

# 2012-DSE-MATH-EP(M2)-Q11

## 11(a)

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-x & 4 \\ 2 & 3-x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-x)(3-x) - 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x - 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-5)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1 \text{ or } x = 5$$

## 11(b)(i)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -a \\ -b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a + 4b \\ 2a + 3b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -a \\ -b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2a + 4b \\ 2a + 4b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -2t, b = t \text{ for some real number } t.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = x_2 \begin{pmatrix} c \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5c \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} c + 4 \\ 2c + 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5c \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 1$$

$$\text{Also, } |P| = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ b & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} -2t & 1 \\ t & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \text{ for some real number } t$$

$$\Rightarrow -3t = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow t = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } P = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & 1 \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 11(b)(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} & P^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} P \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & 1 \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ \frac{5}{3} & \frac{10}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & 1 \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

## 11(b)(iii)

$$\begin{aligned} & P^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} P = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = P \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} P^{-1} \\ \Rightarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{12} = P \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}^{12} P^{-1} \\ \Rightarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{12} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & 1 \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5^{12} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{12} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & 5^{12} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 5^{12} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{12} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 5^{12} + 2 & 2 \cdot 5^{12} - 2 \\ 5^{12} - 1 & 2 \cdot 5^{12} + 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$