

Submission Solution (3 April, 2022)

Q (1) $T(x, y, z) = (2x + 2y + z, 2y + z, 2x + 3y + z)$

a) $T(e_1) = T(1, 0, 0) = (2, 0, 2)$, $T(e_2) = T(0, 1, 0) = (2, 2, 3)$

$T(e_3) = T(0, 0, 1) = (1, 1, 1)$

$$[T]_{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) $[e_1]_{\beta} = (\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 0)$ $[e_2]_{\beta} = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$ $[e_3]_{\beta} = (-1, 0, 1)$

$$P_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

c) $[T]_{\beta} = P A P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 5 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$, $A P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 5 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

d) $[Tv]_{\beta} = [T]_{\beta} [v]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$, $[v]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 5/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

Rubric: Marks can be given just for getting correct answer

But deduct 50%, if steps are not shown.

Note: Any correct method can be used for calculations

Additional Calculations:

$$\rightarrow [e_1]_B = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \alpha_3 u_3 = (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3, \alpha_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1, \quad \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0, \quad \alpha_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 = 1 \quad \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 0}{2\alpha_1 = 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \alpha_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$[e_1]_B = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$$

$$e_2 = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \alpha_3 u_3 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0, \quad \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1, \quad \alpha_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 = 0 \quad \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \alpha_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$[e_2]_B = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$$

$$e_3 = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \alpha_3 u_3 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0, \quad \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0, \quad \alpha_3 = 1$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 = -1 \\ \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = -1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \alpha_1 = -1 \\ \alpha_2 = 0 \end{array}$$

$$[e_3]_B = (-1, 0, 1)$$

$$\rightarrow v = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \alpha_3 u_3 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1, \quad \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 2, \quad \alpha_3 = 4$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 = -3 \\ \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = -2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \alpha_1 = -\frac{5}{2}, \quad \alpha_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$[v]_B = \left[-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 4\right]$$

Submission for Sunday 3rd April 2022 – 30 minutes. Max Marks: 5 + 5

Q2. Given the matrix A below.

- Determine the characteristic polynomial of A and verify that A satisfies its characteristic polynomial. (2.5 marks)
- Is A invertible (YES/NO)? (One word answer in capitals.) (0.5 marks)
- If your answer to b. is YES, determine the inverse of A. If your answer is NO, justify your answer with reference to suitable calculations and results. (2 marks)

NB: Your answer to c. must use your answer to a. DO NOT USE ANY OTHER METHOD.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \\ -2 & 5 & 8 \\ 2 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

SOLUTION

a. The characteristic polynomial of A
is $\det(A - \lambda I) = -\lambda^3 + 3\lambda^2 - 2\lambda$ ①
[See last page for calculations]

For the remainder of the question, we
will work with the polynomial

$$q(\lambda) = \lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 + 2\lambda = \lambda(\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2)$$
 ②

This does not affect the answers.

Note that $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 8 \\ 6 & 5 & 16 \\ 0 & -2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ ③

and $A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 2 & 16 \\ 22 & 5 & 32 \\ -4 & -2 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$ ④

Hence, $q(A) = A^3 - 3A^2 + 2A$

(PTO)

(2)

(Cont'd)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 12 & 2 & 16 \\ 22 & 5 & 32 \\ -4 & -2 & -8 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 8 \\ 6 & 5 & 16 \\ 0 & -2 & -4 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \\ -2 & 5 & 8 \\ 2 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = [0], \text{ as required } \quad (5)$$

b) NO

c) Now, $A^3 - 3A^2 + 2A = [0]$

or $A[A^2 - 3A + 2] = [0]$

or $AB = [0]$, where $B = [A^2 - 3A + 2]$ (6)

Suppose A is invertible (BWOC)

By (6), A is a zero-divisor

since $B \neq [0]$.

However, by a known result

(See Q4(a), TUT 04, week commencing 2022 01 31)

an Invertible matrix cannot be a
zero divisor.

This is a contradiction. Result follows.

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a. Calculation of characteristic polynomial
→ 1 mark

Verification → 1.5 marks

For an incomplete or partial verification,
0.5 marks may be given if A^2 is correct
& 0.5 marks more if A^3 is correct.

However: Steps must be shown. If
correct answer, but no steps, cut 50% marks.

b. NO → 0.5 marks

c. Justify (only if NO is answer
for b.) → 2 marks.

The method must be the one
given (details of argument may be
slightly different).

Any other method → RREF, VIT,
etc. → 0 marks.

Additional calculations:

(4)

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 2 & 4 \\ -2 & 5-\lambda & 8 \\ 2 & -2 & -2-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= -\lambda \left[(5-\lambda)(-2-\lambda) + 16 \right] - 2 \left[(-2)(-2-\lambda) - 16 \right] + 4 \left[4 - 2(5-\lambda) \right]$$

$$= -\lambda \left[-10 - 3\lambda + 16 + \lambda^2 \right] - 2 \left[4 + 2\lambda - 16 \right] + 4 \left[-6 + 2\lambda \right]$$

$$= -\lambda \left[\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 6 \right] - 2 \left[2\lambda - 12 \right] + 4 \left[2\lambda - 6 \right]$$

$$= -\lambda^3 + 3\lambda^2 - 6\lambda - 4\lambda + 24 + 8\lambda - 24$$

$$= -\lambda^3 + 3\lambda^2 - 2\lambda \quad \neq \checkmark$$