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Homework 8

* Question 1: Let A be a skew-symmetric matrix ($A^T = -A$) such that A is 2019×2019

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• Since A is of odd size, its characteristic polynomial is of odd degree, such a polynomial has at least one real root, hence A has at least one real eigenvalue

Let α be the real eigenvalue of A , then $Ax = \alpha x$ for $x \neq 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \alpha \langle x, x \rangle &= \langle x, \bar{\alpha} x \rangle \rightarrow \text{since } \alpha \text{ is real} \\ &= \langle x, \alpha x \rangle \\ &= \langle x, Ax \rangle \\ &= x^T Ax \\ &= (A^T x)^T x \\ &= \langle A^T x, x \rangle \\ &= -\langle Ax, x \rangle \\ &= -\langle \alpha x, x \rangle \\ &= -\alpha \langle x, x \rangle \end{aligned}$$

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Since $\langle x, x \rangle \neq 0$ then $\alpha = -\alpha \Rightarrow 2\alpha = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = 0$

thus A is not invertible

Another Solution to Q1.

Note that $|A^T| = |-A| = (-1)^{2019}|A| = -|A|$.

But $|A^T| = |A|$.

Hence $|A^T| = |A| = -|A|$. Thus $2|A| = 0$. Hence $|A| = 0$.
Therefore A is not invertible (singular)

* Question 2:

$$\text{Let } A = J_3^{(2)} \oplus J_2^{(2)} \oplus J_3^{(1)}$$

$$\text{then } \rho_A(x) = (x-3)^3 (x-2)^2$$

$$\text{and } m_A(x) = (x-3)^2 (x-2)^2$$

$$\text{thus } R_A = C(f_1) \oplus C(f_2) \oplus C(f_3)$$

$$\text{such that } f_1 = (x-3)^2 = x^2 - 6x + 9$$

$$f_2 = (x-2)^2 = x^2 - 4x + 4$$

$$f_3 = x - 3$$

$$\text{hence } R_A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -9 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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* Question 3: Let $T: V \rightarrow V$ be a linear transformation

and $F: V \rightarrow V$ such that $F = T^2 + 5T + 2019I$

. Let $W = Z(F)$

For every $w \in W$ we have:

$$F(w) = 0$$

$$\text{hence } T(T^2(w) + 5T(w) + 2019w) = \overline{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(T^2(w)) + 5T(T(w)) + 2019T(w) = \overline{0} T(0)$$

$$\Rightarrow T^2(T(w)) + 5T(T(w)) + 2019T(w) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow F(T(w)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow T(w) \in Z(F)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(w) \in W \text{ for every } w \in W$$

* Question 4:

$$\text{let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & 3 \\ -3 & 0 & 3 \\ -3 & -6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

step 1: $\gcd(\text{all entries of } A) = d_1 = 3$

step 2: $|A| = |D| = -6 \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 3 \\ -3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 6 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ -3 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= -6(+9) + 6(9+9)$$

$$= -54 + 108$$

$$= 54$$

thus $d_1 = d_2 = 3$ and $d_3 = 6$

Hence $D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

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and $D = RAC$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & 3 \\ -3 & 0 & 3 \\ -3 & -6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_1 + R_2 &\rightarrow R_2 \\ R_1 + R_3 &\rightarrow R_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & 3 \\ 0 & 6 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -2C_1 + C_2 &\rightarrow C_2 \\ -C_1 + C_3 &\rightarrow C_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_2 \leftrightarrow C_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-C_3 + C_2 \rightarrow C_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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and $D = RAC$

* Question 5: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

1) $C_A(x) = (x-2)^3(x-3)^2$

2) By using online calculator: $m_A(x) = (x-2)^2(x-3)^2$

3) We have two eigenvalues 2 and 3:

$$IN(E_2) = 2$$

$$IN(E_3) = 1$$

4) $J = J_2^{(2)} \oplus J_3^{(2)} \oplus J_2^{(1)}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$5) R_A = C(f_1) \oplus C(f_2) \oplus C(f_3)$$

$$\text{where } f_1 = (x-2)^2 = x^2 - 4x + 4$$

$$f_2 = (x-3)^2 = x^2 - 6x + 9$$

$$f_3 = (x-2)$$

$$\text{thus } R_A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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* Question 6:

1) Suppose $m_A(x) = x^m + a_{m-1}x^{m-1} + \dots + a_1x + a_0$

and $m_{A^T}(x) = x^n + b_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + b_1x + b_0$

we know that $m_{A^T}(A^T) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } m_A(A^T) &= (A^T)^m + a_{m-1}(A^T)^{m-1} + \dots + a_1A^T + a_0I_m \\ &= (A^m + a_{m-1}A^{m-1} + \dots + a_1A + a_0I_m)^T \text{ since } m_A(A) = 0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

thus $m_{A^T}(x)$ divides $m_A(x)$

and we know that $m_A(A) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } m_{A^T}(A) &= A^n + b_{n-1}A^{n-1} + \dots + b_1A + b_0I_n \\ &= \left[(A^T)^n + b_{n-1}(A^T)^{n-1} + \dots + b_1A^T + b_0I_n \right]^T \text{ since } m_{A^T}(A^T) = 0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

thus $m_A(x)$ divides $m_{A^T}(x)$

therefore they must be equal

2) A is similar to $B \Rightarrow A = QBQ^{-1}$

B is similar to $C \Rightarrow B = PCP^{-1}$

then $A = Q(PCP^{-1})Q^{-1}$

$$= QPC(QP)^{-1}$$

$$= WCW^{-1}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{let } W = QP \Rightarrow W^{-1} = (QP)^{-1}$$

Therefore A and C are similar.

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3) We know that $C_A(x) = C_{A^T}(x)$

we proved in (1) that $m_A(x) = m_{A^T}(x)$

Moreover, $\dim N(E_a)$ is the same for A and A^T

So we can conclude that $R_A = R_{A^T}$

and we know that A is similar to R_A

and $R_{A^T} = R_A$ is similar to A^T

thus by (2) A is similar to A^T .

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