

Complete Solutions to Exercises 7.3

1. (a) (i) We are given the matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ for which we need to find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors. Since we have a diagonal matrix therefore by Proposition (7-3) the eigenvalues are the entries along the leading diagonal, $\lambda_1 = 1$ and $\lambda_2 = 2$.

For the eigenvalue $\lambda_1 = 1$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x = 1 \text{ and } y = 0$$

Our eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_1 = 1$ is $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. The eigenvector for the other eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 2$ is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x = 0 \text{ and } y = 1$$

The eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda_2 = 2$ is $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

(ii) To find the invertible matrix \mathbf{P} we need to follow the procedure outlined in the main text.
Step 1:

Need to check that the eigenvectors are linearly independent. Since $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are **not** multiples of each other therefore eigenvectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are linearly independent.

Step 2:

The matrix \mathbf{P} is given by

$$\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{v}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I}$$

Note that the matrix \mathbf{P} is the identity matrix \mathbf{I} .

Step 3:

The diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} is given by $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}$:

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{I}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that \mathbf{D} is a diagonal matrix with **eigenvalues** $\lambda_1 = 1$ and $\lambda_2 = 2$ as the entries along the leading diagonal.

(b) (i) We need to find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$:

Proposition (7-3). If matrix \mathbf{A} is a diagonal or triangular matrix then the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are the entries along the leading diagonal.

$$\begin{aligned}
\det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 1-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \\
&= (1-\lambda)(1-\lambda) - 1 \\
&= 1 - 2\lambda + \lambda^2 - 1 \\
&= \lambda^2 - 2\lambda = \lambda(\lambda - 2) = 0 \text{ gives } \lambda_1 = 0 \text{ and } \lambda_2 = 2
\end{aligned}$$

For the eigenvalue $\lambda_1 = 0$ we can find the eigenvector by:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1-0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x + y = 0$$

Thus $x = -y$ and let $y = 1$ then $x = -1$. The corresponding eigenvector is $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Similarly we can find the eigenvector \mathbf{v} belonging to the other eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 2$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1-2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x = 1 \text{ and } y = 1$$

Thus $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ belongs to the eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 2$.

(ii) Step 1:

Need to check that $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are linearly independent. Since one vector is **not** a multiple of the other therefore they are linearly independent.

Step 2:

$$\text{Let } \mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{v}) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Step 3:

Then taking the inverse of this matrix \mathbf{P} we get $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Thus $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}$ is

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} && \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Multiplying the} \\ \text{two Left Hand matrices} \end{array} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} && \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Multiplying by scalar } \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Again the leading diagonal entries are 0 and 2 which are the eigenvalues of the given matrix \mathbf{A} .

(c) (i) The eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ are $\lambda_1 = 3$ and $\lambda_2 = 4$ because by Proposition (7-3)

the entries along the leading diagonal are the eigenvalues of a triangular matrix and \mathbf{A} is a triangular matrix.

Proposition (7-3). If matrix \mathbf{A} is a diagonal or triangular matrix then the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are the entries along the leading diagonal.

The eigenvector \mathbf{u} belonging to $\lambda_1 = 3$ is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3-3 & 0 \\ 4 & 4-3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x=1 \text{ and } y=-4$$

Hence $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$. The eigenvector \mathbf{v} corresponding to $\lambda_2 = 4$ is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3-4 & 0 \\ 4 & 4-4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x=0 \text{ and } y=1$$

Thus $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ for $\lambda_2 = 4$.

(ii) Step 1:

The eigenvectors $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are linearly independent.

Step 2:

Let $\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{v}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Step 3:

Then taking the inverse of this matrix \mathbf{P} we get $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Thus $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 16 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Again the leading diagonal entries are 3 and 4 which are the eigenvalues of matrix \mathbf{A} .

(d) (i) We are given the matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$. The eigenvalues are

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda & 2 \\ 1 & 3-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (2-\lambda)(3-\lambda) - 2 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 4 = (\lambda-1)(\lambda-4) = 0 \text{ gives } \lambda_1 = 1 \text{ and } \lambda_2 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvector \mathbf{u} belonging to $\lambda_1 = 1$ is evaluated by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2-1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3-1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x=2 \text{ and } y=-1$$

Hence $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$. The eigenvector \mathbf{v} corresponding to $\lambda_2 = 4$ is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2-4 & 2 \\ 1 & 3-4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x=1 \text{ and } y=1$$

Thus the eigenvector $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ belongs to the eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 4$.

(ii) Step 1:

The eigenvectors $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are linearly independent because they are **not** multiples of each other.

Step 2:

Let $\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{v}) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Step 3:

Then taking the inverse of this matrix \mathbf{P} we get $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Substituting these into

$\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 4 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 12 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Again the leading diagonal entries are 1 and 4 which are the eigenvalues of matrix \mathbf{A} .

2. (a) By Proposition (7-14) we have $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ and we use this to find \mathbf{A}^5 .

(a) We are given $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and from question 1 part (a) we have $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I}$ and

$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Therefore

$$\mathbf{A}^5 = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^5\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \mathbf{I} \begin{pmatrix} 1^5 & 0 \\ 0 & 2^5 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 32 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Because } 1^5 = 1 \\ \text{and } 2^5 = 32 \end{array} \right]$$

(b) We are given $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and from question 1 part (b) we have $\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$,

$\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^5 &= \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^5\mathbf{P}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^5 \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 32 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Taking the scalar} \\ 1/2 \text{ to the front} \end{array} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 32 \\ 0 & 32 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 32 & 32 \\ 32 & 32 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 16 & 16 \\ 16 & 16 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(c) We need to find \mathbf{A}^5 for $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$. From question 1 part (c) we have

$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^5 &= \mathbf{PD}^5\mathbf{P}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}^5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 243 & 0 \\ 0 & 1024 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Because } 3^5 = 243 \\ \text{and } 4^5 = 1024 \end{array} \right] \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 243 & 0 \\ -972 & 1024 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 243 & 0 \\ 3124 & 1024 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(d) We need to find \mathbf{A}^5 given that $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$. We use $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{PD}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ with $m = 5$. What is

\mathbf{P} , \mathbf{D} and \mathbf{P}^{-1} equal to?

By question 1 part (d) we have $\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Thus

substituting these into $\mathbf{A}^5 = \mathbf{PD}^5\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^5 &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}^5 \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1024 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Because } 1^5 = 1 \\ \text{and } 4^5 = 1024 \end{array} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1024 \\ -1 & 1024 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1026 & 2046 \\ 1023 & 2049 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 342 & 682 \\ 341 & 683 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(b) By the above part (c) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^{-1/2} &= \mathbf{PD}^{-1/2}\mathbf{P}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}^{-1/2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Because } 3^{-1/2} = 1/\sqrt{3} \\ \text{and } 4^{-1/2} = 1/2 \end{array} \right] \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{3} & 0 \\ -4/\sqrt{3} & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 2-4/\sqrt{3} & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

3. (a) (i) What are the eigenvalues of the diagonal matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$?

Since we have a diagonal matrix therefore the eigenvalues are the entries on the leading diagonal which is $\lambda_1 = 1$, $\lambda_2 = 2$ and $\lambda_3 = 3$. For $\lambda_1 = 1$.

Let \mathbf{u} be the eigenvector then

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1-1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3-1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{gives } x=1, y=0 \text{ and } z=0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_1 = 1$. Let \mathbf{v} be the eigenvector belonging to

the second eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} - 2\mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1-2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3-2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{gives } x=0, y=1 \text{ and } z=0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the eigenvector $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ corresponds to the eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 2$. Let \mathbf{w} be the

eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_3 = 3$:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} - 3\mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1-3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3-3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{gives } x=0, y=0 \text{ and } z=1 \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvector $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ belongs to the eigenvalue $\lambda_3 = 3$.

Step 1:

The eigenvectors $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are linearly independent.

Step 2:

The invertible (nonsingular) matrix is $\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{v} : \mathbf{w}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I}$.

Step 3:

Hence $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$. We have

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{I}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Again the eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 1$, $\lambda_2 = 2$ and $\lambda_3 = 3$ of the matrix \mathbf{A} are along the leading diagonal.

(iii) To find \mathbf{A}^4 we need to use $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{D}^m \mathbf{P}^{-1}$ with $m = 4$:

$$\mathbf{A}^4 = \mathbf{I} \mathbf{D}^4 \mathbf{I}^{-1} = \mathbf{D}^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1^4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2^4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3^4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 16 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 81 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) (i) What are the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$?

Since we have an upper triangular matrix therefore by using Proposition (7-3) we have $\lambda_1 = -1$, $\lambda_2 = 4$ and $\lambda_3 = 5$. What else do we need to find?

The eigenvector for each eigenvalue. Let \mathbf{u} be the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_1 = -1$:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} - (-1)\mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 - (-1) & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 - (-1) & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 - (-1) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{gives } x=1, y=0 \text{ and } z=0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_1 = -1$. Let \mathbf{v} be the eigenvector belonging to

the second eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 4$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} - 4\mathbf{I})\mathbf{v} &= \begin{pmatrix} -1-4 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4-4 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5-4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{gives } x=4, y=5 \text{ and } z=0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Let \mathbf{w} be the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_3 = 5$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} - 5\mathbf{I})\mathbf{w} &= \begin{pmatrix} -1-5 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4-5 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5-5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x=2, y=3 \text{ and } z=1 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. We have the eigenvectors $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ corresponding to

the eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = -1$, $\lambda_2 = 4$ and $\lambda_3 = 5$ respectively.

(ii) Step 1:

The eigenvectors $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are linearly independent.

Step 2:

The invertible (nonsingular) matrix is $\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{v} : \mathbf{w}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Step 3:

We could check $\mathbf{PD} = \mathbf{AP}$ to ensure that we have the correct matrices \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{D} . Since we need to find \mathbf{A}^4 so we need to find \mathbf{P}^{-1} because $\mathbf{A}^4 = \mathbf{PD}^4\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ so we could just check that we have $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{AP}$.

The diagonal matrix $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{AP}$. We need to find the inverse of \mathbf{P} . Using MATLAB or our

early theory on matrices we have $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$.

Substituting $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ into $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{AP}$

gives

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{AP} &= \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 4 & -12 \\ 0 & 0 & 25 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 20 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 25 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(iii) To find \mathbf{A}^4 we need to use $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ with $m = 4$:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A}^4 = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^4\mathbf{P}^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}^4 \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 256 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 625 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Because } (-1)^4 = 1 \\ 4^4 = 256 \text{ and } 5^4 = 625 \end{array} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1024 & 1250 \\ 0 & 1280 & 1875 \\ 0 & 0 & 625 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1020 & 3180 \\ 0 & 1280 & 5535 \\ 0 & 0 & 3125 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 204 & 636 \\ 0 & 256 & 1107 \\ 0 & 0 & 625 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Multiplying by the} \\ \text{scalar } \frac{1}{5} \end{array} \right]\end{aligned}$$

(c) (i) What are the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$?

Since we have a lower triangular matrix therefore by using Proposition (7-3) the eigenvalues are $\lambda_1 = 2$, $\lambda_2 = 5$ and $\lambda_3 = 6$. What else do we need to find?

The eigenvector for each eigenvalue. Let \mathbf{u} be the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_1 = 2$:

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{A} - \lambda_1 \mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2-2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 5-2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 6-2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{gives } x = -12, y = 4 \text{ and } z = 1\end{aligned}$$

Thus $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -12 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_1 = 2$. Let \mathbf{v} be the eigenvector belonging

to the second eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 5$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{A} - \lambda_2 \mathbf{I})\mathbf{v} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2-5 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 5-5 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 6-5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{gives } x = 0, y = 1 \text{ and } z = -2\end{aligned}$$

Proposition (7-3). If matrix \mathbf{A} is a diagonal or triangular matrix then the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are the entries along the leading diagonal.

Thus $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$. Let \mathbf{w} be the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_3 = 6$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} - \lambda_3 \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{w} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2-6 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 5-6 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 6-6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x=0, y=0 \text{ and } z=1 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. We have the eigenvectors $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -12 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ corresponding

to the eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 2$, $\lambda_2 = 5$ and $\lambda_3 = 6$ respectively.

(ii) Step 1:

The eigenvectors $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -12 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are linearly independent.

Step 2:

The invertible (nonsingular) matrix is $\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{v} : \mathbf{w}) = \begin{pmatrix} -12 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Step 3:

The diagonal matrix $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}$. We need to find the inverse of \mathbf{P} . Using MATLAB or our early theory on matrices we have

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} = -\frac{1}{12} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & -12 & 0 \\ -9 & -24 & -12 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{12} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 12 & 0 \\ 9 & 24 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Taking in} \\ \text{negative sign} \end{array} \right]$$

Substituting $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \frac{1}{12} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 12 & 0 \\ 9 & 24 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} -12 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ into

$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}$ gives

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} &= \frac{1}{12} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 12 & 0 \\ 9 & 24 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -12 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \frac{1}{12} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 20 & 60 & 0 \\ 54 & 144 & 72 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -12 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Multiplying the} \\ \text{two Left Hand} \\ \text{matrices} \end{array} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{12} \begin{pmatrix} 24 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 60 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 72 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Multiplying by the} \\ \text{scalar } \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Note the entries on the leading diagonal are the eigenvalues of the given matrix \mathbf{A} .

(iii) To find \mathbf{A}^4 we need to use $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ with $m = 4$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{A}^4 = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^4\mathbf{P}^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} -12 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}^4 \frac{1}{12} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 12 & 0 \\ 9 & 24 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \frac{1}{12} \begin{pmatrix} -12 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 16 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 625 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1296 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 12 & 0 \\ 9 & 24 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \frac{1}{12} \begin{pmatrix} -192 & 0 & 0 \\ 64 & 625 & 0 \\ 16 & -1250 & 1296 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 12 & 0 \\ 9 & 24 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \frac{1}{12} \begin{pmatrix} 192 & 0 & 0 \\ 2436 & 7500 & 0 \\ 6648 & 16104 & 15552 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 16 & 0 & 0 \\ 203 & 625 & 0 \\ 554 & 1342 & 1296 \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

(d)

4. (a) We are given $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ which is the identity matrix \mathbf{I} . Is the identity matrix

diagonalizable?

Yes because the invertible matrix $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{I}$ gives the result $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{I}\mathbf{I}\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{D}$ where \mathbf{D} is the diagonal matrix with 1's as the entries along the leading diagonal.

(b) Is $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$ diagonalizable?

Yes because the entries along the leading diagonal are the eigenvalues of this matrix. Thus $\lambda_1 = -1$, $\lambda_2 = 2$ and $\lambda_3 = 8$ are the eigenvalues and by Proposition (7-13) we conclude that the given matrix is diagonalizable because we have 3 distinct eigenvalues.

Proposition (7-13). If a n by n matrix \mathbf{A} has n distinct eigenvalues then the matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable.

(c) Similar to part (b). Since $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \sqrt{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 7 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 2 & 9 & 7 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$ has distinct eigenvalues

$\lambda_1 = \sqrt{2}$, $\lambda_2 = \sqrt{3}$, $\lambda_3 = 1/2$ and $\lambda_4 = -5$ therefore by Proposition (7-13) we conclude that the matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable.

5. From Example 17 we have $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Therefore $\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Substituting $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ into $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 10 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} && \begin{array}{l} \text{[Multiplying the two} \\ \text{Left Hand Matrices]} \end{array} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 15 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} && \begin{array}{l} \text{[Multiplying by the} \\ \text{scalar 1/3]} \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

Note that the eigenvalues have swapped around from the diagonal matrix of Example 17.

6. Since we have distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = -2$, $\lambda_2 = -5$ and $\lambda_3 = -1$ therefore by Proposition (7-13) we conclude that the matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable. The diagonal matrix will have the eigenvalues along the leading diagonal of the matrix. The eigenvalues on the leading diagonal occur depending on the order of eigenvectors \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} in the matrix \mathbf{P} .

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

What is the invertible matrix \mathbf{P} going to be?

It will be the eigenvectors \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} as the columns of the matrix \mathbf{P} provided they are

linearly independent. Since $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ are linearly independent

therefore

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} & \mathbf{v} & \mathbf{w} \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Proposition (7-13). If a n by n matrix \mathbf{A} has n distinct eigenvalues then the matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable.

By MATLAB we have $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = -\frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -5 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$. How do we find \mathbf{A}^3 ?

Substitute $m=3$ into $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ which gives $\mathbf{A}^3 = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^3\mathbf{P}^{-1}$.

Substituting $\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = -\frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -5 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$ into

$\mathbf{A}^3 = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^3\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^3 = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^3\mathbf{P}^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^3 - \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -5 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -125 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -5 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} -8 & -625 & 0 \\ -16 & -500 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -5 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 1218 & -585 & 0 \\ 936 & -420 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -203 & 97.5 & 0 \\ -156 & 70 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

7. (a) We are given the matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$. The eigenvalues are evaluated by

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 4-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (2-\lambda)(4-\lambda) + 1 \\ &= 8 - 6\lambda + \lambda^2 + 1 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 9 = (\lambda-3)^2 = 0 \text{ gives } \lambda = 3 \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda = 3$ is given by substituting $\lambda = 3$ into $(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ where \mathbf{u} is the eigenvector:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} - 3\mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2-3 & -1 \\ 1 & 4-3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\quad \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Placing the 2 by 2 matrix into row echelon form gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ yields } x = 1 \text{ and } y = -1$$

Thus the eigenvector $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ corresponds to the eigenvalue $\lambda = 3$. Since there is only one non-zero equation and 2 unknowns therefore there are $2 - 1 = 1$ free variable.

Thus this is the only independent eigenvector of $\lambda = 3$ because all the other eigenvectors are multiples of \mathbf{u} .

Since a 2 by 2 matrix has only one independent eigenvector therefore by Theorem (7-13):

Theorem (7-13). A n by n matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable \Leftrightarrow it has n linearly ind e.vectors.

We conclude that the given matrix is **not** diagonalizable.

(b) We are given the matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ -1 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$. The eigenvalues of this matrix are

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) &= \det \begin{pmatrix} -2 - \lambda & 4 \\ -1 & -6 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (-2 - \lambda)(-6 - \lambda) + 4 \\ &= 12 + 8\lambda + \lambda^2 + 4 \\ &= \lambda^2 + 8\lambda + 16 = (\lambda + 4)^2 = 0 \text{ gives } \lambda = -4 \end{aligned}$$

Let \mathbf{u} be the corresponding eigenvector. We have

$$(\mathbf{A} - (-4)\mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 + 4 & 4 \\ -1 & -6 + 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Putting the 2 by 2 matrix into row echelon form gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ yields } x = -2 \text{ and } y = 1$$

The eigenvector $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ belongs to the eigenvalue $\lambda = -4$. Since there is 1 non-zero

equation with 2 unknowns therefore the number of free variables is $2 - 1 = 1$. Hence \mathbf{u} is the only independent eigenvector.

For the given 2 by 2 matrix we have 1 independent eigenvector which means that the matrix is **not** diagonalizable because the number of independent eigenvectors (1) does **not** equal n (2) of the square matrix.

(c) We are given $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ which is a triangular matrix. Thus by Proposition (7-3):

Proposition (7-3). If matrix \mathbf{A} is a diagonal or triangular then the e.values of \mathbf{A} are the entries along the leading diagonal.

The eigenvalue $\lambda = 1$. To find the corresponding eigenvector \mathbf{u} we substitute $\lambda = 1$ into $(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{O}$:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1-1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1-1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1-1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x = 1, y = 0 \text{ and } z = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The last matrix is already in row echelon form and there are 2 non-zero equations and 3 unknowns which means there are $3 - 2 = 1$ free variable. This means that \mathbf{u} is the only eigenvector of the given matrix \mathbf{A} .

Since we are given a 3 by 3 matrix therefore $n = 3$ but we have only 1 linearly independent eigenvector therefore the given matrix is **not** diagonalizable.

8. (a) How do we find \mathbf{A}^{11} given that $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ -9 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$?

We need to use Proposition (7-14), that is $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ with $m = 11$. To find the matrix \mathbf{P} we need to find the eigenvectors which means we need the eigenvalues.

Using $\det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) = 0$ to find λ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) &= \det \begin{pmatrix} -4 - \lambda & 2 \\ -9 & 5 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (-4 - \lambda)(5 - \lambda) + 18 \\ &= -20 - \lambda + \lambda^2 + 18 \\ &= \lambda^2 - \lambda - 2 \\ &= (\lambda + 1)(\lambda - 2) = 0 \text{ gives } \lambda_1 = -1 \text{ and } \lambda_2 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Since we have two distinct eigenvalues, $\lambda_1 = -1$ and $\lambda_2 = 2$, for a 2 by 2 matrix therefore the given matrix \mathbf{A} can be diagonalised.

Let \mathbf{u} be the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_1 = -1$ then substituting this into $(\mathbf{A} - \lambda_1\mathbf{I})\mathbf{u}$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} -4 + 1 & 2 \\ -9 & 5 + 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ -9 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x = 2 \text{ and } y = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ is the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_1 = -1$. Let $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ be the eigenvector belonging to the other eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{A} - 2\mathbf{I})\mathbf{v} &= \begin{pmatrix} -4 - 2 & 2 \\ -9 & 5 - 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 2 \\ -9 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ gives } x = 1 \text{ and } y = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ is the eigenvector belonging to the other eigenvalue $\lambda_2 = 2$. What is our matrix \mathbf{P} equal to?

$$\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{v}) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\text{Because } \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

What else do we need to find?

The inverse of \mathbf{P} . Thus

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{6 - 3} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

We also need to determine the diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} to use $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{PD}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$. What is the diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} equal to in this case?

It is the diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} with the eigenvalues, $\lambda_1 = -1$ and $\lambda_2 = 2$, as the entries along the leading diagonal. (You may check that $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{AP} = \mathbf{D}$).

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now we have all the ingredients to use the formula $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{PD}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ with $m = 11$, that is $\mathbf{A}^{11} = \mathbf{PD}^{11}\mathbf{P}^{-1}$.

Substituting $\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ into $\mathbf{A}^{11} = \mathbf{PD}^{11}\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^{11} &= \mathbf{PD}^{11}\mathbf{P}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^{11} \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2048 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Because } (-1)^{11} = -1 \\ \text{and } 2^{11} = 2048 \end{array} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 2048 \\ -3 & 6144 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Multiplying the two} \\ \text{Left Hand Matrices} \end{array} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -6150 & 4098 \\ -18441 & 12291 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2050 & 1366 \\ -6147 & 4097 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Multiplying by the} \\ \text{scalar } 1/3 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } \mathbf{A}^{11} = \begin{pmatrix} -2050 & 1366 \\ -6147 & 4097 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) Similarly $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{PD}^{-1}\mathbf{P}^{-1}$. Evaluating this gives

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^{-1} &= \mathbf{PD}^{-1}\mathbf{P}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Because } (-1)^{-1} = -1 \\ \text{and } 2^{-1} = 1/2 \end{array} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\text{Taking out } \frac{1}{2} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 \\ -6 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} -15 & 6 \\ -27 & 12 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 2 \\ -9 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\text{Taking in } \frac{1}{3} \right] \end{aligned}$$

9. We prove this result by induction.

Proof.

Let $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_n \end{pmatrix}$ be a diagonal matrix. Then $\mathbf{D}^1 = \mathbf{D}$ which means all the entries on the

leading diagonal are to the index 1.

Assume the result is true for $m = k$ that is

$$\mathbf{D}^k = \begin{pmatrix} d_1^k & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_n^k \end{pmatrix} \quad (*)$$

Required to prove the result for $m = k + 1$, that is we need to show

$$\mathbf{D}^{k+1} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1^{k+1} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_n^{k+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

We have

$$\mathbf{D}^{k+1} = \mathbf{D}^k \mathbf{D} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} d_1^k & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_n^k \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{By } (*)} \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1^{k+1} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_n^{k+1} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{D}^{k+1}$$

Hence we have our result. ■

10. We need to prove proposition (7-9) which is the following:

Let \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{C} be square matrices. Then we have the following:

- I. Matrix \mathbf{A} is similar to matrix \mathbf{A} .
- II. If matrix \mathbf{B} is similar to matrix \mathbf{A} then the other way round is also true, that is matrix \mathbf{A} is similar to matrix \mathbf{B} .
- III. If matrix \mathbf{A} is similar to \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{B} is similar to matrix \mathbf{C} then matrix \mathbf{A} is similar to matrix \mathbf{C} .

How do we prove these results?

Use the definition of similar matrices:

Definition (7-2). A square matrix \mathbf{B} is **similar** to a matrix \mathbf{A} if there exists an invertible matrix \mathbf{P} such that $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{B}$.

Proof of I.

Matrix \mathbf{A} is similar to matrix \mathbf{A} because we have

$$\mathbf{I}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A}$$

where \mathbf{I} is the identity matrix. ■

Proof of II.

Assume matrix \mathbf{B} is similar to matrix \mathbf{A} then there is an invertible (nonsingular) matrix \mathbf{P} such that $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}$. Pre-multiply this by \mathbf{P} and post multiply this by \mathbf{P}^{-1} :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{P}^{-1} &= \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P})\mathbf{P}^{-1} \\ &= (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{P}^{-1})\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{P}^{-1}) \\ &= \mathbf{I}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A} \end{aligned}$$

We have $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{P}^{-1} = (\mathbf{P}^{-1})^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ because $(\mathbf{P}^{-1})^{-1} = \mathbf{P}$. Thus we have

$$\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{P}^{-1})^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{P}^{-1}$$

By Definition (7-2):

(7-2). **B** is similar to **A** if there exists an invertible matrix **P** such that $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{B}$.

We conclude that matrix **A** is similar to matrix **B**. This is our required result. ■

Proof of III.

Assume matrix **A** is similar to matrix **B**. This means that there is an invertible (nonsingular) matrix **P** such that

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{P} \quad (*)$$

We are also given that matrix **B** is similar to matrix **C**. This means that there is an invertible (nonsingular) matrix **Q** such that

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{Q}^{-1}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{Q}$$

Substituting this $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{Q}^{-1}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{Q}$ into (*) gives

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{Q})\mathbf{P} \\ &= (\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}^{-1})\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{P}) \quad \left[\text{Using rules of matrices } \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{BC}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{C}) \right] \\ &= (\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{P})^{-1}\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{P}) \quad \left[\text{Because } \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = (\mathbf{AB})^{-1} \right] \end{aligned}$$

By Definition (7-2) we conclude that matrix **A** is similar to matrix **C**. ■

11. Need to prove that if **A** is diagonalizable then \mathbf{A}^T is diagonalizable.

Proof.

We assume that **A** is diagonalizable. Thus there exists an invertible matrix **P** such that $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}$ where **D** is a diagonal matrix.

Taking the transpose of both sides of $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}$ gives

$$(\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P})^T = \mathbf{D}^T = \mathbf{D} \quad \left[\text{Because } \mathbf{D} \text{ is a diagonal matrix} \right]$$

What is the Left Hand Side $(\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P})^T$ equal to?

Using our rules on matrix transpose $(\mathbf{ABC})^T = \mathbf{C}^T\mathbf{B}^T\mathbf{A}^T$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P})^T &= \mathbf{P}^T\mathbf{A}^T(\mathbf{P}^{-1})^T \\ &= \mathbf{P}^T\mathbf{A}^T(\mathbf{P}^T)^{-1} \quad \left[\text{Because } (\mathbf{P}^{-1})^T = (\mathbf{P}^T)^{-1} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Since $\mathbf{P}^T = [(\mathbf{P}^T)^{-1}]^{-1}$ therefore

$$\mathbf{P}^T\mathbf{A}^T(\mathbf{P}^T)^{-1} = [(\mathbf{P}^T)^{-1}]^{-1}\mathbf{A}^T(\mathbf{P}^T)^{-1} = \mathbf{D} \quad \left[\text{Because } (\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P})^T = \mathbf{D} \right]$$

By Definition (7-3):

(7-3). A matrix **A** is diagonalizable if it is similar to a diagonal matrix.

We conclude that the matrix \mathbf{A}^T is diagonalizable. ■

12. We are given the matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. The eigenvalues and eigenvectors are

$$\lambda_1 = 3, \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_2 = 2, \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The diagonalizing matrix is the eigenvector matrix $\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. The formula for finding higher powers of matrices is:

$$\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$$

We need to find inverse matrix \mathbf{P}^{-1} :

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Substituting $m = 2, 3$ and 4 and the matrices into this formula $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ gives

$$\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^2\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 25 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Similarly we have

$$\mathbf{A}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 27 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 27 & 95 \\ 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 81 & 0 \\ 0 & 16 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 81 & 325 \\ 0 & 16 \end{pmatrix}$$

Substituting $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{A}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 25 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{A}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 27 & 95 \\ 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{A}^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 81 & 325 \\ 0 & 16 \end{pmatrix}$ into

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(\mathbf{A}t) &= \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}t + \mathbf{A}^2 \frac{t^2}{2!} + \mathbf{A}^3 \frac{t^3}{3!} + \mathbf{A}^4 \frac{t^4}{4!} + \dots \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} t + \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 25 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \frac{t^2}{2!} + \begin{pmatrix} 27 & 95 \\ 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \frac{t^3}{3!} + \begin{pmatrix} 81 & 325 \\ 0 & 16 \end{pmatrix} \frac{t^4}{4!} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

13. We are given that $\mathbf{F} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. The eigenvalues are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{F} - \lambda\mathbf{I}) &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 0-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (1-\lambda)(0-\lambda) - 1 \\ &= \lambda^2 - \lambda - 1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solving the quadratic by using the formula $\lambda = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ with $a = 1$, $b = -1$ and $c = -1$ gives

$$\lambda = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - [4 \times 1 \times (-1)]}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

The eigenvalues are $\lambda_1 = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ and $\lambda_2 = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$. What are the eigenvectors?

Let \mathbf{u} be the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_1 = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\left[\mathbf{F} - \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) \mathbf{I} \right] \mathbf{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} & 1 \\ 1 & 0 - \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} & 1 \\ 1 & -\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_2 & 1 \\ 1 & -\lambda_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[\text{Because } \lambda_2 = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \text{ and } \lambda_1 = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Expanding matrices we have

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_2 x + y = 0 \\ x - \lambda_1 y = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{gives } x = \lambda_1 \text{ and } y = 1$$

Note that this is the solution because $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) = -1$. Thus $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_1 = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$. Let \mathbf{v} be the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_2 = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\left[\mathbf{F} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) \mathbf{I} \right] \mathbf{v} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} & 1 \\ 1 & 0 - \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} & 1 \\ 1 & -\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 1 \\ 1 & -\lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

Expanding the matrices we have

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_1 x + y = 0 \\ x - \lambda_2 y = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{gives } x = \lambda_2 \text{ and } y = 1$$

Thus $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is the eigenvector belonging to $\lambda_2 = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$.

Since the eigenvectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are linearly independent therefore the eigenvector matrix \mathbf{P} is given by $\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{v}) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

The eigenvalue matrix $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

To ensure that we have the correct matrices \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{D} we check that $\mathbf{PD} = \mathbf{FP}$:

$$\mathbf{PD} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^2 & \lambda_2^2 \\ \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{FP} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 + 1 & \lambda_2 + 1 \\ \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The bottom rows of \mathbf{PD} and \mathbf{FP} are equal but the top rows seem to be different. *Can we show that these are equivalent?*

$$\lambda_1^2 = \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{1 + 2\sqrt{5} + 5}{4}$$

$$= \frac{6 + 2\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2} = 1 + \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} = 1 + \lambda_1$$

Similarly we have $\lambda_2^2 = 1 + \lambda_2$.

$\mathbf{PD} = \mathbf{FP}$ so we have the correct eigenvector and eigenvalues matrices \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{D} respectively.

14. By Question 3 of the last Exercises 7.2 the characteristic polynomial $p(\lambda)$ is given by

$$p(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - \text{tr}(\mathbf{A})\lambda + \det(\mathbf{A})$$

We find λ by equating this to zero and solving the resulting quadratic equation by using the formula with $a = 1$, $b = -\text{tr}(\mathbf{A})$ and $c = \det(\mathbf{A})$

$$\lambda^2 - \text{tr}(\mathbf{A})\lambda + \det(\mathbf{A}) = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) \pm \sqrt{[\text{tr}(\mathbf{A})]^2 - 4\det(\mathbf{A})}}{2}$$

Since we are given that $[\text{tr}(\mathbf{A})]^2 > 4\det(\mathbf{A})$ therefore we have 2 distinct roots of the

quadratic, say $\lambda_1 = \frac{\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) + \sqrt{[\text{tr}(\mathbf{A})]^2 - 4\det(\mathbf{A})}}{2}$ and $\lambda_2 = \frac{\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) - \sqrt{[\text{tr}(\mathbf{A})]^2 - 4\det(\mathbf{A})}}{2}$.

Since we have a 2 by 2 matrix and 2 distinct eigenvalues therefore by Proposition (7-13):

Proposition (7-13). If a square n by n matrix \mathbf{A} has n distinct eigenvalues then the matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable.

We conclude that the matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable. ■

15. Required to prove that if \mathbf{A} is an invertible and diagonalizable matrix then \mathbf{A}^{-1} is also diagonalizable.

Proof.

Assuming \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable means that there exists matrices \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{D} where \mathbf{D} is a diagonal matrix such that

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}$$

Using our rules of matrices we have

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{P}^{-1} \quad \left[\text{Pre-multiplying by } \mathbf{P} \text{ and Post multiplying by } \mathbf{P}^{-1} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^{-1} &= (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{P}^{-1})^{-1} \\ &= (\mathbf{P}^{-1})^{-1} \mathbf{D}^{-1} \mathbf{P}^{-1} \quad \left[\text{Applying } (\mathbf{ABC})^{-1} = \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{B}^{-1} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \right] \end{aligned}$$

This last result $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = (\mathbf{P}^{-1})^{-1} \mathbf{D}^{-1} \mathbf{P}^{-1}$ means that \mathbf{D}^{-1} and \mathbf{A}^{-1} are similar matrices because:

Definition (7-2). A square matrix \mathbf{B} is **similar** to a matrix \mathbf{A} if there exists an invertible matrix \mathbf{P} such that $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{B}$.

\mathbf{D}^{-1} is a diagonal matrix therefore \mathbf{A}^{-1} is diagonalizable. ■

16. We need to prove that if \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable then \mathbf{A}^m (where $m \in \mathbb{Z}$) is diagonalizable.
Proof.

\mathbf{A} is diagonalizable therefore by Proposition (7-14):

Proposition (7-14). If a n by n matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable with $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}$ where \mathbf{D} is a diagonal matrix then $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$

We have

$$\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1} = (\mathbf{P}^{-1})^{-1} \mathbf{D}^m \mathbf{P}^{-1} \quad \left[\text{Remember } (\mathbf{P}^{-1})^{-1} = \mathbf{P} \right]$$

Thus \mathbf{A}^m is similar to \mathbf{D}^m and the result of question 9 we have \mathbf{D}^m is a diagonal matrix. By Definition (7-3):

Definition (7-3). A n by n matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable if it is similar to a diagonal matrix.

We conclude that the matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable. ■

17. Required to prove that \mathbf{AB} is similar to \mathbf{BA} provided \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are invertible matrices.
Proof.

Let the invertible matrix $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{A}$ then $\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{AB})\mathbf{P} &= \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\mathbf{AB})\mathbf{A} \\ &= (\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A})\mathbf{BA} \quad \left[\text{Because } \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{BC}) = (\mathbf{AB})\mathbf{C} \right] \\ &= \mathbf{IBA} = \mathbf{BA} \end{aligned}$$

Since we have $\mathbf{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{AB})\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{BA}$ therefore by Definition (7-2) :

Definition (7-2). A square matrix \mathbf{B} is **similar** to a matrix \mathbf{A} if there exists an invertible matrix \mathbf{P} such that $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{B}$.

We conclude that \mathbf{AB} is similar to \mathbf{BA} . ■

18. (a) Need to prove that if matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are similar then $\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{B})$ where tr is trace.

Proof.

Assume matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are similar. Then by Proposition (7-10):

(7-10). Let \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} be similar matrices. The eigenvalues of these matrices are identical.

We have matrices **A** and **B** have the same eigenvalues, call them $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots$ and λ_n . Then by Proposition (7-6) part (b):

(7-6) (b) Trace of a matrix **A** is given by sum of eigenvalues, $tr(\mathbf{A}) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \dots + \lambda_n$

We have

$$tr(\mathbf{A}) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \dots + \lambda_n = tr(\mathbf{B})$$

Hence we have our required result, that is $tr(\mathbf{A}) = tr(\mathbf{B})$. ■

(b) Required to prove that if matrices **A** and **B** are similar then $\det(\mathbf{A}) = \det(\mathbf{B})$.

Proof.

Suppose matrices **A** and **B** are similar. By Proposition (7-10) matrices **A** and **B** have the same eigenvalues and by (7-6) part (a):

(7-6) (a) The determinant of the matrix **A** is given by $\det(\mathbf{A}) = \lambda_1 \times \lambda_2 \times \lambda_3 \times \dots \times \lambda_n$.

Hence $\det(\mathbf{A}) = \det(\mathbf{B})$. ■

19. Let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots$ and λ_n be the eigenvalues of matrix **A**. We are given that

$$|\lambda_1| < 1, |\lambda_2| < 1, |\lambda_3| < 1, \dots \text{ and } |\lambda_n| < 1$$

We are also told that the matrix **A** is diagonalizable which means that by Proposition (7-14) we have

$$\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$$

What is \mathbf{D}^m equal to?

$$\mathbf{D}^m = \begin{pmatrix} (\lambda_1)^m & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (\lambda_n)^m \end{pmatrix}$$

By using the hint in the question we know that if $|x| < 1$ then $x^m \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$. Applying this to $(\lambda_1)^m, (\lambda_2)^m, (\lambda_3)^m, \dots, (\lambda_n)^m$ we have $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda_1)^m = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda_2)^m, \dots, \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda_n)^m = 0$.

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\mathbf{D}^m) = \begin{pmatrix} (\lambda_1)^m & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (\lambda_n)^m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{O}$$

Thus as $m \rightarrow \infty$ the matrix \mathbf{D}^m is the zero matrix. Hence as $m \rightarrow \infty$ we have

$$\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{O}\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \mathbf{O}$$

This means that as $m \rightarrow \infty$ the matrix \mathbf{A}^m is the zero matrix.

20. We need to prove that the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A}^m are $(\lambda_1)^m, (\lambda_2)^m, \dots, (\lambda_n)^m$ providing **A** is diagonalizable with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$.

Proof.

We are told that **A** is diagonalizable so by Proposition (7-14):

Proposition (7-14). If **A** is diagonalizable then $\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1}$

We have

$$\mathbf{A}^m = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}^m\mathbf{P}^{-1} \quad (*)$$

where \mathbf{D} is the diagonal matrix with eigenvalues along the leading diagonal:

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

What is \mathbf{D}^m equal to?

$$\mathbf{D}^m = \begin{pmatrix} (\lambda_1)^m & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & (\lambda_n)^m \end{pmatrix}$$

From (*) we have \mathbf{A}^m is similar to \mathbf{D}^m and by Proposition (7-9) part (b) the diagonal matrix \mathbf{D}^m is similar to \mathbf{A}^m . Therefore

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A}^m \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}^m$$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{A}^m are the entries on the leading diagonal in \mathbf{D}^m . Thus

$(\lambda_1)^m, (\lambda_2)^m, \dots, (\lambda_n)^m$ are the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A}^m .

21. Theorem (7-11) is the following:

A n by n matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable \Leftrightarrow it has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

How do we prove this theorem?

We have the arrows pointing in both directions therefore we need to prove

1) \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable \Rightarrow it has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

2) \mathbf{A} has n linearly independent eigenvectors $\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}$ is diagonalizable.

Proof.

(\Rightarrow) . Assume the matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable and the eigenvectors of \mathbf{A} are

$$\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$$

This means there is an invertible matrix \mathbf{P} such that $\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}$ where \mathbf{D} is a diagonal matrix. Remember eigenvector matrix \mathbf{P} contains the eigenvectors of matrix \mathbf{A} :

$$\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \mathbf{v}_3 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n)$$

Matrix \mathbf{P} is invertible and from chapter 2 result (2-14):

Proposition (2-14). Let \mathbf{A} be the n by n matrix whose columns are given by the vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \dots$ and \mathbf{v}_n :

$$\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n)$$

Then vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly independent \Leftrightarrow matrix \mathbf{A} is invertible.

Hence the eigenvectors are linearly independent.

(\Leftarrow) . Assume matrix \mathbf{A} has n linearly independent eigenvectors belonging to the eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots, \lambda_n$ respectively and

$$\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \mathbf{v}_3 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n)$$

Consider the matrix multiplication $\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}$. We can carry out this matrix multiplication as $\mathbf{P}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{P})$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} &= \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \mathbf{v}_3 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n) \\ &= (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_2 \ \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_3 \ \dots \ \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_n) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are eigenvectors of matrix \mathbf{A} so by the definition (7.1):

$$(7.1) \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \lambda\mathbf{u}$$

We have $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_1 = \lambda_1\mathbf{v}_1$, $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_2 = \lambda_2\mathbf{v}_2$, $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_3 = \lambda_3\mathbf{v}_3$, \dots , $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}_n = \lambda_n\mathbf{v}_n$. Therefore

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = (\lambda_1\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \lambda_2\mathbf{v}_2 \quad \lambda_3\mathbf{v}_3 \quad \dots \quad \lambda_n\mathbf{v}_n)$$

We can also evaluate $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}$ where \mathbf{D} is a diagonal matrix. Let $\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} k_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_n \end{pmatrix}$ then

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{D} = (\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \mathbf{v}_3 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{v}_n) \begin{pmatrix} k_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_n \end{pmatrix} = (k_1\mathbf{v}_1 \quad k_2\mathbf{v}_2 \quad k_3\mathbf{v}_3 \quad \dots \quad k_n\mathbf{v}_n)$$

Let $k_1 = \lambda_1$, $k_2 = \lambda_2$, \dots , $k_n = \lambda_n$ then we have

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{D} = (k_1\mathbf{v}_1 \quad k_2\mathbf{v}_2 \quad k_3\mathbf{v}_3 \quad \dots \quad k_n\mathbf{v}_n) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}$$

Left multiplying both sides of $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}$ by \mathbf{P}^{-1} gives

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{D}) = (\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{P})\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{I}\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}$$

Hence $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}$ means the eigenvector matrix \mathbf{P} diagonalizes the given matrix \mathbf{A} . Hence matrix \mathbf{A} is diagonalizable. ■