

**LINEAR ALGEBRA FOR MECHANICAL ENGINEERING,
SKETCHY SOLUTIONS OF THE MIDTERM, (09.06.2016)**

- (1) (a) Present the expression in the form $\frac{\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(\cos(-\frac{\pi}{3})+i\sin(-\frac{\pi}{3}))\right)^{24}}{\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(\cos(-\frac{\pi}{6})+i\sin(-\frac{\pi}{6}))\right)^{36}}$ and use the formula of de Moivre to get:

$$\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^{-12} \frac{\cos(-8\pi)+i\sin(-8\pi)}{\cos(-6\pi)+i\sin(-6\pi)}. \text{ And the later expression equals } \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^6.$$

- (b) Using $\sin(\alpha+\beta) = \sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta)+\cos(\alpha)\sin(\beta)$ one gets: $\text{Span}_{\mathbb{R}}(\sin(x+1), \cos(x-1)) \ni \sin(x), \cos(x)$.
Therefore $\text{Span}_{\mathbb{R}}(\cos(x + \ln(2)), \sin(x + \sqrt{2}), \sin(x + 1), \cos(x - 1)) = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{R}}(\sin(x), \cos(x))$.
Thus the needed dimension is 2.

- (2) (a) a. Bring the system to the canonical form. In terms of matrices after a few steps one has:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c & b \\ a^2 & b^2 & c^2 & a^2 \end{array} \right] \rightsquigarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & b-a & c-a & b-a \\ 0 & 0 & (c-a)(c-b) & a^2-b^2 \end{array} \right]$$

Thus:

- if a, b, c are all distinct then there exist the unique solution.
- if $(c = a$ or $c = b)$ but $a^2 \neq b^2$ then there is no solution.
- if $a = b$ then there are infinity of solutions.
- if $-b = a \neq b$ and $(c - a)(c - b) = 0$ then there is infinity of solutions.

- (b) i. Note that the condition $C^2AB^{-2} = BA^tC$ is linear in A . (It is satisfied by the zero matrix. If A satisfies it then $\lambda \cdot A$ satisfies as well. If A, \tilde{A} satisfy it then $A + \tilde{A}$ satisfies it as well.) Therefore V is a vector subspace of $M_{3 \times 3}(\mathbb{R})$.

ii. If V is a vector subspace, then it must contain the zero vector of the ambient space. (Which is the "zero" sequence: $0, 0, 0, \dots$) But the sequence of zeros does not converge to 1. Therefore V does not contain the sequence of zeros, thus V is not a vector subspace.

- (3) (a) Denote the columns of A by C_1, C_2, C_3 . Then $M_{3 \times 3}^{up}(\mathbb{C}) \cap V$ is the vector space of all the upper triangular matrices whose columns satisfy: $C_1 + 2C_2 + 3C_3 = 0$. Therefore the equations defining $M_{3 \times 3}^{up}(\mathbb{C}) \cap V$ are: $a_{33} = 0, 2a_{22} + 3a_{23} = 0, a_{11} + 2a_{12} + 3a_{13} = 0$. Thus a basis for $M_{3 \times 3}^{up}(\mathbb{C}) \cap V$ is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) The assumptions imply: $\text{Span}_{\mathbb{R}}(L_1, L_2) \ni (2, 1), (1, 2)$. The later vectors are linearly independent, thus $\dim \text{Span}_{\mathbb{R}}(L_1, L_2) \geq 2$. Therefore the rows L_1, L_2 span the vector space \mathbb{R}^2 . Thus (by the theorem of equivalent conditions for invertibility) A is invertible.

- (4) (a) If $\det(A) \neq 0$ then the canonical form of A is the unit matrix, \mathbb{I} . And the same for A^t . Thus both A and A^t are row-equivalent to the same matrix, hence they are row-equivalent.

- (b) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ then $A^t = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and the two matrices are not row-equivalent. (e.g. because $\text{Span}(\text{Row}(A)) = \text{Span}(0, 1)$ but $\text{Span}(\text{Row}(A^t)) = \text{Span}(1, 0)$.)