . Then  $A = B$ . Reason: Any vector  $x$  is a combination  $c_1x_1 + \dots + c_nx_n$ . What is  $Ax$ ? What is  $Bx$ ?
- 26 The block  $B$  has eigenvalues 1, 2 and  $C$  has eigenvalues 3, 4 and  $D$  has eigenvalues 5, 7. Find the eigenvalues of the 4 by 4 matrix  $A$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 27 Find the rank and the four eigenvalues of  $A$  and  $C$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 28 Subtract  $I$  from the previous  $A$ . Find the  $\lambda$ 's and then the determinants of

$$B = A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad C = I - A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 29 (Review) Find the eigenvalues of  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 30 When  $a + b = c + d$  show that  $(1, 1)$  is an eigenvector and find both eigenvalues:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 31 If we exchange rows 1 and 2 *and* columns 1 and 2, the eigenvalues don't change. Find eigenvectors of  $A$  and  $B$  for  $\lambda = 11$ . Rank one gives  $\lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 0$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 \\ 4 & 8 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = PAP^T = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 8 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 32 Suppose  $A$  has eigenvalues 0, 3, 5 with independent eigenvectors  $u, v, w$ .
- Give a basis for the nullspace and a basis for the column space.
  - Find a particular solution to  $Ax = v + w$ . Find all solutions.
  - $Ax = u$  has no solution. If it did then \_\_\_\_\_ would be in the column space.
- 33 Suppose  $u, v$  are orthonormal vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^2$ , and  $A = uv^T$ . Compute  $A^2 = uv^T uv^T$  to discover the eigenvalues of  $A$ . Check that the trace of  $A$  agrees with  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2$ .
- 34 Find the eigenvalues of this permutation matrix  $P$  from  $\det(P - \lambda I) = 0$ . Which vectors are not changed by the permutation? They are eigenvectors for  $\lambda = 1$ . Can you find three more eigenvectors?

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

### Challenge Problems

- 35 There are six 3 by 3 permutation matrices  $P$ . What numbers can be the *determinants* of  $P$ ? What numbers can be *pivots*? What numbers can be the *trace* of  $P$ ? What *four numbers* can be eigenvalues of  $P$ , as in Problem 15?
- 36 Is there a real 2 by 2 matrix (other than  $I$ ) with  $A^3 = I$ ? Its eigenvalues must satisfy  $\lambda^3 = 1$ . They can be  $e^{2\pi i/3}$  and  $e^{-2\pi i/3}$ . What trace and determinant would this give? Construct a rotation matrix as  $A$  (which angle of rotation?).
- 37 (a) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$ . They depend on  $c$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} .4 & 1 - c \\ .6 & c \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Show that  $A$  has just one line of eigenvectors when  $c = 1.6$ .
- This is a Markov matrix when  $c = .8$ . Then  $A^n$  will approach what matrix  $A^\infty$ ?

**Solution** What are the eigenvalues of the all-ones matrix  $\mathbf{ones}(4)$ ? Its rank is certainly 1, so three eigenvalues are  $\lambda = 0, 0, 0$ . Its trace is 4, so the other eigenvalue is  $\lambda = 4$ . Subtract this all-ones matrix from  $5I$  to get our matrix  $A$ :

Subtract the eigenvalues 4, 0, 0, 0 from 5, 5, 5, 5. The eigenvalues of  $A$  are 1, 5, 5, 5.

The determinant of  $A$  is 125, the product of those four eigenvalues. The eigenvector for  $\lambda = 1$  is  $\mathbf{x} = (1, 1, 1, 1)$  or  $(c, c, c, c)$ . The other eigenvectors are perpendicular to  $\mathbf{x}$  (since  $A$  is symmetric). The nicest eigenvector matrix  $S$  is the symmetric orthogonal Hadamard matrix  $H$  (normalized to unit column vectors):

$$\text{Orthonormal eigenvectors } S = H = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = H^T = H^{-1}.$$

The eigenvalues of  $A^{-1}$  are  $1, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}$ . The eigenvectors are not changed so  $A^{-1} = H\Lambda^{-1}H^{-1}$ . The inverse matrix is surprisingly neat:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{5} * (\mathbf{eye}(4) + \mathbf{ones}(4)) = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$A$  is a rank-one change from  $5I$ . So  $A^{-1}$  is a rank-one change  $I/5 + \mathbf{ones}/5$ .

The determinant 125 counts the "spanning trees" in a graph with 5 nodes (all edges included). *Trees have no loops* (graphs and trees are in Section 8.2).

With 6 nodes, the matrix  $6 * \mathbf{eye}(5) - \mathbf{ones}(5)$  has the five eigenvalues 1, 6, 6, 6, 6.

## Problem Set 6.2

Questions 1–7 are about the eigenvalue and eigenvector matrices  $\Lambda$  and  $S$ .

- 1 (a) Factor these two matrices into  $A = SAS^{-1}$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b) If  $A = SAS^{-1}$  then  $A^3 = ( ) ( ) ( )$  and  $A^{-1} = ( ) ( ) ( )$ .

- 2 If  $A$  has  $\lambda_1 = 2$  with eigenvector  $\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\lambda_2 = 5$  with  $\mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , use  $S\Lambda S^{-1}$  to find  $A$ . No other matrix has the same  $\lambda$ 's and  $\mathbf{x}$ 's.
- 3 Suppose  $A = SAS^{-1}$ . What is the eigenvalue matrix for  $A + 2I$ ? What is the eigenvector matrix? Check that  $A + 2I = ( ) ( ) ( )^{-1}$ .

- 4 True or false: If the columns of  $S$  (eigenvectors of  $A$ ) are linearly independent, then
- (a)  $A$  is invertible      (b)  $A$  is diagonalizable  
 (c)  $S$  is invertible      (d)  $S$  is diagonalizable.
- 5 If the eigenvectors of  $A$  are the columns of  $I$ , then  $A$  is a \_\_\_\_\_ matrix. If the eigenvector matrix  $S$  is triangular, then  $S^{-1}$  is triangular. Prove that  $A$  is also triangular.
- 6 Describe all matrices  $S$  that diagonalize this matrix  $A$  (find all eigenvectors):

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then describe all matrices that diagonalize  $A^{-1}$ .

- 7 Write down the most general matrix that has eigenvectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Questions 8–10 are about Fibonacci and Gibonacci numbers.**

- 8 Diagonalize the Fibonacci matrix by completing  $S^{-1}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \phantom{\lambda_1} \\ \phantom{\lambda_2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Do the multiplication  $S\Lambda^k S^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  to find its second component. This is the  $k$ th Fibonacci number  $F_k = (\lambda_1^k - \lambda_2^k) / (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)$ .

- 9 Suppose  $G_{k+2}$  is the *average* of the two previous numbers  $G_{k+1}$  and  $G_k$ :

$$\begin{aligned} G_{k+2} &= \frac{1}{2}G_{k+1} + \frac{1}{2}G_k & \text{is} & & \begin{bmatrix} G_{k+2} \\ G_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} &= & \begin{bmatrix} A \\ \phantom{A} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} G_{k+1} \\ G_k \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$ .  
 (b) Find the limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  of the matrices  $A^n = S\Lambda^n S^{-1}$ .  
 (c) If  $G_0 = 0$  and  $G_1 = 1$  show that the Gibonacci numbers approach  $\frac{2}{3}$ .
- 10 Prove that every third Fibonacci number in  $0, 1, 1, 2, 3, \dots$  is even.

**Questions 11–14 are about diagonalizability.**

- 11 True or false: If the eigenvalues of  $A$  are 2, 2, 5 then the matrix is certainly
- (a) invertible      (b) diagonalizable      (c) not diagonalizable.
- 12 True or false: If the only eigenvectors of  $A$  are multiples of  $(1, 4)$  then  $A$  has
- (a) no inverse      (b) a repeated eigenvalue      (c) no diagonalization  $S\Lambda S^{-1}$ .



- 13 Complete these matrices so that  $\det A = 25$ . Then check that  $\lambda = 5$  is repeated—the trace is 10 so the determinant of  $A - \lambda I$  is  $(\lambda - 5)^2$ . Find an eigenvector with  $Ax = 5x$ . These matrices will not be diagonalizable because there is no second line of eigenvectors.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & \\ & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 4 \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 5 \\ -5 & \end{bmatrix}$$

- 14 The matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  is not diagonalizable because the rank of  $A - 3I$  is \_\_\_\_\_. Change one entry to make  $A$  diagonalizable. Which entries could you change?

**Questions 15–19 are about powers of matrices.**

- 15  $A^k = S\Lambda^k S^{-1}$  approaches the zero matrix as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  if and only if every  $\lambda$  has absolute value less than \_\_\_\_\_. Which of these matrices has  $A^k \rightarrow 0$ ?

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} .6 & .9 \\ .4 & .1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} .6 & .9 \\ .1 & .6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 16 (Recommended) Find  $\Lambda$  and  $S$  to diagonalize  $A_1$  in Problem 15. What is the limit of  $\Lambda^k$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ? What is the limit of  $S\Lambda^k S^{-1}$ ? In the columns of this limiting matrix you see the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 17 Find  $\Lambda$  and  $S$  to diagonalize  $A_2$  in Problem 15. What is  $(A_2)^{10}u_0$  for these  $u_0$ ?

$$u_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad u_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad u_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 18 Diagonalize  $A$  and compute  $S\Lambda^k S^{-1}$  to prove this formula for  $A^k$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{has} \quad A^k = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 3^k & 1 - 3^k \\ 1 - 3^k & 1 + 3^k \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 19 Diagonalize  $B$  and compute  $S\Lambda^k S^{-1}$  to prove this formula for  $B^k$ :

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{has} \quad B^k = \begin{bmatrix} 5^k & 5^k - 4^k \\ 0 & 4^k \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 20 Suppose  $A = S\Lambda S^{-1}$ . Take determinants to prove  $\det A = \det \Lambda = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \cdots \lambda_n$ . This quick proof only works when  $A$  can be \_\_\_\_\_.

- 21 Show that  $\text{trace } ST = \text{trace } TS$ , by adding the diagonal entries of  $ST$  and  $TS$ :

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad T = \begin{bmatrix} q & r \\ s & t \end{bmatrix}.$$

Choose  $T$  as  $\Lambda S^{-1}$ . Then  $S\Lambda S^{-1}$  has the same trace as  $\Lambda S^{-1}S = \Lambda$ . The trace of  $A$  equals the trace of  $\Lambda =$  sum of the eigenvalues.

- 22  $AB - BA = I$  is impossible since the left side has trace = \_\_\_\_\_. But find an elimination matrix so that  $A = E$  and  $B = E^T$  give

$$AB - BA = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{which has trace zero.}$$

- 23 If  $A = SAS^{-1}$ , diagonalize the block matrix  $B = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & 2A \end{bmatrix}$ . Find its eigenvalue and eigenvector (block) matrices.

- 24 Consider all 4 by 4 matrices  $A$  that are diagonalized by the same fixed eigenvector matrix  $S$ . Show that the  $A$ 's form a subspace ( $cA$  and  $A_1 + A_2$  have this same  $S$ ). What is this subspace when  $S = I$ ? What is its dimension?

- 25 Suppose  $A^2 = A$ . On the left side  $A$  multiplies each column of  $A$ . Which of our four subspaces contains eigenvectors with  $\lambda = 1$ ? Which subspace contains eigenvectors with  $\lambda = 0$ ? From the dimensions of those subspaces,  $A$  has a full set of independent eigenvectors. So a matrix with  $A^2 = A$  can be diagonalized.

- 26 (Recommended) Suppose  $Ax = \lambda x$ . If  $\lambda = 0$  then  $x$  is in the nullspace. If  $\lambda \neq 0$  then  $x$  is in the column space. Those spaces have dimensions  $(n - r) + r = n$ . So why doesn't every square matrix have  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors?

- 27 The eigenvalues of  $A$  are 1 and 9, and the eigenvalues of  $B$  are  $-1$  and 9:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find a matrix square root of  $A$  from  $R = S\sqrt{\Lambda}S^{-1}$ . Why is there no real matrix square root of  $B$ ?

- 28 (Heisenberg's Uncertainty Principle)  $AB - BA = I$  can happen for infinite matrices with  $A = A^T$  and  $B = -B^T$ . Then

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T A B \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^T B A \mathbf{x} \leq 2 \|A\mathbf{x}\| \|B\mathbf{x}\|.$$

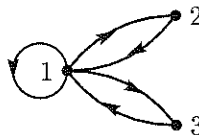
Explain that last step by using the Schwarz inequality. Then Heisenberg's inequality says that  $\|A\mathbf{x}\|/\|\mathbf{x}\|$  times  $\|B\mathbf{x}\|/\|\mathbf{x}\|$  is at least  $\frac{1}{2}$ . It is impossible to get the position error and momentum error both very small.

- 29 If  $A$  and  $B$  have the same  $\lambda$ 's with the same independent eigenvectors, their factorizations into \_\_\_\_\_ are the same. So  $A = B$ .
- 30 Suppose the same  $S$  diagonalizes both  $A$  and  $B$ . They have the same eigenvectors in  $A = SA_1S^{-1}$  and  $B = SA_2S^{-1}$ . Prove that  $AB = BA$ .
- 31 (a) If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix}$  then the determinant of  $A - \lambda I$  is  $(\lambda - a)(\lambda - d)$ . Check the "Cayley-Hamilton Theorem" that  $(A - aI)(A - dI) = \text{zero matrix}$ .
- (b) Test the Cayley-Hamilton Theorem on Fibonacci's  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . The theorem predicts that  $A^2 - A - I = 0$ , since the polynomial  $\det(A - \lambda I)$  is  $\lambda^2 - \lambda - 1$ .

- 32 Substitute  $A = SAS^{-1}$  into the product  $(A - \lambda_1 I)(A - \lambda_2 I) \cdots (A - \lambda_n I)$  and explain why this produces the zero matrix. We are substituting the matrix  $A$  for the number  $\lambda$  in the polynomial  $p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$ . The **Cayley-Hamilton Theorem** says that this product is always  $p(A) = \text{zero matrix}$ , even if  $A$  is not diagonalizable.
- 33 Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors and the  $k$ th power of  $A$ . For this “adjacency matrix” the  $i, j$  entry of  $A^k$  counts the  $k$ -step paths from  $i$  to  $j$ .

1's in  $A$  show  
edges between nodes

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



- 34 If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $AB = BA$ , show that  $B = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  is also a diagonal matrix.  $B$  has the same eigen\_\_\_\_\_ as  $A$  but different eigen\_\_\_\_\_. These diagonal matrices  $B$  form a two-dimensional subspace of matrix space.  $AB - BA = 0$  gives four equations for the unknowns  $a, b, c, d$ —find the rank of the 4 by 4 matrix.
- 35 The powers  $A^k$  approach zero if all  $|\lambda_i| < 1$  and they blow up if any  $|\lambda_i| > 1$ . Peter Lax gives these striking examples in his book *Linear Algebra*:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ -3 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6.9 \\ -3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\|A^{1024}\| > 10^{700} \quad B^{1024} = I \quad C^{1024} = -C \quad \|D^{1024}\| < 10^{-78}$$

Find the eigenvalues  $\lambda = e^{i\theta}$  of  $B$  and  $C$  to show  $B^4 = I$  and  $C^3 = -I$ .

### Challenge Problems

- 36 The  $n$ th power of rotation through  $\theta$  is rotation through  $n\theta$ :

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}^n = \begin{bmatrix} \cos n\theta & -\sin n\theta \\ \sin n\theta & \cos n\theta \end{bmatrix}.$$

Prove that neat formula by diagonalizing  $A = SAS^{-1}$ . The eigenvectors (columns of  $S$ ) are  $(1, i)$  and  $(i, 1)$ . You need to know Euler's formula  $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ .

- 37 The transpose of  $A = SAS^{-1}$  is  $A^T = (S^{-1})^T \Lambda S^T$ . The eigenvectors in  $A^T y = \lambda y$  are the columns of that matrix  $(S^{-1})^T$ . They are often called **left eigenvectors**. How do you multiply matrices to find this formula for  $A$ ?

$$\text{Sum of rank-1 matrices} \quad A = SAS^{-1} = \lambda_1 x_1 y_1^T + \cdots + \lambda_n x_n y_n^T.$$

- 38 The inverse of  $A = \text{eye}(n) + \text{ones}(n)$  is  $A^{-1} = \text{eye}(n) + C * \text{ones}(n)$ . Multiply  $AA^{-1}$  to find that number  $C$  (depending on  $n$ ).