

Math 316 - Sample Final Solutions- Spring 09
Also Review Tests, Quizzes and HW problems.

Final Exam: Tuesday, May 5, 3:45-6:45pm.

1. Find a basis for the image and a basis for the kernel of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 6 & 6 & 6 & 6 \\ 1 & 7 & 8 & 10 & 12 \\ 1 & 6 & 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution: The reduced row echelon form of A , $rref(A)$ is given by

$$rref(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -6 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since the pivot 1 appear in the 1st, 2nd and 4th columns, the corresponding columns of A form a basis for the image of A . Since there is no pivot 1 in the 3rd and 5th column, x_3 and x_5 are free variables, so if we let $x_3 = a$ and $x_5 = b$, then

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Show that $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} : x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 = 0 \right\}$ is a subspace of R^4 . Specify the dimension of W by exhibiting a basis.

Solution: Let $u = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{bmatrix}$, then $u + v = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \\ x_3 + y_3 \\ x_4 + y_4 \end{bmatrix}$ is in W , since

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1 + y_1) - (x_2 + y_2) + 2(x_3 + y_3) + (x_4 + y_4) &= \\ (x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4) + (y_1 - y_2 + 2y_3 + y_4) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is justified since u and v are in W . Hence W is closed under the

vector addition. Also, for $\lambda \in R$, as $\lambda u = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda x_1 \\ \lambda x_2 \\ \lambda x_3 \\ \lambda x_4 \end{bmatrix}$,

$$\lambda x_1 - \lambda x_2 + 2\lambda x_3 + \lambda x_4 = \lambda(x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4) = 0$$

where the last equality is due to the fact that $x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 = 0$. Hence $\lambda u \in W$ and thus W is closed under the scalar multiplication. The above discussion shows that W is a subspace.

$x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 = 0$ is one equation in four unknowns, so there are three free variables, say, x_2, x_3, x_4 . Let $x_2 = a, x_3 = b, x_4 = c$, which makes $x_1 = a - 2b - c$ and thus

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Let L be the line through the origin in R^2 that consists of all scalar multiple of $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

- Find the projection of $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ onto L .
- Find the reflection of $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ about L .
- Find the matrix of projection onto L .
- Find eigenvalues of the matrix in part c.

Solution: (a) With $a = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $b = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, the projection of b onto a , $Proj_a b$, is

$$\frac{a^T b}{a^T a} a = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Reflection of b about a , $Ref_a b$, is

$$Ref_a b = 2Proj_a b - b = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c)

$$\frac{aa^T}{a^T a} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

(d)

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} - \lambda & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^2 - \lambda = \lambda(\lambda - 1)$$

so 0 and 1 are the eigenvalues of the projection matrix.

4. Given

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

a. Find the row reduced echelon form of A .

b. If $b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$, then under what conditions on b_1, b_2, b_3 does $Ax = b$ have a solution?

Solution: (a)

$$rref(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{8}{3} & \frac{2}{15} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{15} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Part a shows that the column space of A is R^3 (see the pivot 1 appears in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd columns). So any right hand vector b gives a solution to $Ax = b$.

5.

a. Show that if $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ are linearly independent vectors, then any subset of $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ is linearly independent.

Solution: Let $\{v_{k_1}, \dots, v_{k_m}\}$ be any subset of $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$. To show that it is a linearly independent set, we let $c_{k_1}v_{k_1} + \dots + c_{k_m}v_{k_m} = 0$. Expand this to form a linear combination of v_1, \dots, v_n , $c_1v_1 + \dots + c_nv_n = 0$. Here some v_i s are v_{k_1}, \dots, v_{k_m} . For example, if $v_{k_1} = v_1$ and $v_{k_2} = v_3$ are taken as elements in the subset, then

$$c_{k_1}v_{k_1} + c_{k_2}v_{k_2} = 0$$

is expanded to

$$c_{k_1}v_{k_1} + c_2v_2 + c_{k_2}v_3 + \dots + c_nv_n = 0$$

and this induces $c_{k_1} = c_2 = c_{k_2} = \dots = c_n = 0$ since v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n are linearly independent. This shows that $c_{k_1} = c_{k_2} = 0$ and v_{k_1} and v_{k_2} are linearly independent.

b. If $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$ are linearly independent, then $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3$ are linearly independent vectors.

Solution: Consider

$$c_1\vec{v}_1 + c_2(\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2) + c_3(\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3) = 0$$

We want to show that $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$. Now

$$c_1\vec{v}_1 + c_2(\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2) + c_3(\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3) = 0 \implies (c_1 + c_2 + c_3)\vec{v}_1 + (c_2 + c_3)\vec{v}_2 + c_3\vec{v}_3 = 0$$

Since $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$ are linearly independent, this implies that

$$\begin{aligned}c_1 + c_2 + c_3 &= 0 \\c_2 + c_3 &= 0 \\c_3 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

which gives $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$.

6. Given

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 3 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find all eigenvalues of A and corresponding eigenvectors. Find a nonsingular matrix S for which $S^{-1}AS$ is a diagonal matrix Λ . What is Λ ?

Solution: $\det[A - \lambda I] = (\lambda + 6)(\lambda - 4)$ so $\lambda = -6$ and $\lambda = 4$ are eigenvalues of A . The corresponding eigenvectors are $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, respectively. So

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad S^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{10} & \frac{3}{10} \\ \frac{3}{10} & \frac{1}{10} \end{bmatrix}$$

7.

a. Use the Gram-Schmidt process on the sequence of vectors

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

- b. Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, find orthogonal matrix Q and upper triangular matrix R for which $A = QR$.

Solution: (a) Let

$$a = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad c = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$q_1 = \frac{a}{\|a\|} \text{ gives } q_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$q_2 = \frac{B}{\|B\|} \text{ where } B = b - (b^T q_1)q_1 \text{ gives } q_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{30}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}} \\ \frac{5}{\sqrt{30}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$q_3 = \frac{C}{\|C\|} \text{ where } C = c - [(c^T q_1)q_1 + (c^T q_2)q_2] \text{ gives } q_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b) Recall that $A = OR$ where $Q = [q_1, q_2, q_3]$ and

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} a^T q_1 & b^T q_1 & c^T q_1 \\ 0 & b^T q_2 & c^T q_2 \\ 0 & 0 & c^T q_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{5} & \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ 0 & \frac{18}{\sqrt{30}} & \frac{8}{\sqrt{30}} \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Here you should have computed all the components of R in part (a).

8.

- If $\det(A) = 2$ and $\det(2A) = 64$, then what is the size of A ? Explain.
- If $B, C \in R^{3 \times 3}$ and $\det(B) = 4$ and $\det(C) = -2$, what is $\det(3BC)$? Explain.
- If $A = P^{-1}BP$ and $\det(A) = 5$, then what is $\det(B)$? Explain.

Solution: (a) If A is $n \times n$, then $\det(2A) = 2^n \det(A) = 2^{n+1}$. Setting the last expression equal 64, we get $n = 5$.

(b) Since B and C are 3×3 , $\det(3BC) = 3^3 \det(B) \det(C) = -216$.

(c) Since $\det(A) = \det(P^{-1}BP) = \det(P^{-1}) \det(B) \det(P) = \det(B)$, $\det(B) = 5$.

9. Consider the matrix $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

- a. Find the eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenvectors.
- b. Is B diagonalizable? If so, find S and D such that $D = S^{-1}BS$.

Solution:

$$\det[B - \lambda I] = \det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - \lambda & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = -\lambda(1 - \lambda)^3$$

Here the best way to evaluate the determinant above is the cofactor expansion along the 4th column as it contains three 0s. Hence the eigenvalues of B are 0 and 1 with respective algebraic multiplicities of 1 and 3.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is an eigenvector for } \lambda = 0 \text{ and}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

are eigenvectors for $\lambda = 1$. Since there are three linearly independent eigenvectors for $\lambda = 1$, its geometric multiplicity is 3 which agrees with its algebraic multiplicity. Hence B is diagonalizable.

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

10. Consider the following set of vectors in R^3 .

a $S_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

b $S_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

$$c \ S_3 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$d \ S_4 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Which of these sets are linearly independent? Which of them span R^3 ? Which of them form bases for R^3 ?

Solution:(a) For S_1 , form the following matrix and do row reduction.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \implies \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence three columns are linearly independent. Also

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & b \\ 1 & 1 & 4 & c \end{array} \right] \implies \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2b - 3c + 3a \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & c - a - b \end{array} \right]$$

implies that any vector $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$ in R^3 can be written as a linear combination of three vectors in S_1 . Hence S_1 span R^3 . S_1 , being linearly independent and span R^3 , is a basis.

Similarly one can show

- (b) S_2 is neither linearly independent nor span R^3 , hence not a basis.
- (c) S_3 is not linearly independent, but it spans R^3 , hence not a basis.
- (d) S_4 is linearly independent but does not span R^3 , hence not a basis.

11.

a. Find the determinant of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 9 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 9 & 9 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

b. Find the determinant of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & \cdots & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & \cdots & 3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & \cdots & n \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: (a) You may use row operation or cofactor expansion to compute the determinant. For cofactor expansion, expand along the 4th column since it contains all zero except 5 in the (4,4) position.

$$\det A = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 9 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 9 & 9 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = 5 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 9 & 1 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 5 \cdot (-1) \cdot 9 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = -45$$

where the third equality is obtained by cofactor expansion along the 3rd row.

(b) Let's take the case for $n = 4$. Using the row operations,

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Generalize this to any n , we see that $\det A = 1$.

12. Solve $\frac{du(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} u(t)$, $u(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: From #6 of Test 2, $\lambda = 0$ and $\lambda = 1$ are the eigenvalues with corresponding eigenvectors of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ respectively. Let $S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, so that

$$\begin{aligned} u(t) &= Se^{\Lambda t} S^{-1} u(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{0t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{1t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

13. For $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$,
a. Find A^k .

b. Find $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k$.

Solution: (a) Routine calculation shows that $\lambda = -\frac{1}{4}$ and $\lambda = 1$ are the eigenvalues of A and their corresponding eigenvectors are $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ for $-\frac{1}{4}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ for 1. So if we let $S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, then $A = S\Lambda S^{-1}$ and

$$A^k = S\Lambda^k S^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (-\frac{1}{4})^k & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{5} & -\frac{3}{5} \\ \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Since $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (-\frac{1}{4})^k = 0$, from part (a),

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{5} & -\frac{3}{5} \\ \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \\ \frac{2}{5} & \frac{2}{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

14. Exercise #14, p. 264.

Solution: (a) Relative to a vector $\begin{bmatrix} America(k) \\ Asia(k) \\ Europe(k) \end{bmatrix}$, the information provided gives rise to the matrix equation describing this discrete dynamical system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} America(k+1) \\ Asia(k+1) \\ Europe(k+1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} America(k) \\ Asia(k) \\ Europe(k) \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) The eigenvalues of this 3×3 matrix are $0, \frac{1}{2}, 1$. Corresponding eigenvectors are

$$\lambda_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda_{\frac{1}{2}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) Since $\begin{bmatrix} America(0) \\ Asia(0) \\ Europe(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} America(k) \\ Asia(k) \\ Europe(k) \end{bmatrix} &= A^k \begin{bmatrix} America(0) \\ Asia(0) \\ Europe(0) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= S\Lambda^k S^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad S^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda^k = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1^k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (\frac{1}{2})^k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \begin{bmatrix} America(k) \\ Asia(k) \\ Europe(k) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) From part (c),

$$\begin{bmatrix} America(k) \\ Asia(k) \\ Europe(k) \end{bmatrix} = S \Lambda^k S^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

which reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1^k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (\frac{1}{2})^k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ & = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 - (\frac{1}{2})^{k+1} \\ 1 + (\frac{1}{2})^{k+1} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$