

1. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$; then A is diagonalizable and has only two eigenvalues, 4 and 5. Find matrices P and D which represent a diagonalization of A . Even though only one of them is used in the diagonalization, find both P^{-1} and D^{-1} .

You may find it useful that $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ is row equivalent to $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, and

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is row equivalent to } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Show all your work.

Let's find the nullspace of $A - \lambda I$ where...

$$\lambda = 4: \quad A - 4I = \begin{bmatrix} 6-4 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 4-4 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 & 3-4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore the solns of $A - 4I = \vec{0}$ are $x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ where x_2 & x_3 are free,

a basis for this nullspace is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

$\lambda = 5$ similarly, a basis for the null space of $A - 5I$ is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

there are variations on the following answers, since D isn't unique and neither are the bases above, nor is the order in which we write the 2 vectors for $\lambda = 4$ when making P . so...

One answer:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1/2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Find a 2×2 matrix A that has $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ as eigenvectors with associated eigenvalues 3 and 1, respectively. Show all your work, including any matrices you create in order to do this problem. CIRCLE your final matrix A .

Let's "make" $P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ and $D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$; then $P^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

and $A = PDP^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & -8 \\ 10 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$

ANOTHER WAY to do this problem: let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$; then

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2a + 2b = 6 \\ 2c + 2d = 6 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{AND } A \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 4a + 5b = 4 \\ 4c + 5d = 5 \end{cases}$$

this gives 4 eqns in 4 unknowns, resulting in the augmented matrix:

$$\begin{array}{cccc|c} a & b & c & d & \\ \hline 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 6 \\ 4 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 5 & 5 \end{array}$$

which has RREF $\left[\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{I}_4 \\ \hline 11 \\ -8 \\ 10 \\ -7 \end{array} \right]$, i.e. $\begin{cases} a=11 \\ b=-8 \\ c=10 \\ d=-7 \end{cases} \Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & -8 \\ 10 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$

3. Mark each statement TRUE if it is always true, and FALSE if there are counter examples. Let A be an $n \times n$ square matrix.

a. A^{-1} exists \Rightarrow A is diagonalizable. **F**

b. A^{-1} exists \Rightarrow A does not have 0 as an eigenvalue. **T**

c. A is diagonalizable \Rightarrow A^{-1} exists. **F**

d. If 0 is not an eigenvalue of A then A is not singular. **T**

A^{-1} exists does NOT mean the roots of the char. poly will

all be real, or that "multiplicities match"

(eigenspace dimension = eig.val. mults)

A^{-1} exists means the only solution to $A\vec{x} = 0\vec{x}$ is $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

to say 0 is NOT an eigenvalue

means $A\vec{x} = 0\vec{x}$ has only the trivial soln,

so its cols. are L.I., so it's invertible, i.e. not singular

replace the "3" with a "0" in problem 2. A will be diagonalizable, but A^{-1} won't exist.