

## 18.06 Solutions to PSet 8

### 6.4:

**5:**  $Q = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The columns of  $Q$  are unit eigenvectors of  $A$ . Each unit eigenvector could be multiplied by  $-1$ .

**7:** (a) (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  has  $\lambda = -1$  and  $3$  (b) The pivots have the same signs as the  $\lambda$ 's

(c) trace =  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 2$ , so  $A$  can't have two negative eigenvalues.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  has  $\lambda = -1$  and  $3$  (b) The pivots have the same signs as the  $\lambda$ 's (c) trace =  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 2$ , so  $A$  can't have two negative eigenvalues.

**16:** (a) If  $Az = \lambda y$  and  $A^T y = \lambda z$  then  $B[\mathbf{y}; -\mathbf{z}] = [-Az; A^T \mathbf{y}] = -\lambda[\mathbf{y}; -\mathbf{z}]$ . So  $-\lambda$  is also an eigenvalue of  $B$ . (b)  $A^T Az = A^T(\lambda y) = \lambda^2 z$ . (c)  $\lambda = -1, -1, 1, 1$ ;  $\mathbf{x}_1 = (1, 0, -1, 0)$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_2 = (0, 1, 0, -1)$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_3 = (1, 0, 1, 0)$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_4 = (0, 1, 0, 1)$ .

**23:**  $A$  is invertible, orthogonal, permutation, diagonalizable, Markov;  $B$  is projection, diagonalizable, Markov.  $A$  allows  $QR, S\Lambda S^{-1}, Q\Lambda Q^T$ ;  $B$  allows  $S\Lambda S^{-1}$  and  $Q\Lambda Q^T$ .

### 6.5:

**8:**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 6 & 16 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Pivots 3, 4 outside squares,  $\ell_{ij}$  inside.  $\mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x} = 3(x + 2y)^2 + 4y^2$

**12:**  $A$  is positive definite for  $c > 1$ ; determinants  $c, c^2 - 1$ , and  $(c - 1)^2(c + 2) > 0$ .  $B$  is never positive definite (determinants  $d - 4$  and  $-4d + 12$  are never both positive).

**19:** All cross terms are  $\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j = 0$  because symmetric matrices have orthogonal eigenvectors. So positive eigenvalues  $\Rightarrow$  positive energy.

**20:** (a) The determinant is positive; all  $\lambda > 0$  (b) All projection matrices except  $I$  are singular (c) The diagonal entries of  $D$  are its eigenvalues (d)  $A = -I$  has  $\det = +1$  when  $n$  is even.

**22:**  $R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{9} & \\ & \sqrt{1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $R = Q \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} Q^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**26:** The Cholesky factors  $C = (L\sqrt{D})^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix}$  have

square roots of the pivots from  $D$ . Note again  $C^T C = LDL^T = A$ .

**33:** A product  $AB$  of symmetric positive definite matrices comes into many applications. The "generalized" eigenvalue problem  $K\mathbf{x} = \lambda M\mathbf{x}$  has  $AB = M^{-1}K$ . (often we use  $\text{eig}(K, M)$  without actually inverting  $M$ .) All eigenvalues  $\lambda$  are positive:

$$AB\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x} \text{ gives } (B\mathbf{x})^T AB\mathbf{x} = (B\mathbf{x})^T \lambda\mathbf{x}. \text{ Then } \lambda = \mathbf{x}^T B^T AB\mathbf{x} / \mathbf{x}^T B\mathbf{x} > 0.$$

**6.6:**

**2:**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  is similar to  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = M^{-1}AM$  with  $M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**5:**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  are similar (they all have eigenvalues 1 and 0).

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is by itself and also  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is by itself with eigenvalues 1 and  $-1$ .

**8:** Same  $\Lambda$  But  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  have the same line of eigenvectors and the same eigenvalues  $\lambda = 0, 0$ .  
Same  $S$

**12:** If  $M^{-1}JM = K$  then  $JM = \begin{bmatrix} m_{21} & m_{22} & m_{23} & m_{24} \\ 0 & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & 0 \\ m_{41} & m_{42} & m_{43} & m_{44} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = MK = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & m_{12} & m_{13} & \mathbf{0} \\ 0 & m_{22} & m_{23} & 0 \\ 0 & m_{32} & m_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & m_{42} & m_{43} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

That means  $m_{21} = m_{22} = m_{23} = m_{24} = 0$ .  $M$  is not invertible,  $J$  not similar to  $K$ .

**21:**  $J^2$  has three 1's down the *second* superdiagonal, and *two* independent eigenvectors for

$\lambda = 0$ . Its 5 by 5 Jordan form is  $\begin{bmatrix} J_3 & \\ & J_2 \end{bmatrix}$  with  $J_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $J_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .