

Math 121B, extra problems:

**Exercise 1.** Suppose  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ , has the matrix representation:

$$[T]_\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Where  $\gamma$  is the standard basis. Given that the eigenvalues of  $T$  are 1 and 10.

- (a) Verify that  $\mathcal{E}_1$  and  $\mathcal{E}_{10}$  are orthogonal.
- (b) Find an ordered orthonormal basis  $\beta$ , such that  $[T]_\beta$  is diagonal. What is  $[T]_\beta$ ?
- (c) Give an orthogonal matrix  $P$  such that  $P^*AP$  is diagonal.
- (d) We know that  $\mathbb{R}^3 = \mathcal{E}_1 \oplus \mathcal{E}_{10}$ . So for every vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , there is a unique  $u \in \mathcal{E}_1$  and  $w \in \mathcal{E}_{10}$ , such that  $v = u + w$ , find  $u$  and  $w$  for  $v = (3, 1, 1)$ .

**Solution:** (a) Computing the eigenspace for  $\lambda = 1$ , we have

$$\mathcal{E}_1 = \ker \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \approx \ker \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \text{span}((1, 0, -2), (0, 1, -2)) = \text{span}(v_1, v_2)$$

Computing the eigenspace for  $\lambda = 10$ , we have

$$\mathcal{E}_{10} = \ker \begin{vmatrix} -5 & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & -5 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -8 \end{vmatrix} \approx \ker \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -5 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \text{span}((2, 2, 1)) = \text{span}(v_3)$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v_1, v_3 \rangle &= \langle (1, 0, -2), (2, 2, 1) \rangle = 0 \\ \langle v_2, v_3 \rangle &= \langle (0, 1, -2), (2, 2, 1) \rangle = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Let  $w_1 = v_1$ , then  $w_2$  is given by the gram-schmit process,

$$w_2 = v_2 - \frac{\langle w_1, v_2 \rangle}{\|w_1\|^2} w_1 = (0, 1, -2) - \frac{\langle (1, 0, -2), (0, 1, -2) \rangle}{5} (1, 0, -2) = \frac{1}{5} (4, 5, 2)$$

all we need is something in the span of  $w_2$ , so let  $w_2 = (4, 5, 2)$ , then an orthonormal basis for the eigenspace  $\mathcal{E}_1$  and  $\mathcal{E}_{10}$  are

$$\mathcal{E}_1 = \text{span}\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}(-1, 0, 2), \frac{1}{\sqrt{45}}(4, 5, 2) \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{E}_{10} = \text{span}\left\{ \frac{1}{3}(2, 2, 1) \right\}$$

Now  $\beta = \{\hat{w}_1, \hat{w}_2, \hat{w}_3\}$ , and so  $[T]_\beta$  is given by

$$[T]_\beta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 10 \end{vmatrix}$$

- (c) Let  $P = [\hat{w}_1, \hat{w}_2, \hat{w}_3]$

- (d) want to solve the system  $a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + a_3 v_3 = (3, 1, 1)$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} \approx \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

and so let  $u = (1, 0, -2) - (0, 1, 2) = (1, -1, 0)$ , and let  $w = (2, 2, 1)$ , then  $u + w = (3, 1, 1)$ .

**Exercise 2.** Let  $V$  be an inner product space, and  $W$  be a finite dimensional subspace of  $V$ . Prove that  $x$  belongs to  $W^\perp$  if  $x$  is orthogonal to every member of a basis  $\beta$  of  $W$ .

**Solution:** Let  $\beta = \{w_i\}$  for  $i = 1..n$ . Let  $x$  be orthogonal to every element of  $\beta$ . Now we can write  $w \in W$

$$w = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i w_i$$

Now

$$\langle x, w \rangle = \langle x, \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i w_i \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \langle x, w_i \rangle = 0$$

since  $\langle x, w_i \rangle = 0$  for all  $i$ , therefore  $x \in W^\perp$ .

**Exercise 3.** Let  $V$ , be an inner product space,  $W$  be a subspace of  $V$ , and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ . Suppose  $W$  has a basis of eigenvectors of  $T^*$ . Prove that  $W^\perp$  is  $T$ -invariant.

**Solution:** Let  $v \in \beta$ , and let  $x \in W^\perp$ . Now

$$\langle Tx, v \rangle = \langle x, T^*v \rangle = \langle x, \lambda v \rangle = \bar{\lambda} \langle x, v \rangle = 0$$

This is for all elements  $v \in \beta$ . This implies that if  $x \in W^\perp$ , then  $Tx \in W^\perp$ , i.e.  $W^\perp$  is  $T$ -invariant.

**Exercise 4.** Let  $V$ , be an inner product space,  $W$  be a subspace of  $V$  and let  $\beta$  be an orthonormal basis for  $W$ .

- (a) Prove that for any vector  $v \in V$ , there is a vector  $u \in W$ , such that  $v - u \in W^\perp$ .
- (b) Prove that the  $u$  in part (a) is unique.

**Solution:** (a) let  $\beta = \{w_i\}$  and define  $u$  as follows

$$u = \sum_{j=1}^n \langle v, w_j \rangle w_j$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v - u, w_i \rangle &= \langle v, w_i \rangle - \langle u, w_i \rangle \\ &= \langle v, w_i \rangle - \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^n \langle v, w_j \rangle w_j, w_i \right\rangle \\ &= \langle v, w_i \rangle - \sum_{j=1}^n \langle v, w_j \rangle \langle w_j, w_i \rangle \\ &= \langle v, w_i \rangle - \langle v, w_i \rangle = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $v - u \in W^\perp$

- (b) Suppose  $u, u' \in W$  are two vectors, then  $u - u' \in W$ , and

$$u - u' = (v - u) - (v - u') \Rightarrow u - u' \in W^\perp \Rightarrow u - u' \in W \cap W^\perp \Leftrightarrow u - u' = 0 \therefore u = u'$$

hence we have