

1. A “True or False” question. In this problem, assume A and B are 4×4 square matrices. Suppose:
- i) $\text{rref}(A) = R$ where R has exactly three leading-1's,
 - ii) $\text{rref}(B) = S$ and $S = I_4$. In the left margin, next to each statement, write “ T ” if the statement is it always true and “ F ” if it's not always true, for any such matrices A and B .
- a) A is an invertible matrix.
- b) The determinant of B is non-zero.
- c) The equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has infinitely many solutions \mathbf{x} for each $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbf{R}^4$.
- d) $\text{Nul}(A) = \text{Nul}(R)$.
- e) $\text{rank}(A) = 3$.
- f) $\text{Col}(B) = \text{Col}(S)$.
- g) The number 0 is an eigenvalue for A .
- h) The number 0 is an eigenvalue for B .
- i) $\text{Nul}(B) = \{\mathbf{0}\}$.
- j) A and B are not row equivalent.
- k) A and B are not similar.
- l) In any basis of $\text{Nul}(A)$, there is exactly one vector.

2. Let $B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 & 2 \\ -5 & 11 & 2 \\ 10 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ Here are some facts about B :

(i) $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ is in $\text{Nul}(B)$,

(ii) $\lambda = 10$ is an eigenvalue of B ,

(iii) $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector for B .

You should be able to answer these questions without finding any determinants and with maybe just one rref.

a) What is the eigenvalue corresponding to the eigenvector \mathbf{u} ?

b) What is the characteristic polynomial of B in factored form?

c) Show that B is diagonalizable by exhibiting P , D and P^{-1} that have the required properties.

3. Let $C = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 7 & -1 \\ 0 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

a) Find the characteristic polynomial of C in factored form starting from $\det(C - \lambda I)$; show all your work.

b) One of the eigenvalues should have multiplicity 2. Find a basis for the eigenspace of that eigenvalue.

c) Without actually finding P , D and P^{-1} , explain why C is diagonalizable.

4. Let M be the 4×4 matrix here. FACT: The product of

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & 2 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & 3 & 6 & -3 \\ 2 & -4 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}}_M \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 7 & 5 & -3 & 1 & 0 & 10 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 6 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 12 & -1 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 14 & 6 \\ 7 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is } \begin{bmatrix} 120 & 56 & 50 & 0 & 4 & 0 & 100 & 20 \\ -10 & 38 & 60 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 120 & -10 \\ 0 & 56 & 70 & 0 & -4 & 0 & 140 & 20 \\ 70 & 18 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 30 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Use this fact to find the eigenvalues of M , and bases for their respective eigenspaces. Note the fact contains useful and *not* useful information!

(b) Is M diagonalizable? (Y/N)

5. Let $D = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 1 \\ c & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & e \end{bmatrix}$ and suppose $\det(D) = -10$. Find each of the following:

(a) $\det(D^3)$

(b) $\det(3D)$

(c) $\det(D+D)$

(d) $\det(D^{-1})$

(e) $| |D| |$

(f) $|D^T|$

(g) ae

(h) $\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e \end{bmatrix}\right)$