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**M511: Linear Algebra** (Summer 2018)  
Good Problems 6: Chapter 6



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**Instructions** *Complete all problems on this paper, showing enough work. A selection of problems will be graded based on the organization and clarity of the work shown in addition to the final solution (provided one exists).*

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1. Consider the matrix

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

- a.) Find all eigenvalues and eigenspaces of  $A$ .
- b.) Factor  $A$  into a product  $A = XDX^{-1}$ , where  $D$  is a diagonal matrix.
- c.) Use your answer to part (b) to compute  $A^7$ .

2. Let  $A$  be a nonsingular  $n \times n$  matrix, and let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $A$ . a.) Show that  $\lambda \neq 0$ ; b.) Show that  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$ .

3. Let  $A$  be a matrix whose columns all add up to a fixed constant  $\delta$ . Show that  $\delta$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

4. Consider the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{Y}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Compute  $e^{tA}$  and use it to compute the solution of the initial value problem  $\mathbf{Y}'(t) = A\mathbf{Y}$ ,  $\mathbf{Y}(0) = \mathbf{Y}_0$ .

5. Consider the real vector space  $\mathbb{C} = \{z = x + iy \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , and the linear transformation  $L: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  defined by  $L(z) = iz$ . What do you think the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $L$  should be? Check your answer by writing the matrix representation of  $L$  with respect to the standard basis  $\{1, i\}$ , then finding the eigenvalues and eigenspaces of the matrix representation.

6. Solve the initial value problem

$$\begin{cases} y_1'' = -2y_2 + y_1' + 2y_2' \\ y_2'' = 2y_1 + 2y_1' - y_2' \\ y_1(0) = 0, y_2(0) = 0, \\ y_1'(0) = -3, y_2'(0) = 2. \end{cases}$$