

Math 2940: Homework 5 Solutions

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2. The matrix B is in echelon form. There are three pivot columns, so the dimension of $\text{Col } A$ is 3. There are three pivot rows, so the dimension of $\text{Row } A$ is 3. There are two columns without pivots, so the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has two free variables. Thus the dimension of $\text{Nul } A$ is 2. A basis for $\text{Col } A$ is

the pivot columns of A : $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \\ -6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ -10 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. A basis for $\text{Row } A$ is the pivot rows of B :

$\{(1, -3, 0, 5, -7), (0, 0, 2, -3, 8), (0, 0, 0, 0, 5)\}$. To find a basis for $\text{Nul } A$ row reduce to reduced echelon

form: $A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. The solution to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ in terms of free variables is

$x_1 = 3x_2 - 5x_4$, $x_3 = (3/2)x_4$, $x_5 = 0$, with x_2 and x_4 free. Thus a basis for $\text{Nul } A$ is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \\ 3/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

21. No. Consider the system as $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, where A is a 9×10 matrix. Since the system has a solution for all \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^9 , A must have a pivot in each row, and so $\text{rank } A = 9$. By the Rank Theorem, $\dim \text{Nul } A = 10 - 9 = 1$. Thus it is impossible to find two linearly independent vectors in $\text{Nul } A$.

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6. Let $y_k = 5^k \cos \frac{k\pi}{2}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} y_{k+2} + 25y_k &= 5^{k+2} \cos \frac{(k+2)\pi}{2} + 25 \left(5^k \cos \frac{k\pi}{2} \right) = 5^k \left(5^2 \cos \frac{(k+2)\pi}{2} + 25 \cos \frac{k\pi}{2} \right) \\ &= 25 \cdot 5^k \left(\cos \left(\frac{k\pi}{2} + \pi \right) + \cos \frac{k\pi}{2} \right) = 25 \cdot 5^k (0) = 0 \text{ for all } k \end{aligned}$$

since $\cos(t + \pi) = -\cos t$ for all t . Since the difference equation holds for all k , $5^k \cos \frac{k\pi}{2}$ is in the solution set H .

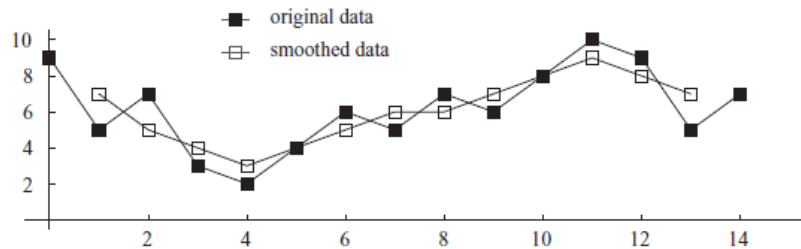
Let $y_k = 5^k \sin \frac{k\pi}{2}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} y_{k+2} + 25y_k &= 5^{k+2} \sin \frac{(k+2)\pi}{2} + 25 \left(5^k \sin \frac{k\pi}{2} \right) = 5^k \left(5^2 \sin \frac{(k+2)\pi}{2} + 25 \sin \frac{k\pi}{2} \right) \\ &= 25 \cdot 5^k \left(\sin \left(\frac{k\pi}{2} + \pi \right) + \sin \frac{k\pi}{2} \right) = 25 \cdot 5^k (0) = 0 \text{ for all } k \end{aligned}$$

since $\sin(t + \pi) = -\sin t$ for all t . Since the difference equation holds for all k , $5^k \sin \frac{k\pi}{2}$ is in the solution set H .

The signals $5^k \cos \frac{k\pi}{2}$ and $5^k \sin \frac{k\pi}{2}$ are linearly independent because neither is a multiple of the other. By Theorem 17, $\dim H = 2$, so the two linearly independent signals $5^k \cos \frac{k\pi}{2}$ and $5^k \sin \frac{k\pi}{2}$ form a basis for H by the Basis Theorem.

21. The smoothed signal z_k has the following values: $z_1 = (9 + 5 + 7)/3 = 7$, $z_2 = (5 + 7 + 3)/3 = 5$,
 $z_3 = (7 + 3 + 2)/3 = 4$, $z_4 = (3 + 2 + 4)/3 = 3$, $z_5 = (2 + 4 + 6)/3 = 4$, $z_6 = (4 + 6 + 5)/3 = 5$,
 $z_7 = (6 + 5 + 7)/3 = 6$, $z_8 = (5 + 7 + 6)/3 = 6$, $z_9 = (7 + 6 + 8)/3 = 7$, $z_{10} = (6 + 8 + 10)/3 = 8$,
 $z_{11} = (8 + 10 + 9)/3 = 9$, $z_{12} = (10 + 9 + 5)/3 = 8$, $z_{13} = (9 + 5 + 7)/3 = 7$.



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3. a. Let H stand for “Healthy” and I stand for “Ill.” Then the students’ conditions are given by the table

From:			To:
H	I		H
.95	.45		H
.05	.55		I

so the stochastic matrix is $P = \begin{bmatrix} .95 & .45 \\ .05 & .55 \end{bmatrix}$.

- b. Since 20% of the students are ill on Monday, the initial state vector is $\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} .8 \\ .2 \end{bmatrix}$. For Tuesday’s percentages, we calculate \mathbf{x}_1 ; for Wednesday’s percentages, we calculate \mathbf{x}_2 :

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = P\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} .95 & .45 \\ .05 & .55 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .8 \\ .2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .85 \\ .15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = P\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} .95 & .45 \\ .05 & .55 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .85 \\ .15 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .875 \\ .125 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus 15% of the students are ill on Tuesday, and 12.5% are ill on Wednesday.

- c. Since the student is well today, the initial state vector is $\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. We calculate \mathbf{x}_2 :

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = P\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} .95 & .45 \\ .05 & .55 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .95 \\ .05 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = P\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} .95 & .45 \\ .05 & .55 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .95 \\ .05 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .925 \\ .075 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus the probability that the student is well two days from now is .925.

13. a. From Exercise 3, $P = \begin{bmatrix} .95 & .45 \\ .05 & .55 \end{bmatrix}$, so $P - I = \begin{bmatrix} -.05 & .45 \\ .05 & -.45 \end{bmatrix}$. Solving $(P - I)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ by row

reducing the augmented matrix gives $\begin{bmatrix} -.05 & .45 & 0 \\ .05 & -.45 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Thus

$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and one solution is $\begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Since the entries in $\begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ sum to 10, multiply by 1/10

to obtain the steady-state vector $\mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} 9/10 \\ 1/10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .9 \\ .1 \end{bmatrix}$.

b. After many days, a specific student is ill with probability .1, and it does not matter whether that student is ill today or not.