

PROBLEM 1

Let a be an arbitrary real number. A homogeneous system of linear equations is given by

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 &= 0 \\2x_1 - x_2 + 8x_3 - 4x_4 &= 0 \\x_1 - 2x_2 + 7x_3 + a \cdot x_4 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

1. For $a = 1$ state the complete solution to the system of equations in standard parametric form.
2. For a certain value of a the coefficient matrix for the system of equations has the rank 2. State for this value of a two linearly independent solutions to the system of equations.

PROBLEM 2

A 2-dimensional vector space V has the base $v = (\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$. A linear map

$$f : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$

has with respect to the base v in V and the standard base e in \mathbb{R}^3 the mapping matrix

$${}_e\mathbf{F}_v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

1. State the coordinate vector for the vector

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = 2\mathbf{v}_1 - 5\mathbf{v}_2$$

with respect to the base v , and determine the image vector $f(\mathbf{v}_3)$.

2. Solve the equation

$$f(\mathbf{v}) = (1, 2, 10).$$

3. Determine the dimension of the image space $f(V)$ and the dimension of $\ker(f)$.
4. State (and argue) a vector in \mathbb{R}^3 that does not belong to $f(V)$.

PROBLEM 3

In the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 equipped with the usual dot product three vectors are given

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, -1, 1), \mathbf{v}_2 = (1, 0, -1) \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_3 = (1, 1, 0).$$

A matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ has the eigenspaces $E_6 = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1\}$ and $E_{-3} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$.

1. Consider the matrix $\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \mathbf{v}_3]$. State a diagonal matrix $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ that fulfill the identity

$$\mathbf{\Lambda} = \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}.$$

2. Explain that every vector in E_6 is orthogonal to every vector in E_{-3} .
3. Determine a positive orthogonal matrix \mathbf{Q} that fulfill the identity

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{Q}^T$$

where $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ is the diagonal matrix from question 1.

PROBLEM 4

For a given matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ we consider a linear system of first order differential equations in the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1'(t) \\ x_2'(t) \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

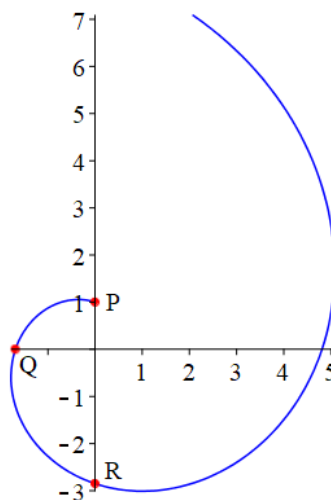
It is given that the complete complex solution to the system is

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = c_1 \cdot e^{(2+6i)t} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \cdot e^{(2-6i)t} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

1. Find the eigenvalues for \mathbf{A} and the corresponding eigenspaces.
2. Show that the particular solution where $c_1 = c_2 = \frac{1}{2}$, satisfies the initial condition

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

3. Consider the particular solution in the previous question. The figure shows the trajectory, the point $(x_1(t), x_2(t))$ traverses in the time $t \in [0, 1]$. The point P is the initial point, while Q is the first point of intersection with the first axis, and R is the first point of intersection with the second axis, see the figure.



Determine the values of t where the point $(x_1(t), x_2(t))$ is passing Q and R , respectively.

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