

1) a) Assume the matrix $B = A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Let us take $A - \lambda I$.

The characteristic equation is $\det A - \lambda I = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(2-\lambda)(1-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \{1, 2\}$$

For $\lambda = 1$,

$$(A - I | 0) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\therefore \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0}$$

For an eigenvector $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$, we look at equations

formed from ①:

$$x_2 = 0 - \text{①}$$

$$hx_2 = 0 - \text{②}$$

Setting $x_1 = s$, $x_3 = t$

$$E_0 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} s \\ 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow E_0 = \text{span} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

For $\lambda_2 = 2$;

~~$(A - 2I | 0) =$~~

$$\text{Take } A - 2I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(A - 2I | 0) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) - \text{②}$$

For eigenvector $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$, we get (from the equations derived from ①):

$$-x_1 + h x_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = h x_2 \quad - \textcircled{a}$$

and

$$x_3 = 0 \quad - \textcircled{b}$$

Setting $x_2 = 1$, $x_1 = h$,

$$E_0 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} h \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ 1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} h \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{span} \left(\begin{bmatrix} h \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Hence, the eigenvectors are:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} h \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\forall h$, this forms a linearly independent set as

$$c_1 e_1 + c_2 e_2 + c_3 e_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 + h c_3 \\ c_3 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ if and only if } c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$$

Recalling the definition of linearly independent vectors as a set of vectors $\{v_1, v_2, \dots\}$ such that:

$c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n = 0$ iff $c_1 = \dots = c_n = 0$, we know that the above vectors are linearly independent.

Hence, A is diagonalizable $\forall b \in \mathbb{R}$

b) Assume $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & b \\ 1 & 1 & b \\ 1 & 1 & b \end{pmatrix}$

The characteristic equation is:

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & b \\ 1 & 1 & b \\ 1 & 1 & b \end{pmatrix} - \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & b \\ 1 & 1 & b \\ 1 & 1 & b \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 & b \\ 1 & 1-\lambda & b \\ 1 & 1 & b-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda)((1-\lambda)(1-\lambda)-b) - (b-\lambda-b) + b(1-(1-\lambda)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(b-b\lambda+\lambda^2-\lambda-b) + \lambda + b\lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\lambda^3 - (b+1)\lambda^2 + \lambda^2 - (b+1)\lambda + (b+1)\lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^3 - (h+2)\lambda^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2(\lambda - h - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \{0, h+2\}$$

For $\lambda = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Take } A - 0I &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & h \\ 1 & 1 & h \\ 1 & 1 & h \end{pmatrix} = 0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & h \\ 0 & 1 & h \\ 0 & 0 & h \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (A - 0I | 0) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & h & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & h & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & h & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

For ~~any~~ vector $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$, we take the equations

derived from (1):

$$x_1 + x_2 + hx_3 = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Setting $x_2 = s$, $x_3 = t$, $x_1 = -(s + ht)$

$$F_0 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -s - ht \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -h \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow E_0 = \text{span} \left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

For $\lambda_2 = h+2$,

$$\text{Take } A - (h+2)I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & h \\ 1 & 1 & h \\ 1 & 1 & h \end{pmatrix} - (h+2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & h \\ 1 & 1 & h \\ 1 & 1 & h \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} h+2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h+2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h+2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -1-h & 1 & h \\ 1 & -1-h & h \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow (A - (h+2)I)(0) = \begin{pmatrix} -1-h & 1 & h & | & 0 \\ 1 & -1-h & h & | & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\downarrow R_2 = R_1 + R_2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1-h & 1 & h & | & 0 \\ -h & -h & 2h & | & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\downarrow R_2 = R_2 \times (-1/h)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1-h & 1 & h & | & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & | & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\downarrow R_3 = R_3 - R_2$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} -1-h & 1 & h & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\downarrow R_2 = R_2 - R_1$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} -1-h & 1 & h & 0 \\ 2+h & 0 & -2-h & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\downarrow R_2 = R_2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2+h} \right)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} -1-h & 1 & h & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) - (2)$$

For vector $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$, we look at the conditions

derived from (1):

$$x_1 + x_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = -x_3 - (2)$$

$$(-1-h)x_1 + x_2 + hx_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -x_1 + (h-h)x_1 + x_2 = 0 \quad [\because (2): x_1 = -x_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 - (3)$$

Setting $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = t$

$$\begin{aligned} E_0 &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t \\ t \\ t \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

The given eigenvectors would be:

$$e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, e_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Once again, we check for the linear independence of e_1, e_2, e_3 :

$$c_1 e_1 + c_2 e_2 + c_3 e_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -c_1 - \frac{1}{2}c_2 + c_3 \\ c_1 + c_3 \\ c_2 + c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_3 = -c_1 = -c_2$$

$$\text{and } \frac{1}{2}c_3 + 2c_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = -2 \text{ and } c_3 = -c_1 = -c_2$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{2} \neq -2 \text{ and } c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$$

\therefore if $\frac{1}{2} \neq -2$, $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ is linearly independent
as $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$

Hence, for A to be diagonalizable,

$$k \in \mathbb{R} - \{-2\}$$

2a) Consider a matrix $A_{n \times n}$ to be diagonalizable

Recalling that, for A to be diagonalizable, the eigenspace of A must consist of n linearly independent vectors

Consider v_0 to be an eigenvector with λ_0 as its eigenvalue. Then, by definition,

$$A v_0 = \lambda_0 v_0$$

Multiplying both sides by A^{-1} ,

$$\begin{aligned} (A^{-1} \cdot A) v_0 &= \lambda_0 (A^{-1} v_0) \\ \Rightarrow I \cdot v_0 &= \lambda_0 (A^{-1} v_0) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda_0} \cdot v_0 &= A^{-1} v_0 \quad \left\{ \lambda_0 \neq 0 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, eigenvectors of A^{-1} are same as of A with corresponding $\lambda \neq 0$.

For $\lambda = 0$,

$$\det(A - 0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det A = 0$$

However, A is invertible and we know that if A is invertible, $\det A \neq 0$.

Hence, $\lambda \neq 0$ for A .

Now, since the eigenspace of A^{-1} has the same vectors as A , they are linearly independent to each other.

$\therefore A^{-1}$ is diagonalizable,

hence proved.

$$A) A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } A^{2015} &= A^{2 \times 1007} \cdot A \\ &= [A^2]^{1007} \cdot A \\ &= I^{1007} \cdot A = I \cdot A = A \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore A^{2015} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

3a) Given that the inner product $\langle x, y \rangle$ is defined as the dot product $x \cdot \bar{y}$.

~~Assume~~ Given $a = \begin{bmatrix} 1-i \\ 1+2i \end{bmatrix}$ and
 $b = \begin{bmatrix} 2+i \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

To find the inner product,

$$\begin{aligned} (1-i)(2+i) + (1+2i)(\bar{2}) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (1-i)(2-i) + (1+2i)(\bar{2}) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 2-i-2i+i^2 + (1+2i)(\bar{2}) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow i^2 - 3i + 2 + (1+2i)(\bar{2}) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow -1 - 3i + 2 + (1+2i)(\bar{2}) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow -3i + 1 + (1+2i)(\bar{2}) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{3i-1}{2i+1}$$

Rationalizing,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{y} &= \frac{3i-1}{2i+1} \times \frac{2i-1}{2i-1} \\ &= \frac{6i^2 - 5 + 1}{4i^2 - 1} \\ &= \frac{6i^2 - 5i + 1}{-5} \\ &= \frac{-5 - 5i}{-5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{y} = \lambda + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \lambda - 1$$

Normalizing the vectors :

$$x = \frac{\vec{a}}{\|\vec{a}\|}, \quad y = \frac{\vec{b}}{\|\vec{b}\|}$$

$$\|\vec{a}\| = \sqrt{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\lambda \\ 1 & 2i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\lambda \\ 1 & -2i \end{bmatrix}}$$

$$= \sqrt{(1-\lambda)(1+i) + (1+2i)(1-2i)}$$

$$= \sqrt{1-\lambda^2 + 1-4\lambda^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2-5\lambda^2} = \sqrt{2-5} = \sqrt{7}$$

$$\|\vec{b}\| = \sqrt{\begin{bmatrix} 2+i \\ 1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2-\lambda \\ 1+i \end{bmatrix}}$$

$$= \sqrt{(2+i)(2-\lambda) + (1-\lambda)(1+i)}$$

$$= \sqrt{4-\lambda^2 + 1-\lambda^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{5-\lambda^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{5+1}$$

$$= \sqrt{6}$$

$$q_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} (1-i, 1+2i)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1-i}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{1+2i}{\sqrt{5}} \right)$$

$$q_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (2+i, 1-i)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2+i}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1-i}{\sqrt{6}} \right)$$

- b) The Gram-Schmidt process, when applied to a set of three vectors $\{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$ ~~yield~~, yields the same basis as the Gram-Schmidt applied to the vectors $\{a_3, a_2, a_1\}$.

Using the following vectors a_1, a_2, a_3 :

$$\text{Let } a_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, a_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, a_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Starting the basis from a_1 :

$$v_1 = a_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_2 = a_2 - \left(\frac{v_1 \cdot a_2}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \right) v_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{2}{14} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -1/7 \\ 5/7 \\ -3/7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_3 = a_3 - \left(\frac{v_2 \cdot a_3}{v_2 \cdot v_2} \right) v_2 - \left(\frac{v_1 \cdot a_3}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \right) v_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{-3}{35} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{3}{14} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -3/35 - 3/14 \\ 15/35 - 3/7 \\ 1 - 9/35 - 9/14 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -21/90 \\ 0 \\ 7/90 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

From the above calculations, it can be concluded that our basis is:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} - \text{B}$$

Building the basis starting from a_3 instead of a_1 :

$$v_1 = a_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_2 = a_2 - \left(\frac{v_1 \cdot a_2}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \right) v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - 0 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_3 = a_1 - \left(\frac{v_2 \cdot a_1}{v_2 \cdot v_2} \right) v_2 - \left(\frac{v_1 \cdot a_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \right) v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

From the above calculations, our basis turns out to be:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

As (1) and (2) are different, the statement is false.
Hence proved
(via counterexample).

4b) Let D be a diagonal matrix such that

$$P^{-1} M P = D \quad (P \text{ is an arbitrary matrix})$$

Squaring both sides,

$$(P^{-1} M P) (P^{-1} M P) = D^2$$

$$\Rightarrow P^{-1} M (P P^{-1}) P = D^2$$

$$\Rightarrow P^{-1} M I M P = D^2$$

$$\Rightarrow P^{-1} M M P = D^2$$

$$\Rightarrow P^{-1} M^2 P = D^2$$

[\because Using associativity of matrix multiplication]

Also, if D is a diagonal matrix,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \alpha_n \end{bmatrix}$$

D^2 is also a diagonal matrix

$\therefore M^2$ is also diagonalizable.

ii) If M^2 is diagonalizable, so is M .

Proving by counterexample,
we take $M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$M^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We can take any invertible matrix P ,

$$P^{-1}M^2P = P^{-1}0P = 0$$

as $[0]$ is a diagonalizable matrix,
 M^2 is diagonalizable

Finding P for M :

$$M - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & -\lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(M - \lambda I) = \lambda^2$$

$$\lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 = 0$$

Taking $\lambda = 0$:

$$(M - 0I | 0) = \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$x_2 = 0$$

$$\text{let } x_1 = t$$

$$E_0 \text{ has basis } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{span} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

As the algebraic and geometric multiplicity of $\lambda=0$ are not equal, i.e. there is only one corresponding eigenvector the matrix M is not diagonalizable although M^2 is.

Hence, the statement B is false.

Hence proved.