

MAT 022A LINEAR ALGEBRA HOMEWORK 5 (LAST WRITTEN HOMEWORK) DUE JULY  
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Answer all questions in a clear and concise manner. Show all work. Submit one page per problem on Gradescope, properly select the subproblems and indicate if the solution requires multiple pages.

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Assume all matrices are  $\mathcal{M}_{m \times m}(\mathbf{R})$  unless otherwise specified.

1. (1 point) Prove or disprove that the eigenvalues of  $A$  and  $A^T$  are the same.
2. (2 points) Let  $A$  be a matrix with  $m$  distinct, non-zero, eigenvalues. Prove that the eigenvectors of  $A$  are linearly independent and span  $\mathbf{R}^m$ . Note that this means (in this case) that the eigenvectors are distinct and form a base of the space.
3. (1 point) Given that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  associated with  $v$ , prove that  $v$  is an eigenvector of  $A^k$  and that  $\lambda^k$  is its associated eigenvalue.
4. (2 points) Let  $A$  be a matrix with eigenvalues  $\lambda_k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq m$ . Show that  $\det A = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \cdots \lambda_m$ .
5. (1 point) Prove that a matrix  $A$  is singular if and only if it has a zero eigenvalue (hint: use the previous problem).
6. Recall that we may define the exponential function in terms of its Taylor series expansion

$$e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} x^k$$

Similarly, we define the **matrix exponential** in terms of the following series

$$e^A = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} A^k$$

Where  $A^k$  is matrix multiplication of  $A$  with itself  $k$  times.

Compute the matrix exponential for the following matrices

- (a) (1 point)  $I_2$ .
- (b) (1 point)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- (c) (1 point) Any  $2 \times 2$  nilpotent matrix (recall homework 2)
- (d) (1 point) Will every  $2 \times 2$  matrix have a convergent matrix exponential? Why or why not? (Recall your Taylor series from 21C).