

2. (20 points) Let $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$.

a. Compute $\mathbf{w} - 2\mathbf{v}$, $|\mathbf{v}|$, and $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}$.

b. Is \mathbf{v} an eigenvector for A ? If so, what is the eigenvalue; if not, why not?

c. Is \mathbf{w} an eigenvector for B ? If so, what is the eigenvalue; if not, why not?

3. (12 points) Given below is the transition matrix for a weather model with three states: sunny (S), cloudy (C) and rainy (R).

$$A = \begin{array}{c|ccc} & \text{tomorrow} \backslash \text{today} & S & C & R \\ \hline S & & 1/2 & 0 & 1/8 \\ C & & 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/8 \\ R & & 1/4 & 3/4 & 3/4 \end{array} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/6 \\ 1/6 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If it is rainy today, what is the probability that it is cloudy tomorrow? _____ If it is rainy today, what is the probability that it is cloudy the day after tomorrow? _____ (Hint: don't do more work that is absolutely necessary!) What is the significance of the vector \mathbf{v} ?

4. (30 points) You are given annual survival probabilities and fecundities (numbers of surviving offspring) for a population with three stages: hatchlings, juveniles, and adults.

- a. Construct the transition matrix A .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_t & & H_{t+1} \\ J_t & \xrightarrow{80\%} & J_{t+1} \\ A_t & \xrightarrow{90\%} & A_{t+1} \end{array}$$

- a. The initial population vector is $\mathbf{P}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 100 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{P}_{31} = \begin{bmatrix} 368 \\ 119 \\ 28 \end{bmatrix}$. What is the distribution of the population into the various stages after 31 years? How is \mathbf{P}_{31} computed in terms of A and \mathbf{P}_0 ?

- b. You also find that A has three eigenvalues λ_i and corresponding eigenvectors \mathbf{v}_i , and that \mathbf{P}_0 can be written in terms of these.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \lambda_1 = -0.176 & \lambda_2 = 0.767 & \lambda_3 = 1.109 \\ \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 6.629 \\ -0.679 \\ 0.032 \end{bmatrix} & \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.183 \\ -0.551 \\ 0.207 \end{bmatrix} & \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1.194 \\ 0.386 \\ 0.092 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{P}_0 = 13.071\mathbf{v}_1 - 7.472\mathbf{v}_2 + 12.326\mathbf{v}_3 \end{array}$$

- c. Get an exact formula for \mathbf{P}_t . You may leave the \mathbf{v}_i 's in your answer.

- d. Give a formula for \mathbf{P}_t that approximates it well when t is large.

- e. What is the approximate annual growth rate? _____
 f. In the long run what growth stage forms the majority of the population, and how can you tell?