

Step-1

a) D is invertible $\Rightarrow DD^{-1} = D^{-1}D = I$ and $CD = -DC$. (1)

Let us consider $C = IC$

$$= (D^{-1}D)C$$

$$= D^{-1}(DC) \text{ By associativity of multiplication of matrices}$$

$$= D^{-1}(-CD) \text{ By (1)}$$

$$= D^{-1}(-C)D$$

Therefore C is similar to $-C$.

Step-2

b) If two matrices are similar, then their eigen values are equal.

We have C is similar to $-C$.

But we follow that the eigen values are respectively the roots of $|C - \lambda I| = 0, |C + \lambda I| = 0$

So, it follows that if $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ are eigen values of C then

$-\lambda_1, -\lambda_2, \dots, -\lambda_n$ are eigen values of $-C$

Therefore, we confirm that the eigen values of the matrices C and $-C$ are the plus minus pairs of $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$.

Step-3

c) Given that $Cx = \lambda x$

Then $C(Dx) = (CD)x$

$$= (-DC)x$$

$$= -D(Cx)$$

$$= -D(\lambda x)$$

$$= -\lambda(Dx)$$

Therefore $C(Dx) = -\lambda(Dx)$