

FALL 95 2nd Exam Solutions

① missing. ② $\det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
 $= 2 \cdot [2(3) - 1(2)] + 1 \cdot [(-1)(4)] = 8 - 4 = \boxed{4}$

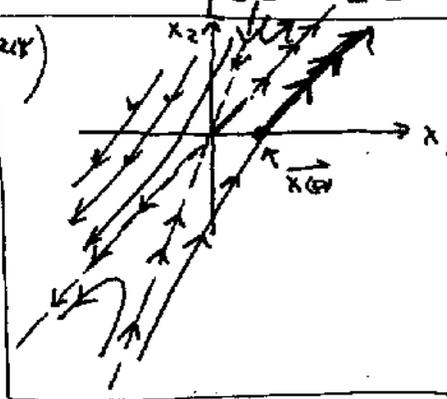
②b) Subtract the i th row from the $(i+1)$ -th row. \Rightarrow same determinant:
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} I & I \\ \hline 0 & -I \end{array} \right]$ upper triangular.
 Det = Prod. of diag. entries.
 $= 1^n \cdot (-1)^n = \boxed{(-1)^n}$

③ $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 9 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = A\vec{x}$ $\lambda I - A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - 5 & 3 \\ -9 & \lambda + 7 \end{bmatrix}$ $\det = \lambda^2 + 2\lambda - 8 = (\lambda + 4)(\lambda - 2) = 0$
 $\lambda_1 = 2 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 3 & | & 0 \\ -9 & 9 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
 $\lambda_2 = -4 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -9 & 3 & | & 0 \\ -9 & 3 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1/3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$
 $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ $P^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
 $\vec{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = P^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution: $\vec{x}(t) = [e^{tA}] \vec{x}(0) = P e^{tD} P^{-1} \vec{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-4t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$
 $P^{-1}AP = D$ $e^{tA} = P e^{tD} P^{-1}$
 $A = PDP^{-1}$ $e^{tA} = \frac{3}{2} e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} e^{-4t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{2} e^{2t} - \frac{1}{2} e^{-4t} \\ \frac{3}{2} e^{2t} - \frac{3}{2} e^{-4t} \end{bmatrix}$

④ If $\vec{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 2^t \\ 1-2^t \end{bmatrix}$, then $\vec{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(TRAJECTORY FOR 3)



$\vec{x}(1) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = A\vec{x}(0) = A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ is 1st column of A .

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & a \\ -1 & b \end{bmatrix}$, then $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & a \\ -1 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & a \\ -1 & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4-a & 2a+ab \\ -2-b & -a+b^2 \end{bmatrix}$

$\vec{x}(2) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = A^2 \vec{x}(0) = A^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4-a \\ -2-b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} a=0 \\ b=1 \end{matrix}$

So $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. You may wish to verify that this really does give the solution stated.

⑤ $g = [x_1, x_2, x_3] \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 & 0 \\ 4 & 6 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{x}^T A \vec{x}$, A symmetric.

CHARACTERISTIC POLYNOMIAL is $f_A(\lambda) = \lambda^3 - 18\lambda^2 + 83\lambda - 66 = (\lambda-11)(\lambda-6)(\lambda-1) = 0$

EIGENVALUES ARE $\{11, 6, 1\}$, so $g(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ is positive definite.

In rotated coordinates, $g = 11y_1^2 + 6y_2^2 + y_3^2$

(not necessary to find the eigenvectors for this problem.)

MINIMAL VALUE for g on the unit sphere will be 1, where $(y_1, y_2, y_3) = (0, 0, 1) \rightarrow$ the direction of the eigenvector for $\lambda_3 = 1$.