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MATH 54 MIDTERM 2
SUMMER 2011 - SECTION 5 - ALEX KRUCKMAN

Please put away everything except scratch paper and pencils/pens.
 You have 110 minutes to complete this exam, which ends at 2pm sharp.
 Write your answers, including complete justifications, in the spaces provided below.
 If you finish early or have a question, please make your way to the front of the room,
 taking care not to disturb the other test takers!

(1) (12 points) Consider the matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 & -4 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 & 5 & 4 \\ -2 & -4 & -7 & 1 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Find a basis for Row(A).
- (b) Find a basis for Col(A).
- (c) Find a basis for Nul(A).

Row reduce: $A \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 7 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

a) Row A: $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ (pivot rows)

b) Col A: $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ -4 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ (pivot columns)

c) If \vec{x} is in Nul(A),

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -2x_2 + x_5 \\ x_2 \\ -x_5 \\ 0 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Nul A: $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

(2) (12 points) Suppose that the characteristic polynomial of a matrix A is $\lambda^3 - 2\lambda^2 + 2\lambda$. For each question below: answer the question or write "not enough information given" and explain.

- (a) If A is $m \times n$, what are m and n ?
 (b) Is A invertible?
 (c) Is there a vector \bar{v} such that $A\bar{v} = \bar{v}$?
 (d) Is A diagonalizable over \mathbb{R} ?
 (e) Is A diagonalizable over \mathbb{C} ?
 (f) What is $\dim(\text{Row}(A))$?

The characteristic polynomial factors as $\lambda(\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 2)$. It has roots 0 and

$$\lambda = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 2}}{2 \cdot 1} = 1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{-4}}{2} = 1 \pm i.$$

a) $m = n = 3$. The characteristic polynomial only makes sense for $n \times n$ matrices, in which case it has degree n .

b) No. A has 0 as an eigenvalue, so it is singular.

c) No. If such a \bar{v} existed, it would be an eigenvector of A with eigenvalue 1. But 1 is not an eigenvalue of A .

d) No. The characteristic polynomial of A has complex roots. Any diagonal matrix similar to A cannot have all real entries.

e) Yes. A has 3 distinct eigenvalues in \mathbb{C} , so it has 3 linearly independent eigenvectors and is diagonalizable.

f) $\dim(\text{Row}(A)) = 2$. Since 0 appears as a single root of $|A - \lambda I|$, the dimension of $\text{Null}(A)$, the 0 eigenspace, is at most 1.

$$\text{So } \dim(\text{Row}(A)) = \text{rank}(A) = 3 - \dim(\text{Null}(A)) = 2.$$

And in fact it's exactly 1, since 0 is an eigenvalue!

- (3) (8 points) Let $T: \mathbb{P}_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_3$ be the linear transformation given by $T(p(x)) = x \left(\frac{d}{dx} p(x) \right)$. You do not need to show that T is a linear transformation.
- (a) Find the coordinate matrix for T with respect to the basis $\mathcal{B} = \{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$ for \mathbb{P}_3 . This is denoted $[T]_{\mathcal{B}}$ or $[T]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}}$.
- (b) What are the eigenvalues of $[T]_{\mathcal{B}}$? For each eigenvalue, give an eigenvector in \mathbb{R}^4 and the corresponding polynomial in \mathbb{P}_3 .

$$a) [T]_{\mathcal{B}} = \left([T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad [T(b_3)]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad [T(b_4)]_{\mathcal{B}} \right)$$

$$T(1) = x \cdot 0 = 0, \quad [T(1)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(x) = x \cdot 1 = x, \quad [T(x)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(x^2) = x(2x) = 2x^2, \quad [T(x^2)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(x^3) = x(3x^2) = 3x^3, \quad [T(x^3)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } [T]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

b) Eigenvalues: 0, 1, 2, 3.

$$0: \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow 1$$

$$1: \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow x$$

$$2: \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow x^2$$

$$3: \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow x^3$$

eigenvectors corresponding polynomials

Note that $[T]_{\mathcal{B}}$ is diagonal, so the standard basis vectors are eigenvectors.

- (4) (8 points) Let V be a vector space with a basis $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4\}$, and let W be a subspace of V which is not the subspace $\{0\}$.
- (a) Explain why W has a basis.
- (b) Suppose \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2 , and \bar{v}_3 are in W , but \bar{v}_4 is not in W . Explain why $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3\}$ is a basis for W .

(a) W is a subspace of V and V is finite dimensional, so W is finite-dimensional and $\dim(W) \leq \dim(V)$. In particular, since W has a finite dimension, it has a basis.

Alternative answer: Since $W \neq \{0\}$, there is some nonzero \bar{w} in W . $S = \{\bar{w}\}$ is a linearly independent set (since $\bar{w} \neq 0$), so by the expansion theorem, some expansion of S is a basis for W .

(b) $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3\}$ is linearly independent, since it is part of a basis for V . Since W contains 3 linearly independent vectors, $\dim(W) \geq 3$. But also $\dim(W) < 4$, since \bar{v}_4 is not in W , so $W \neq V$. Hence $\dim(W) = 3$. We conclude: Any linearly independent set of 3 vectors in W is a basis, so $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3\}$ is a basis for W .

(5) (10 points) Consider the matrix:

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

- (a) List the eigenvalues of A and their algebraic multiplicities.
 (b) If A is diagonalizable, find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that $D = P^{-1}AP$ (you are not required to show that P is invertible or to find P^{-1}). If A is not diagonalizable, explain why not.
 (c) Compute A^{12} .
 (d) Find B such that $AB = A$. **Hint:** There is a way to do this without any further calculations.

$$\begin{aligned} |A - \lambda I| &= \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -3-\lambda & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} -3-\lambda & 2 \\ -3 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (1-\lambda)((-3-\lambda)(2-\lambda) + 6) = (1-\lambda)(\lambda^2 + \lambda) \\ &= \lambda(1-\lambda)(\lambda+1). \end{aligned}$$

a) Eigenvalues: $0, 1, -1$. All multiplicity 1 .

b) 0 -eigenvalue: $A \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1/3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
 $\bar{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_3 \\ x_3 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$. Taking $x_3 = 3$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$. x_3 free

1 -eigenvalue: $A - I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
 $\bar{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Taking $x_1 = 1$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. x_1 free

(-1) -eigenvalue: $A + I = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1/2 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
 $\bar{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ x_2 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$. Taking $x_2 = 1$, $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. x_2 free

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We had $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Finding P^{-1} : $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 & -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1/2 & 1 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1/2 & 1 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/2 & 0 & -3/2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

c) $A^{42} = PD^{42}P^{-1} = P \begin{pmatrix} 0^{42} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1^{42} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (-1)^{42} \end{pmatrix} P^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

d) If k is odd, $A^k = PD^kP^{-1} = PDP^{-1} = A$,

Since $0^k = 0$, $(-1)^k = -1$, and $1^k = 1$.

So any even power j of A satisfies $AA^j = A^{j+1} = A$.

In particular, we may take $B = A^{42} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$