MATLAB Exploration #2 for MATH 1554

For each MATLAB assignment, follow the step-by-step formatting guidelines we provided. You will be graded on completeness, following directions, proper usage of comments, and overall readability of your code and published .pdf submission. We recommend format bank

For Week 8: MATLAB #2 - This exploration has **two parts**. (See following page for the Markov exploration)

Part 1: Basis of eigenvectors. Suppose A is a 3×3 matrix with the following eigenvectors and eigenvalues.

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
, with eigenvalue $\lambda = 1$,

$$\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
, with eigenvalue $\lambda = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}$,

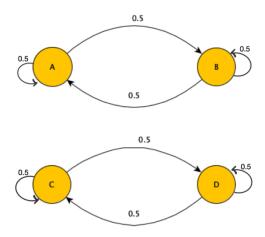
$$\vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
, with eigenvalue $\lambda = 0$.

(a) Find $[\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$ in the coordinates of the basis $\mathcal{B} = {\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}}$.

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 11 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) In the comments write \vec{x} as a linear combination of $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$. Use MATLAB code to check that your linear combination is correct.
- (c) For k = 1, ..., 10, find $[A^k \vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$ the coordinates of $A^k \vec{x}$ in the basis $\mathcal{B} = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$.
- (d) In the comments, write $A^k \vec{x}$ as a linear combination of $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$ for k = 2, 5, 9, 10. Check using MATLAB code that your linear combinations are correct.
- (e) Find $\lim_{k\to\infty} A^k \vec{x}$ and $\lim_{k\to\infty} [A^k \vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$ in both the standard coordinates and the coordinates in the basis $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$. Use comments in your MATLAB code to explain why the limit is what it is. *Hint: if the limit is* DNE then explain why using the idea of coordinates in the basis \mathcal{B} .

Part 2: Markov chains. Consider the transition diagram below.



- (a) Find the stochastic matrix P for the transition diagram.
- **(b)** Find the long term trend for the initial distribution $\vec{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ .3 \\ 0 \\ .7 \end{bmatrix}$.
- (c) Next, find the long term trend for some other initial distribution \vec{x}_0 which must satisfy the condition that $x_1 + x_2 \neq 0.3$.

Note: for parts (b) and (c) it is important to use semicolon; to suppress output that you don't need to print. We do NOT want pages of outputs of for loops, and any such submission will get a deduction of points based on the 'readability' requirement.

- (d) Find a basis $\mathcal{B} = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$ of \mathbb{R}^4 consisting of eigenvectors for P corresponding to $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$ and $\lambda_3 = \lambda_4 = 1$. Find the coordinates of $P^k x_0$ in the basis \mathcal{B} for some value of k between 1 and 5, and some other value of k between 10 and 20. What do you notice? Make a comment about what to expect for the long term trends for any initial \vec{x}_0 .
- (e) At the end, in the comments, answer the following questions:
 - (i) Does every initial \vec{x}_0 have the same long term trend?
 - (ii) Is P regular? Explain.