

Solutions to MA263 sheet 12.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{1} \quad \det(A - \lambda I) &= -\lambda((-2-\lambda)(7-\lambda)+8) - (\lambda-7-8) + 2(-4-4(2+\lambda)) \\
 &= -\lambda(\lambda^2 - 5\lambda - 6) - \lambda + 15 - 24 - 8\lambda \\
 &= -\lambda^3 + 5\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 9 \\
 &= (\lambda+1)(-\lambda^2 + 6\lambda - 9) \\
 &= -(\lambda+1)(\lambda-3)^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

So the eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1 = -1$  and  $\lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 3$ .

To find the first eigenvector we set  $(A+I)\underline{v}_1 = \underline{0}$ , i.e.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 \\ -4 & 4 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_{11} \\ v_{12} \\ v_{13} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This gives  $v_{11} + v_{12} + 2v_{13} = 0$

$$\text{and } -v_{11} - v_{12} - 4v_{13} = 0$$

so  $v_{11} = 0$ ; then we can choose  $v_{12}$   
(let's choose  $v_{12} = 1$ ) and  $v_{13} = -\frac{v_{12}}{2}$ .

$$\text{So } \underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

For the eigenvector(s) corresponding to  $\lambda_2 = 3$ , we

$$\text{set } \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -5 & -2 \\ -4 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_{21} \\ v_{22} \\ v_{23} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This time we can choose  $v_{21}$  as we like, so let's choose  $v_{21} = 1$ . Then  $-3v_{21} + v_{22} + 2v_{23} = 0$

$$\text{and } -v_{21} - 5v_{22} - 2v_{23} = 0$$

$$\text{so } -4 - 4v_{22} = 0, \text{ so } v_{22} = -1 \text{ and } v_{23} = 2.$$

Thus there is ~~is~~ only one (LI) eigenvector,  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda_2 = 3$ .

We look now for solutions of the form

$$\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} t e^{3t} + \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} e^{3t}.$$

$$\frac{d\underline{x}}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} e^{3t} + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} t e^{3t} + \begin{pmatrix} 3a \\ 3b \\ 3c \end{pmatrix} e^{3t}$$

$$\text{and } A\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} t e^{3t} + \begin{pmatrix} b+2c \\ -a-2b-2c \\ -4a+4b+7c \end{pmatrix} e^{3t}$$

$$\text{so we need } b+2c = 1+3a, \quad (1)$$

$$-a-2b-2c = -1+3b, \quad (2)$$

$$-4a+4b+7c = 2+3c. \quad (3)$$

We choose  $a=1$ , and then (taking  $2 \times (2) + (3)$ ) get  
 $b=-1$  and  $c=\frac{5}{2}$ .

Thus the general solution is

$$\underline{x} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} e^{-t} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} e^{3t} + c_3 \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} t e^{3t} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix} e^{3t} \right).$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \underline{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} c_2 + c_3 &= 1 \\ c_1 - c_2 - c_3 &= 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2}c_1 + 2c_2 + \frac{5}{2}c_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c_2 &= 1 - c_3 \Rightarrow c_1 = 1, \\ c_2 &= 4, c_3 = -3. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} e^{-t} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} e^{3t} - 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} t e^{3t}.$$