

Test 3 (Key)

(Math 140)

1. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$\det \begin{vmatrix} -1-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (-1-\lambda)(2-\lambda) - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - \lambda - 3 = 0$$

$$\text{So, } \lambda = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - (4)(1)(-3)}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{13}}{2} \text{ are the eigenvalues of } A.$$

To find the eigenvectors we will solve for x and y the equation:

$$A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \left(\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{13}}{2} \right) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{cases} -x + y = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}x \\ x + 2y = \frac{1}{2}y + \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}y \end{cases} = \begin{cases} y = \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} \right) x \\ y = \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} \right) x \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So, the first eigenvector is } \vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} \right) x \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \begin{cases} -x + y = \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}x \\ x + 2y = \frac{1}{2}y - \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}y \end{cases} = \begin{cases} y = \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} \right) x \\ y = \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} \right) x \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So, other eigenvector is } \vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} \right) x \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. Find the volume of the parallelepiped S determined by the vectors $\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$,

$\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Also, find the area of the parallelogram determined by \vec{u} and \vec{v} .

The volume of the parallelepiped is given by: $V(S) = |(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{w}|$

$$\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -(-2-0)j = 2j$$

$$(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{w} = 0 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 2 + 0 \cdot 0 = 4$$

So, $V(S) = |4| = 4$.

The area of the base of the parallelepiped is given by: $A(S) = \|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\|$

$$\text{So, } A(S) = \|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\| = \left\| \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \right\| = \| -(-2-0)j \| = \sqrt{0+4+0} = 2$$

3. Find the parametric equations of the line l that passes through $P = (1,1,3)$ and is perpendicular to the plane M with equation $2x + 3y - z = 2$.

The normal to the plane is $N = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$x = P_1 + N_1 t$$

The equation of the line is: $y = P_2 + N_2 t$

$$z = P_3 + N_3 t$$

$$x = 1 + 2t$$

So the line perpendicular to the plane M that passes through P is: $y = 1 + 3t$

$$z = 3 - t$$

4. Identify the type of linear map the following represent.

$$(a) A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Scaling

$$(b) B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Reflection (about the xy -plane)

$$(c) C = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Rotation (around the z -axis)

$$(d) D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Projection (on the yz -plane)

5. Rotate the vector $\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ around the vector $\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ by 180° .

(Note: Use this matrix: $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^2 + c(1 - a_1^2) & a_1 a_2(1 - c) - a_3 s & a_1 a_3(1 - c) + a_2 s \\ a_1 a_2(1 - c) + a_3 s & a_2^2 + c(1 - a_2^2) & a_2 a_3(1 - c) - a_1 s \\ a_1 a_3(1 - c) - a_2 s & a_2 a_3(1 - c) + a_1 s & a_3^2 + c(1 - a_3^2) \end{pmatrix}$)

Since we are rotating by $180^\circ \Rightarrow c = \cos(180^\circ) = -1$ and $s = \sin(180^\circ) = 0$.

So,

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

$$\text{Hence, } \vec{u}' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$