

Solutions to Homework #2, Biology 301 (Spring 2001)

1. (a) $\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 10 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6-10 \\ 3-5 \end{pmatrix} = -2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$

(c) $\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -a \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -a \end{pmatrix}$

(d) In the last calculation, $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -a \end{pmatrix}$ is a multiple of $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ namely $-a \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. In other words, $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of $\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -a \end{pmatrix}$ with corresponding eigenvalue $-a$.

(a) Show: $Aw = Ax + Ay$

$$\begin{aligned} Aw &= \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a(x_1 + y_1) + b(x_2 + y_2) \\ c(x_1 + y_1) + d(x_2 + y_2) \end{pmatrix} \text{ by rules for the} \\ &\quad \text{multiplication of matrices} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} ax_1 + ay_1 + bx_2 + by_2 \\ cx_1 + cy_1 + dx_2 + dy_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ax_1 + bx_2 + ay_1 + by_2 \\ cx_1 + dx_2 + cy_1 + dy_2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ by rearrangement of} \\ &\quad \text{terms} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} ax_1 + bx_2 \\ cx_1 + dx_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} ay_1 + by_2 \\ cy_1 + dy_2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ by rules for the addition of matrices} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= Ax + Ay, \text{ where } A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}, x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Show: $A \cdot rx = r(A \cdot x)$

$$\begin{aligned} A \cdot rx &= \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} rx_1 \\ rx_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} arx_1 + brx_2 \\ crx_1 + drx_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} rax_1 + rbx_2 \\ rcx_1 + rdx_2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ by a} \\ &\quad \text{rearrangement of terms} \\ &= r \begin{pmatrix} ax_1 + bx_2 \\ cx_1 + dx_2 \end{pmatrix} = r \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = r(A \cdot x) \end{aligned}$$

(c) Show: $A \cdot (rx + sy) = r(A \cdot x) + s(A \cdot y)$

$$\begin{aligned} A \cdot (rx + sy) &= A \cdot rx + A \cdot sy \text{ by (a)} \\ &= r(A \cdot x) + s(A \cdot y) \text{ by (b)} \end{aligned}$$

(a) Show: $AB \neq BA$

$$\begin{aligned} AB &= \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ae + bg & af + bh \\ ce + dg & cf + dh \end{pmatrix} \text{ by multiplication of ma-} \\ &\quad \text{trices} \\ BA &= \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ea + fc & eb + fd \\ ga + hc & gb + hd \end{pmatrix} \text{ by multiplication of ma-} \\ &\quad \text{trices} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} ae + bg & af + bh \\ ce + dg & cf + dh \end{pmatrix} = AB \neq BA = \begin{pmatrix} ea + fc & eb + fd \\ ga + hc & gb + hd \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Show: $A(B + C) = AB + AC$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} i & j \\ k & l \end{pmatrix} \right] = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} e+i & f+j \\ g+k & h+l \end{pmatrix} \text{ by addition} \\ & = \begin{pmatrix} a(e+i) + b(g+k) & a(f+j) + b(h+l) \\ c(e+i) + d(g+k) & c(f+j) + d(h+l) \end{pmatrix} \text{ by multiplication} \\ & = \begin{pmatrix} ae + ai + bg + bk & af + aj + bh + bl \\ ce + ci + dg + dk & cf + cj + dh + dl \end{pmatrix} \text{ by expansion} \\ & = \begin{pmatrix} ae + bg & af + bh \\ ce + dg & cf + dh \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} ai + bk & aj + bl \\ ci + dk & cj + dl \end{pmatrix} \text{ by rearrangement and factoring} \\ & = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} i & j \\ k & l \end{pmatrix} \text{ by reverse multiplication} \\ & = AB + AC \end{aligned}$$

(c) Show: $(AB)C = A(BC)$

$$\begin{aligned} AB &= \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ae + bg & af + bh \\ ce + dg & cf + dh \end{pmatrix} \text{ by multiplication of matrices} \\ (AB)C &= \begin{pmatrix} ae + bg & af + bh \\ ce + dg & cf + dh \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} i & j \\ k & l \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} i(ae + bg) + k(af + bh) & j(ae + bg) + l(af + bh) \\ i(ce + dg) + k(cf + dh) & j(ce + dg) + l(cf + dh) \end{pmatrix} \text{ by multiplication of matrices} \\ BC &= \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} i & j \\ k & l \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ei + fk & ej + fl \\ gi + hk & gj + hl \end{pmatrix} \text{ by multiplication of matrices} \\ A(BC) &= \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} ei + fk & ej + fl \\ gi + hk & gj + hl \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} a(ei + fk) + b(gi + hk) & a(ej + fl) + b(gj + hl) \\ c(ei + fk) + d(gi + hk) & c(ej + fl) + d(gj + hl) \end{pmatrix} \text{ by multiplication of matrices} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} aei + afk + bgi + bhk & aej + afl + bgj + bhl \\ cei + cfk + dgi + dhk & cej + cfl + dgj + dhl \end{pmatrix} \text{ by expansion of terms} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} aei + bgi + afk + bhk & aej + bgj + afl + bhl \\ cei + dgi + cfk + dhk & cej + dgj + cfl + dhl \end{pmatrix} \text{ by rearrangement} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} i(ae + bg) + k(af + bh) & j(ae + bg) + l(af + bh) \\ i(ce + dg) + k(cf + dh) & j(ce + dg) + l(cf + dh) \end{pmatrix} \text{ by factoring} \\ &= (AB)C \end{aligned}$$

(d) Show: $AI = IA = A$

$$\begin{aligned} AI &= \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a + b \times 0 & a \times 0 + b \\ c + d \times 0 & c \times 0 + d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \\ IA &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a + 0 \times c & b + 0 \times d \\ 0 \times a + c & 0 \times b + d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = A \end{aligned}$$

$$(a) A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 2 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{(a+d) \pm \sqrt{(a+d)^2 - 4(ad-bc)}}{2}$$

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{11 \pm \sqrt{11^2 - 4(24-14)}}{2} = \frac{11 \pm \sqrt{11^2 - 40}}{2} = \frac{11 \pm \sqrt{81}}{2} = \frac{11 \pm 9}{2}. \text{ Therefore, } \lambda_1 = 10 \text{ and } \lambda_2 = 1.$$

Eigenvector for $\lambda_1 = 10$:

$$\text{Let } x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 2 & 8 \end{pmatrix} x_1 = 10x_1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3x + 7y \\ 2x + 8y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 10x \\ 10y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6x + 14y \\ 6x + 24y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 20x \\ 30y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-10y = 20x - 30y$$

$$20y = 20x \Rightarrow x_1 = k \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ i.e. the vector corresponding to the eigenvalue}$$

$\lambda_1 = 10$, is some multiple of a 2x1 vector in which the upper component is equal to the bottom component

Eigenvector for $\lambda_2 = 1$:

$$\text{Let } x_2 = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 2 & 8 \end{pmatrix} x_2 = 1x_2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3x + 7y \\ 2x + 8y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6x + 14y \\ 6x + 24y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ 3y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-10y = 2x - 3y$$

$$y = -\frac{2}{7}x \Rightarrow x_2 = k \begin{pmatrix} -3.5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(b) A = \begin{pmatrix} a & 1-b \\ 1-b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

By the same procedure as in (a)

$$\lambda_1 = a + b - 1; x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = a - b + 1; x_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 10 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{(6+5) \pm \sqrt{(6+5)^2 - 4(30-30)}}{2} = \frac{11 \pm \sqrt{11^2}}{2} = \frac{11 \pm 11}{2} = 11, 0$$

$$(b) \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 3a & 3b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{(a+3b) \pm \sqrt{(a+3b)^2 - 4(a3b-b3a)}}{2} = \frac{(a+3b) \pm \sqrt{(a+3b)^2}}{2} = \frac{(a+3b) \pm (a+3b)}{2} = a + 3b, 0$$

Matrix	Eigenvalues	Corresponding Eigenvectors
1	6; 2; 2	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
2	10; 1; 2; 3	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} -3.5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$
3	a; b; c; d	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{(b-a)}{e} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} \frac{b-c-e}{a-c} \\ 1 \\ \frac{c-b}{e} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2de+d^2-dc-be-bd+bc+e^2-ec}{d^2-da+ba-bd} \\ \frac{c-e-d}{b-d} \\ 1 \\ \frac{d-c}{e} \end{pmatrix}$

(a) Show: $Aw = arx + bsy$

$$\begin{aligned} Aw &= A(ax + by) \\ &= Aax + Aby \text{ from problem 2a} \\ &= aAx + bAy \text{ from problem 2b} \\ &= arx + bsy \text{ from definitions of } Ax \text{ and } Ay \text{ and then substitution} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Show: $A^2w = ar^2x + bs^2y$

$$\begin{aligned} Aw &= arx + bsy \text{ from 7a} \\ A(Aw) &= A(arx + bsy) = Aarx + Absy \text{ from 2a} \\ &= arAx + bsAy \text{ because } a, r, b, s \text{ are scalars and from 2b} \\ &= ar^2x + bs^2y \text{ from definitions of } Ax \text{ and } Ay \text{ and then substitution} \end{aligned}$$

(c) Show: $A^t w = ar^t x + bs^t y$

We've shown that $Aw = arx + bsy$ and $A^2w = ar^2x + bs^2y$ which suggests,

$$A^3w = ar^3x + bs^3y$$

To check if this is in fact true we can apply A to A^2w

$$A(A^2w) = A(ar^2x + bs^2y) = ar^2Ax + bs^2Ay \text{ (from 7b)}$$

$$= ar^3x + bs^3y \text{ again from the definitions of } Ax \text{ and } Ay \text{ and then substitution}$$

From this we see the pattern is consistent suggesting

$$A^t w = ar^t x + bs^t y \text{ for } t \geq 1$$

(d) From 7c we showed that $A^t w = ar^t x + bs^t y$. Now both $r^t \rightarrow 0$ and $s^t \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ if r and s are > 0 and < 1 . Therefore, $ar^t x + bs^t y$ goes to 0

as t goes to ∞ if r and s are between 0 and 1, which means that $A^t w$ also goes to 0.

(a) $L = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 4 \\ \frac{2}{3} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) Using previous methods we find that the two eigenvalues for this 2x2 matrix are

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6}\sqrt{97}; \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{6}\sqrt{97}$$

Remembering that the long term growth rate is determined by the largest eigenvalue because if $x(t+1) = Lx(t)$, then $x(t) = c_1\lambda_1^t v_1 + c_2\lambda_2^t v_2$ provided that λ_1 and λ_2 are the two eigenvalues corresponding to L and v_1 and v_2 are the corresponding eigenvectors of λ_1 and λ_2 . In the equation, $c_1\lambda_1^t v_1 + c_2\lambda_2^t v_2$, as t becomes large the term with the largest λ_i will dominate, i.e. as t becomes large the vector $x(t)$ approaches some multiple of the vector v_i that is associated with the largest eigenvalue λ_i .

For the matrix L , the largest eigenvalue is $\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6}\sqrt{97}$. The eigenvector associated with this eigenvalue is, $k \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{97} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Thus, the long term growth rate of the population is $\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6}\sqrt{97}$ and the stable age distribution is $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{97}$ 1-year-olds for every 2-year-old. This is the stable age distribution because as t becomes large, the population vector $x(t)$ approaches some multiple of $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{97} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ in which the upper component of the matrix is the number of 1-year-olds and the bottom component is the number of 2-year-olds.