

Linear Algebra 2: Tutorial 10

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Exercise 1. *Are all triangular matrices diagonalizable? Prove your answer.*

Exercise 2. *For any subspace V of \mathbb{R}^n , let P_V be the matrix of orthogonal projection onto V . Is P_V orthogonally diagonalizable for every subspace V of \mathbb{R}^n ? If so, explain why. If not, decide if it must be diagonalizable.*

Exercise 3. *Diagonalize the following matrix in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ($n \geq 2$).*

$$A_n = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hint: *Guess the eigenvalues, and then find bases for the corresponding eigenspaces. As a starting point, here are the characteristic polynomials of A_n for small values of n :*

- $p_{A_2}(\lambda) = (\lambda - 4)(\lambda - 2)$
- $p_{A_3}(\lambda) = (\lambda - 5)(\lambda - 2)^2$
- $p_{A_4}(\lambda) = (\lambda - 6)(\lambda - 2)^3$

Exercise 4. *Let p be any real number. Diagonalize the following matrix in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ($n \geq 2$).*

$$B_n = \begin{bmatrix} p & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & p & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & p \end{bmatrix}.$$

Exercise 5. Orthogonally diagonalize the following matrix in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ($n \geq 2$).

$$C_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hint: To make your Q , you might want to start with vectors $\mathbf{w}_k := [1 \ \dots \ 1 \ -k \ 0 \ \dots \ 0]^T$ (k many 1's), plus another vector (which one?). Now what?

Exercise 6. Suppose that $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ are symmetric. Show that AB is symmetric if and only if $AB = BA$.

Exercise 7. Suppose that $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ are orthogonally diagonalizable. When is AB orthogonally diagonalizable?