

## Linear Algebra. Pre-final practice

### Major Topics

#### Review:

- *Matrices*: how to calculate sum and products.
- *Special matrices*: transpose, inverse, symmetric, skew-symmetric, diagonal, orthogonal.
- *Determinants*: calculate (2x2). Simple properties [ $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$ ]
- *Eigenvalues*: how to find them
- *Eigenvectors*: definition, how to find them, properties
- *Diagonalization*: how to do it
- *Gaussian elimination*: how to do it, rank

1. Two matrices are given:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find  $A^2$

$$A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find  $AB$ .

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & -2 \\ -2 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Verify that  $A(A+B) = A^2 + AB$ .

$$A+B = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$A(A+B) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 17 \end{pmatrix};$$

$$A^2 + AB = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -4 & -2 \\ -2 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 17 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find  $A^{-1}$ : [ $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} (A_{jk})^T$ , using cofactors; for 2x2]:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{pmatrix} a_{22} & -a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = -9;$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{-9} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{9} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Find } \det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det A} = -1/9;$$

Find the eigenvalues of  $A$ :

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 4 & 1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = -(1 - \lambda^2) - 8 = \lambda^2 - 9;$$

$$\lambda_1 = 3; \lambda_2 = -3;$$

Find the trace:  $\text{trace}(A) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = a_{11} + a_{22} = 3 + (-3) = -1 + 1 = 0$ ;

$$\text{Note: } \det A = \lambda_1 \lambda_2$$

Find the linearly independent eigenvectors of  $A$ . Show that you can choose them to be:

$$\mathbf{x}_1^T = (1 \ 2); \mathbf{x}_2^T = (1 \ -1).$$

Using the eigenvectors, let  $P$  be a 2x2 matrix.

$$\lambda_1 = 3 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1-3 & 2 \\ 4 & 1-3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{12} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow -4x_{11} + 2x_{12} = 0$$

$$x_{11} = 1 \Rightarrow x_{12} = 2$$

$$\lambda_2 = -3 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1+3 & 2 \\ 4 & 1+3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{21} \\ x_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow 2x_{21} + 2x_{22} = 0$$

$$x_{11} = 1 \Rightarrow x_{12} = -1$$

Verify that  $P$  can be used to diagonalize  $A$ .

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P^{-1}AP = D; \quad \det(P) = -1 - 2 = -3; \quad P^{-1} = \frac{1}{-3} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P^{-1}AP = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1+4 & -1-2 \\ 4+2 & 4-1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -3 \\ 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 3+6 & 0 \\ 6-6 & -6-3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 0 \\ 0 & -9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix};$$

## Solutions of selected problems of Homework from Chapter 6

### 6.2.3

For

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 & 2 \\ 6 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

find  $C^2$ ,  $C^T C$ ,  $CC^T$ .

The matrix  $C$  is symmetric, therefore

$C^2 = C^T C = CC^T$ . Moreover,  $C^2$  is symmetric because  $C$  is symmetric.

*Proof.*

$C^2 = CC^T$ , thus  $(C^2)^T = (CC^T)^T = (C^T)^T C^T = CC^T = C^2$ ,  
using the property  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

### 6.2.5

For

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad d = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

find  $a^T d$ ,  $a^T d^T$ ,  $da$ ,  $ad$ .

$a^T d$  is not defined.

$a^T d^T = (da)^T = 1*4 + 4*3 + 3*0 = 16$ .

$$ad = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1*4 & 1*3 & 1*0 \\ 4*4 & 4*3 & 4*0 \\ 3*4 & 3*3 & 3*0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 0 \\ 16 & 12 & 0 \\ 12 & 9 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

### 6.2.10(a).

Show that for any  $A$  the matrix  $B = AA^T$  is square and symmetric.

Show that  $AB$  with symmetric  $A$  and  $B$  is symmetric if and only if  $A$  and  $B$  commute.

Find all real square matrices that are  $n$ -both symmetric and skew-symmetric.

Let  $A$  be  $m \times n$ . Then  $A^T$  is  $n \times m$ . Thus  $B = AA^T$  is defined and it is a square matrix of size  $m \times m$ .

To show that is symmetric:

$B^T = (AA^T)^T = AA^T = B$  – symmetric.

Next, we are given that  $AB = A^T B^T$  as  $A$  and  $B$  are symmetric.

$(AB)^T = (A^T B^T)^T = BA = AB$  (as  $A$  and  $B$  commute) –  $AB$  is symmetric.

Also, in the opposite direction, if  $AB$  is symmetric,  $A$  and  $B$  are commute.

**6.7.10. Show that  $(A^2)^{-1}=(A^{-1})^2$**

Consider  $A^2 (A^2)^{-1} = A^2 (A^{-1})^2 = AA A^{-1} A^{-1} = I$ .

Also,  $(A^2)^{-1} A^2 = (A^{-1})^2 A^2 = A^{-1} A^{-1} AA = I$ .

**6.7.12. Show that  $(A^T)^{-1}=(A^{-1})^T$**

Consider  $A^T (A^T)^{-1} = A^T (A^{-1})^T = (A^{-1}A)^T = I^T = I$ , and

$(A^T)^{-1} A^T = (A^{-1})^T A^T = (AA^{-1})^T = I$ .

**6.7.13. Show that  $A^{-1}$  is symmetric if  $A$  is symmetric**

Consider  $(A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1}$  (see prev. problem)

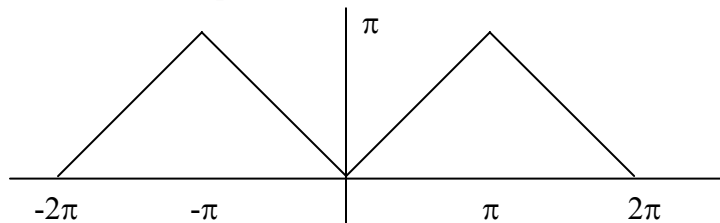
Since  $A$  is symmetric,  $(A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1} = A^{-1}$ .

**Fourier Analysis. Pre-final practice**

Given is the  $2\pi$  periodic function :

$$f(x) = |x| \quad -\pi < x < \pi$$

- a) Sketch a graph of the function on the interval  $(-2\pi, 2\pi)$ .



- b) Characterize the function: odd, or even.

Even

- c) Write the Fourier series:

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx$$

- d) Compute the general formulae for the coefficients:

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x dx = \frac{2x^2}{\pi 2} \Big|_0^{\pi} = \pi,$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos nx dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{x \sin nx}{n} - \frac{1}{n} \int \sin nx dx \right] = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{x \sin nx}{n} + \frac{\cos nx}{n^2} \right] \Big|_0^{\pi} =$$

$$\frac{2 \cos nx}{\pi n^2} \Big|_0^{\pi} = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^n - 1}{n^2} = \begin{cases} \frac{-4}{n^2 \pi}, & \text{if odd} \\ 0, & \text{if even} \end{cases}$$

e) Write the Fourier series in the general form

$$|x| = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(2m-1)x}{(2m-1)^2}.$$

f) Write the first three members of the Fourier series:

$$|x| = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left( \cos x + \frac{1}{9} \cos 3x + \frac{1}{25} \cos 5x + \dots \right), \quad |x| \leq \pi.$$

### Partial Differential Equations. Pre-final practice

Solve the following problem for the wave equation as an infinite sum of terms called *modes* (each mode oscillates infinitely in time  $t$  and dies out -- damping effect):

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - 2r \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2};$$

$L = \pi$  and  $c = 1$ .

Assume that the damping constant  $r$  satisfies the condition:

$0 < r < 1$ .

Write a solution for homogeneous boundary conditions, a given initial displacement  $f(x)$  and initial velocity = 0.

**Solution.**

**Step 1**

Separate variables:

$$u(x, t) = X(x)T(t);$$

$$X''T - 2rXT' = XT''.$$

**Step 2**

Separate PDE:

$$\frac{X''}{X} = \frac{T''}{T} + 2r \frac{T'}{T} = k.$$

**Step 3**

Find eigenvalues and solution of ODE in  $x$ :

$$k = -n^2 \Rightarrow X(x) = E \sin nx,$$

$$n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

**Step 4**

Write ODE in  $t$ :

$$T'' + 2rT' + n^2T = 0.$$

**Step 5**

Write characteristic equation:

$$m^2 + 2rm + n^2 = 0 \Rightarrow$$

**Step 6**

Find its solution

$$m = -r \pm i\sqrt{n^2 - r^2},$$

$$0 < r < 1 \leq n.$$

Write general solution for ODE in  $t$ :

**Step 7**

$$T(t) = e^{-rt} \left\{ C_1 \cos \sqrt{n^2 - r^2} t + D_1 \sin \sqrt{n^2 - r^2} t \right\}.$$

Write general solution for PDE:

$$u(x, t) =$$

**Step 8**

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-rt} \left\{ A_n \cos \sqrt{n^2 - r^2} t + B_n \sin \sqrt{n^2 - r^2} t \right\} \sin nx.$$

Analyze initial conditions:

**Step 9**

$$u(x, 0) = f(x), \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = 0, \quad 0 < x < L.$$

Write general solution of PDE:

**Step 10**

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n e^{-rt} \cos \sqrt{n^2 - r^2} t \sin nx.$$

### Problems from previous tests

1. Given a wave equation,  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$ ,  $0 < x < \pi$ ,  $t > 0$ , with boundary

conditions  $u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0$  and initial conditions  $u(x, 0) = f(x)$  and

$u'(x, 0) = 0$  perform the following:

(i) Using the method of separation of variables show that the general solution for a vibrating string has the form:

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-t/2} (A_n \cos \lambda_n t + B_n \sin \lambda_n t) \sin nx,$$

$A_n, B_n$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ) are arbitrary constants; and

$$\lambda_n = \sqrt{n^2 - \frac{1}{4}}.$$

Solution:

$$u(x, t) = X(x)T(t);$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = \frac{T''}{T} + \frac{T'}{T} = k.$$

$$k = -n^2 \Rightarrow X(x) = E \sin nx,$$

$$n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$T'' + T' + n^2 T = 0.$$

$$T(t) = e^{mt} \Rightarrow m^2 + m + n^2 = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$m = -(1/2) \pm i\sqrt{n^2 - (1/2)^2} = -1/2 \pm i\lambda_n.$$

$$(\lambda_n = \sqrt{n^2 - (1/2)^2})$$

$$T_n(t) = A_n e^{-t/2} \cos \lambda_n t + B_n e^{-t/2} \sin \lambda_n t ;$$

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n(x) T_n(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-t/2} (A_n \cos \lambda_n t + B_n \sin \lambda_n t) \sin nx, n = 1, 2, \dots$$

(ii) Assuming that the initial deflection is

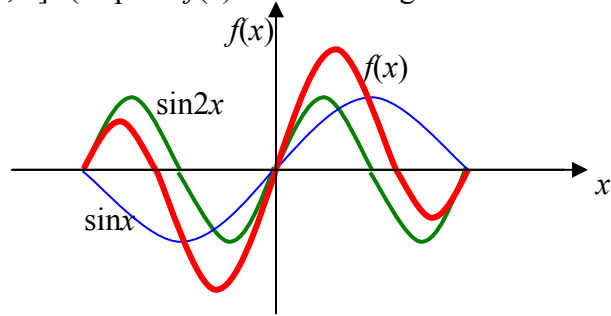
$$f(x) = 2 \sin \frac{3}{2} x \cos \frac{1}{2} x,$$

which extension of the half-range Fourier series obtained in (i) should be used?

Answer. Odd extension.

(iii) Sketch the graph of  $f(x)$  for  $x \in [-\pi, \pi]$ . (Express  $f(x)$  as sum of trigonometric functions.)

$$f(x) = \sin x + \sin 2x$$



(iv) Show that the solution of PDE with  $f(x)$  given in (ii) is

$$u(x, t) = e^{-t/2} \left[ \cos \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} t \right) \sin x + \cos \left( \frac{\sqrt{15}}{2} t \right) \sin 2x \right].$$

**Solution.**

In the formula for general solution, the term  $B_n \sin \lambda_n t$  must be 0 since the initial velocity is equal 0.

It becomes

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-t/2} (A_n \cos \lambda_n t) \sin nx.$$

For  $t = 0$ ,

$$u(x, 0) = f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin nx.$$

$$A_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\sin x + \sin 2x) \sin nx dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \sin x dx + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \sin 2x dx$$

$$A_1 = A_2 = 1, A_n = 0, n = 3, 4, \dots$$

as follows from orthogonality of the trigonometric system on the interval  $[-\pi, \pi]$ :

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \sin mx dx = \begin{cases} \pi, & m = n \\ 0, & m \neq n \end{cases}.$$

Also,

$$\lambda_1 = \sqrt{1^2 - (1/2)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2},$$

$$\lambda_2 = \sqrt{2^2 - (1/2)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{2}.$$

## 2. Half-range Fourier series for solving PDE

For a given heat-transfer equation on the interval  $0 < x < \pi$  with boundary conditions

$$u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0 \text{ and initial condition}$$

$$u(x, 0) = f(x) = 1,$$

the general solution has the following form:

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (B_n \sin nx) e^{-\lambda_n^2 t},$$

compute the coefficients  $A_n, B_n$  in the half-range Fourier series (odd extension).

Solution.

Expand the initial function

$$f(x) = 1,$$

into the Fourier series:

$$B_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin nx dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \left( \frac{-\cos nx}{n} \right)_0^{\pi} = \frac{2}{\pi} \left( \frac{-(\cos n\pi - 1)}{n} \right) = \frac{2}{\pi} \left( \frac{-((-1)^n - 1)}{n} \right),,$$

For odd indexes:

$$B_1 = \frac{4}{\pi}, \quad B_3 = \frac{4}{3\pi}, \quad B_5 = \frac{4}{5\pi}, \dots,$$

For even indexes  $m = 2n$ :

$$B_m = 0.$$

## 3. Solution of PDE by Laplace transform

Solve equation:

$$x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = x; \quad u(x, 0) = 1, \quad x \geq 0; \quad u(0, t) = 0, \quad t \geq 0$$

by Laplace transform.

Recall Laplace transforms:

| $f(t)$ | Laplace transform of $f(t)$ |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| 1      | $\frac{1}{s}$               |

|          |                 |
|----------|-----------------|
| $t$      | $\frac{1}{s^2}$ |
| $e^{at}$ | $\frac{1}{s-a}$ |

Solution.

Apply LT in  $t$ . Obtain:

$$x \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} + sU - 1 = \frac{x}{s};$$

$$U(0, s) = 0,$$

or, in standard form,

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} + \frac{s}{x}U = \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{x}.$$

Integrating factor:

$$F = e^{\int (s/x) dx} = e^{s \ln x} = x^s.$$

$$\frac{\partial(x^s U)}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{s} x^s + x^{s-1} \Rightarrow$$

$$x^s U = \frac{1}{s(s+1)} x^{s+1} + \frac{x^s}{s} + A(s).$$

$$U(0, s) = 0 \Rightarrow A(s) = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$U(x, s) = \frac{x}{s(s+1)} + \frac{1}{s} =$$

$$= x \left\{ \frac{a}{s} + \frac{b}{s+1} \right\} + \frac{1}{s}$$

$$= x \left\{ \frac{as + a + bs}{s(s+1)} \right\} + \frac{1}{s} \Rightarrow$$

$$a = 1, b = -a = -1.$$

$$U(x, s) = x \left\{ \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s+1} \right\} + \frac{1}{s} \Rightarrow$$

$$u(x, t) = x(1 - e^{-t}) + 1.$$