

Matrices 1

Q1.

A 3×3 matrix \mathbf{A} has eigenvalues $-1, 1, 2$, with corresponding eigenvectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

respectively. Find

- (i) the matrix \mathbf{A} ,
- (ii) \mathbf{A}^{2n} , where n is a positive integer.

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Q2.

A matrix \mathbf{A} has eigenvalues $-1, 1$ and 2 , with corresponding eigenvectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix},$$

respectively. Find \mathbf{A} .

[9]

Q3.

The matrix \mathbf{A} is given by

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -5 & 3 \\ 3 & -4 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Show that $\mathbf{e} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of \mathbf{A} and state the corresponding eigenvalue. [2]

Find the other two eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} . [4]

The matrix \mathbf{B} is given by

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Show that \mathbf{e} is an eigenvector of \mathbf{B} and deduce an eigenvector of the matrix \mathbf{AB} , stating the corresponding eigenvalue. [3]

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Q4.

The matrix \mathbf{A} , where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 10 & -7 & 10 \\ 7 & -5 & 8 \end{pmatrix},$$

has eigenvalues 1 and 3. Find corresponding eigenvectors. [3]

It is given that $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of \mathbf{A} . Find the corresponding eigenvalue. [2]

Find a diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} and matrices \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{P}^{-1} such that $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}$. [5]

Q5.

(i) The vector \mathbf{e} is an eigenvector of the matrix \mathbf{A} , with corresponding eigenvalue λ , and is also an eigenvector of the matrix \mathbf{B} , with corresponding eigenvalue μ . Show that \mathbf{e} is an eigenvector of the matrix $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}$ with corresponding eigenvalue $\lambda\mu$. [3]

(ii) Find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of the matrix \mathbf{A} , where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad [6]$$

(iii) The matrix \mathbf{B} , where

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 6 & 6 & -2 \end{pmatrix},$$

has eigenvectors $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Find the eigenvalues of the matrix $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}$, and state corresponding eigenvectors. [4]

Q6.

The matrix \mathbf{M} is defined by

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & m & 1 \\ 0 & m & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where $m \neq 0, 1, 2$.

(i) Find a matrix \mathbf{P} and a diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} such that $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{P}^{-1}$. [7]

(ii) Find $\mathbf{M}^7\mathbf{P}$. [3]

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Q7.

- (a) Find the values of a for which the system of equations

$$3x + y + z = 0,$$

$$ax + 6y - z = 0,$$

$$ay - 2z = 0,$$

does not have a unique solution.

[3]

The matrix \mathbf{A} is given by

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (b) Use the characteristic equation of \mathbf{A} to find the inverse of \mathbf{A}^2 . [4]

- (c) Find a matrix \mathbf{P} and a diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} such that $\mathbf{A}^5 = \mathbf{PDP}^{-1}$. [7]
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Q8.

- (a) Show that the system of equations

$$x - 2y - 4z = 1,$$

$$x - 2y + kz = 1,$$

$$-x + 2y + 2z = 1,$$

where k is a constant, does not have a unique solution.

[2]

- (b) Given that $k = -4$, show that the system of equations in part (a) is consistent. Interpret this situation geometrically. [3]

- (c) Given instead that $k = -2$, show that the system of equations in part (a) is inconsistent. Interpret this situation geometrically. [2]

- (d) For the case where $k \neq -2$ and $k \neq -4$, show that the system of equations in part (a) is inconsistent. Interpret this situation geometrically. [2]
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