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### **DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**

#### **Course Material**

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#### Objectives:

- Student will be able to verify & find the Eigenvalues and Eigen vectors of square matrix of order  $n$ .
- Student will be able diagonalizable to square matrix  $A$  & find the powers of  $A$ , that is,  $A^n$ .
- Student will be able to find the quadratic forms of matrix  $A$  and orthogonal transform which transforms to quadratic form to canonical form.



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## INTRODUCTION

### • MATRIX REPRESENTATION OF LINEAR TRANSFORMATION

Let us consider matrix equation  $A\vec{X} = \vec{b}$ . Here,  $A$  is matrix of  $m \times n$  order,  $\vec{X}$  is column vector  $n \times 1$  order, then we are getting column vector  $\vec{b}$  of  $m \times 1$  order. Thus, here the matrix  $A$  of  $m \times n$  order is a linear transformation which maps the elements in  $R^n$  into the elements in  $R^m$ .

Let us take the examples

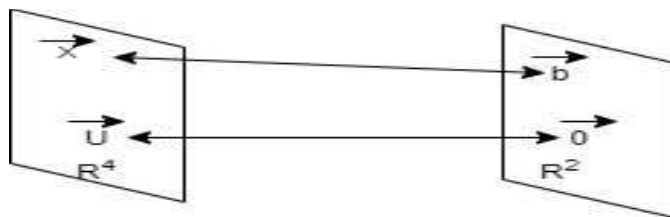
$$(i) \quad \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^\uparrow \quad \vec{X}^\uparrow \quad \vec{b}^\uparrow$$

$$(ii) \quad \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^\uparrow \quad \vec{U}^\uparrow \quad \vec{0}^\uparrow$$

Thus, the multiplication by  $A$  transforms  $\vec{X}$  into  $\vec{b}$  and transforms  $\vec{U}$  into  $\vec{0}$  vector. Thus, it is a linear transformation which maps the elements in  $R^4$  into the elements in  $R^2$  and represented as



### • TRANSFORMS VECTORS VIA MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

Let us consider the linear transformation  $X \rightarrow AX$ , which move vectors in a variety of directions. Let us take the examples

$$(i) \quad \text{If } A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then}$$



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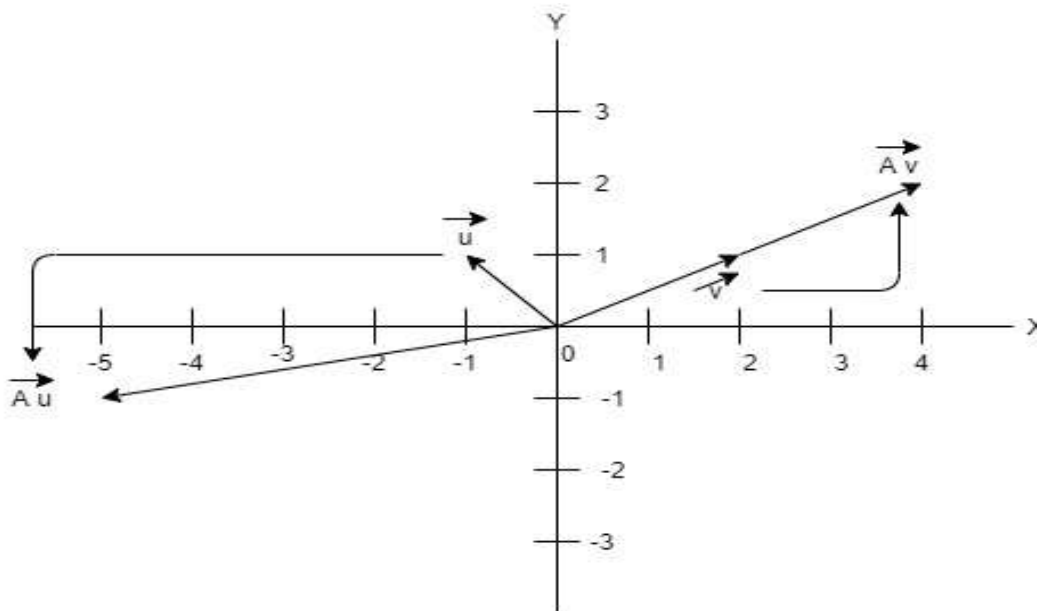
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$$A\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \neq \vec{u}$$

(ii) If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

$$A\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2\vec{v}$$



Thus, we are interested here the vectors that are transformed by matrix  $A$  into a scalar multiple of themselves.

**Characteristic Equation:** Let  $A$  be a square matrix of order  $n$ . The matrix  $A$  may be singular or non-singular. Consider the homogeneous systems of equations

$$AX = \lambda X \text{ or } (A - \lambda I)X = 0$$

where  $\lambda$  is a scalar and  $I$  is an identity matrix of order  $n$ . It represents the homogeneous system of equations & always have trivial solution. If the homogeneous system of equations have non-trivial solution, then the coefficient matrix  $(A - \lambda I)$  must be singular or its determinant value is zero. That is



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$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} - \lambda & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

Expanding the determinant given above, we obtain a polynomial of degree  $n$  in  $\lambda$ , which is of the form

$$P_n(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = \lambda^n - c_1\lambda^{n-1} + c_2\lambda^{n-2} - \cdots + (-1)^n c_n = 0$$

This polynomial equation  $P_n(\lambda) = 0$  is called the characteristic equation of matrix  $A$ .

**Eigenvalue & Eigenvectors:** The value of  $\lambda$ , for which non-trivial solutions of the homogeneous systems exist, are called the eigenvalues or characteristic value or latent root of matrix  $A$ . The corresponding non-trivial solution vector  $X$  are called the eigenvectors or the characteristic or latent vector of matrix  $A$ .

Solving the polynomial equation  $P_n(\lambda) = 0$ , we obtain  $n$  roots which can be real or complex conjugate in pairs, simple or repeated. The  $n$  roots  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots, \lambda_n$  of the polynomial equation  $P_n(\lambda) = 0$  are called the eigenvalues of matrix  $A$ . The corresponding eigenvectors are given by the solving the homogeneous system  $(A - \lambda I)X = 0$  for each value of eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots, \lambda_n$ .

Also we have

$$\text{trace}(A) = \text{Sum of eigenvalues} = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \cdots + \lambda_n$$

$$\det(A) = |A| = \text{Product of eigenvalues} = \lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_2 \cdot \lambda_3 \cdot \cdots \cdot \lambda_n$$



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#### Problems

**Q-1 Find the characteristic polynomial and the eigenvalue of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ .**

**ANSWER:** The characteristic equation of  $A$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} |A - \lambda I| &= \begin{vmatrix} 3 - \lambda & 2 \\ 3 & 8 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0, \\ &= (3 - \lambda)(8 - \lambda) - 6 = \lambda^2 - 11\lambda + 18 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Solving for  $\lambda$ , eigenvalues are 9 & 2.

**Q-2 Find the eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenvectors of the matrix  $A =$**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 5 \\ 2 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Answer:** The characteristic polynomial is

$$\begin{aligned} |A - \lambda I| &= \begin{vmatrix} 6 - \lambda & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 - \lambda & 5 \\ 2 & 2 & 6 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0, \\ &= (6 - \lambda)[- \lambda(6 - \lambda) - 10] + 3[3(6 - \lambda) - 10] + 1[6 + 2\lambda] = 0, \\ &= \lambda^3 - 12\lambda^2 + 29\lambda + 6 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Solving the cubic equation for  $\lambda$ , the eigenvalues are 8.5089, -0.1914 & 3.6825.

**Q-3 Find the eigenvectors of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .**

**ANSWER:** The characteristic equation of  $A$  is given by

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 0 \\ -1 & 1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0, \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 2 = 0.$$

Solving for  $\lambda$ , eigenvalues are  $1+i$  &  $1-i$ . The eigenvectors are:



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**For  $\lambda = 1 + i$ ,** the characteristic equation is  $[A - (1 + i)I]X = 0$ . It implies that  $\begin{bmatrix} -i & 1 \\ -1 & -i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . It gives the two equations  $-ix_1 + x_2 = 0$  &  $-x_1 - ix_2 = 0$  but it reduces to only one equation. Taking one of the equations, we obtain  $x_2 = ix_1$ . For  $x_1 = k, x_2 = ik$ . For  $k = 1, X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$  is the eigenvector.

**For  $\lambda = 1 - i$ ,** the characteristic equation is  $[A - (1 - i)I]X = 0$ . It implies that

$$\begin{bmatrix} i & 1 \\ -1 & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

It gives the two equations  $ix_1 + x_2 = 0$  &  $-x_1 + ix_2 = 0$  but reduce to a one equation. Taking one of the equations, we obtain  $x_1 = ix_2$ . For  $x_2 = k, x_1 = ik, X = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is the eigenvector.

**Q-4 Find the eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenvectors of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .**

**Answer:** The characteristic polynomial is  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$ , that is  $(1 - \lambda)^3 = 0$ . Solving the cubic equation for  $\lambda$ , the eigenvalues are 1, 1 & 1.

Solving the characteristic equation  $(A - \lambda I)X = 0$ , for each value of  $\lambda$ , we obtain the eigenvectors as follows:

**For  $\lambda = 1$ ,**  $(A - I)X = 0$ , where  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ . It implies that  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Taking  $x_1$  is free variable and  $x_2 = x_3 = 0$ , we obtain  $X = \begin{bmatrix} k \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . For  $k = 1, X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is the eigenvector for  $\lambda = 1$ .

**Q-5 Is  $\lambda = 4$  an eigenvalue of matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ -3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ ? If so, find one corresponding eigenvector.**



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**Answer:** The number 4 is an eigenvalue of A if and only if the equation  $AX = 4X$  have a nontrivial solution. It implies that  $(A - 4I)X = 0$ , for vector  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Thus

$$(A - 4I)X = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

The columns of A are obviously linearly dependent, since  $|A - 4I| = 0$  and it has a nontrivial solution, and so that 4 is an eigenvalue of A.

The eigenvector corresponding to eigenvalue  $\lambda = 4$  is given by the solution for row reduce the augmented matrix  $(A - 4I)X = 0$ , that is

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then,  $(A - 4I)X = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$ , it implies that  $-x_1 - x_3 = 0$  &  $-x_2 - x_3 = 0$ .

Taking  $x_3$  as free variable or  $x_3 = k$ . For  $k = 1$ , the eigenvector is  $X = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Q-6 Find a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to eigenvalue  $\lambda = 1, 5$  for the matrix**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Answer:** For  $\lambda = 1$ ,  $(A - I)X = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . It gives two equations  $4x_1 + 0x_2 = 0$  &  $2x_1 + 0x_2 = 0$ . Taking one of the equation, it implies that  $x_1 = 0$  & taking  $x_2$  as free variable or  $x_2 = k$ .

For  $k = 1$ , the eigenvector is  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .





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For  $\lambda = 5$ ,  $(A - 5I)X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ . It gives two equations  $0x_1 + 0x_2 = 0$  &  $2x_1 - 4x_2 = 0$

.From second equation, it implies that  $x_1 = 2x_2$  & taking  $x_2$  as free variable or  $x_2 = k$ .

For  $k = 1$ , the eigenvector is  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Thus the basis for eigenspace is two dimensional eigenspace of  $R^2$ , that is  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

**Q-7 Find a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to eigenvalue  $\lambda = 2$  for the matrix**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Answer:** The  $\lambda = 2$  is an eigenvalue of A if and only if the equation  $AX = 2X$  have a nontrivial

solution. It implies that  $(A - 2I)X = 0$  & for vector  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

$$(A - 2I)X = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

The row reduce augmented matrix  $(A - 2I)$ , that is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then,  $(A - 2I)X = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$ , it reduce to the one equation, that is

$2x_1 - x_2 + 6x_3 = 0$ . Taking  $x_2 = k_2$  &  $x_3 = k_3$  as free variable, then

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (1/2)k_2 - 3k_3 \\ k_2 \\ k_3 \end{bmatrix} = k_2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + k_3 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$



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For  $k_2 = 1$  &  $k_3 = 0$ ,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Also, for  $k_2 = 0$  &  $k_3 = 1$ ,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Thus, the two

dimensional eigenspace of  $R^3$  is the basis  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

**Q-8 Show that  $\lambda^{-1}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$ , if  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of an invertible matrix  $A$ .**

**ANSWER:** Here, matrix  $A$  is invertible, so that  $A^{-1}$  exists. Since,  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of an invertible matrix, then by definition  $AX = \lambda X$ .

Pre multiplying by  $A^{-1}$  both sides, we obtain

$$A^{-1}(AX) = A^{-1}(\lambda X)$$

$$(A^{-1}A)X = \lambda(A^{-1}X)$$

$$IX = \lambda(A^{-1}X) \text{ implies } X = \lambda(A^{-1}X)$$

$$\lambda^{-1}X = A^{-1}X, \text{ divide by } \lambda.$$

Thus, by definition of eigenvalues it implies that  $\lambda^{-1}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$ .

**Q-9 Find the value of  $h$  in the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 & 6 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & h & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  such that the eigenspace for  $\lambda =$**

**5 is two dimensional.**

**ANSWER:** The row reduce augmented matrix for the equation  $(A - 5I)X = 0$  is



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$$(A - 5I) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 6 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & h & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \\ R_4 \rightarrow R_4 + R_3 \end{matrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 6 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & h-6 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow R_3/4 \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 6 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & h-6 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3 \\ R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_3 \end{matrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h-6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

For a two-dimensional eigenspace, the system above needs two free variables or two non-zero rows. This can be possible, if and only if  $h = 6$ .



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#### EXCERSISE

1. Is  $\lambda = 3$  an eigenvalue of matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ? If so, find one corresponding

eigenvector. Answer:  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

2. Find the characteristic polynomial and the eigenvalue of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Also, find that corresponding eigenvectors of matrix  $A$ . Answer:  $\lambda = -2, 5$  & Eigenvector:  $\lambda = -2$  is  $X = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  & for  $\lambda = 5$  is  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

3. Find the characteristic polynomial and the eigenvalue of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Also, find that corresponding eigenvectors of matrix  $A$ . Answer:  $\lambda = 1, 2, 3$  & Eigenvectors:  $\lambda = 3$ ,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\lambda = 2$ ,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , &  $\lambda = 1$ ,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

4. Find the characteristic polynomial and the eigenvalue of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Also, verify that eigenvalues of  $A^2$  are squares of those of eigenvalues of matrix  $A$ .

Answer: Eigenvalues of  $A$  are  $3, i$  &  $-i$ .



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**Similar Matrices:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be square matrix of same order. The matrix  $A$  is similar to the matrix  $B$  if there exist an invertible matrix  $P$  such that

$$A = P^{-1}BP \text{ or } PA = BP.$$

The matrix  $P$  is called the similarity matrix. Similar matrix have the same characteristic equation and hence the same eigenvalue.

**Diagonalizable Matrices:** A square matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable, if it is similar to diagonal matrix, that is there exist an invertible matrix  $P$  such that

$$D = P^{-1}AP$$

where  $D$  is diagonal matrix. Since, similar matrix have the same eigenvalue, the diagonal elements of  $D$  are the eigenvalue of matrix  $A$ .

Thus, square matrix  $A$  of order  $n$  is diagonalizable if and only if it has  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors. If the  $n$  eigenvalues are distinct, then eigenvectors are linearly independent and square matrix  $A$  of order  $n$  is diagonalizable. If the  $n$  eigenvalues are not distinct, then we have to check the eigenvectors of square matrix  $A$  of each value of  $\lambda$ .

If matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable, then

$$A^n = PD^nP^{-1} \text{ for any positive integer } n.$$



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#### PROBLEMS

**Q1** Diagonalizable the matrix  $= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 6 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , if possible.

**ANSWER:** The characteristic polynomial is  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$ , that is

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 0 \\ 6 & -1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0, \lambda^2 - 1 = 0.$$

Solving for  $\lambda$ , eigenvalues are 1 & -1. The eigenvalues are distinct, so that matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable. The eigenvectors are:

**For  $\lambda = 1$ ,** the characteristic equation is  $(A - I)X = 0$ , . It implies that  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . It gives the one equation  $6x_1 - 2x_2 = 0$  or  $x_2 = 3x_1$ . Taking  $x_1 = k, x_2 = 3k$ .

We obtain  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k \\ 3k \end{bmatrix}$  & for  $k = 1, X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  is the eigenvector.

**For  $\lambda = -1$ ,** the characteristic equation is  $(A + I)X = 0$ , . It implies that  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

It gives the two equation  $2x_1 - 0x_2 = 0$  &  $6x_1 - 0x_2 = 0$ . It implies that

$x_1 = 0$  &  $x_2$  is free variable.

For  $x_2 = k, X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ k \end{bmatrix}$  &  $k = 1, X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Thus the matrix  $P$  which diagonalizes  $A$  is  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  &

$$D = P^{-1}AP = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 6 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus the diagonal matrix  $D$  contains eigen values 1 & -1 as diagonal elements.

**Q2** Diagonalizable the matrix  $= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ , if possible.



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**ANSWER:** The characteristic polynomial is  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$ , that is

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 3 - \lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 5 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

$$(3 - \lambda)(5 - \lambda) + 1 = 0, \lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 16 = 0 \text{ or } (\lambda - 4)^2 = 0.$$

Solving for  $\lambda$ , eigenvalues are 4 & 4. Eigenvalues are not distinct, but we check the eigenvector for the eigenvalue  $\lambda = 4$ . The eigenvectors is:

**For  $\lambda = 4$ ,**  $(A - 4I)X = 0$ , implies  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

It gives  $-x_1 - x_2 = 0$  &  $x_1 + x_2 = 0$ . It reduce to single equation  $x_1 + x_2 = 0$  or  $x_2 = -x_1$ .

Taking  $x_1 = k, x_2 = -k$ . Thus eigenvector is  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k \\ -k \end{bmatrix}$  & for  $k = 1, X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Thus matrix  $A$  is not diagonalizable since only one eigenvector  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  exists.

**Q3 Show that the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalizable. Hence, find  $D$  such that**

**$P^{-1}AP$  is a diagonal matrix.**

**ANSWER:** The characteristic polynomial is  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$ , that is  $\lambda^3 - 6\lambda^2 + 11\lambda - 6 = 0$ .

Since, the eigenvalues are 1, 2, & 3 and all are distinct. Hence matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable.

**For  $\lambda = 1$ ,** the characteristic equation is  $(A - I)X = 0$ . It corresponds to eigenvector  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**For  $\lambda = 2$ ,** the characteristic equation is  $(A - 2I)X = 0$ . It corresponds to eigenvector  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**For  $\lambda = 3$ ,** the characteristic equation is  $(A - 3I)X = 0$ . It corresponds to eigenvector  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .



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The diagonal matrix D is given by  $D = P^{-1}AP$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Q4** Show that the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & -6 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalizable. Hence, find D such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is a diagonal matrix.

**ANSWER:** The characteristic polynomial is  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$ , that is  $\lambda^3 + \lambda^2 - 21\lambda - 45 = 0$ .

Since, eigenvalues are 5, -3, -3 are not distinct, we have to check the eigenvector for  $\lambda = -3$ .

**For  $\lambda = 5$ ,** the characteristic equation is  $(A - 5I)X = 0$ . It corresponds to eigenvector  $X =$

$\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . **For  $\lambda = -3$ ,** the eigen vectors are  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  &  $X = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Since eigenvalue  $\lambda = -3$

represents two distinct eigenvectors. Hence matrix A is diagonalizable.

The diagonal matrix D is given by  $D = P^{-1}AP$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/8 & 1/4 & 5/8 \\ -1/4 & 1/2 & 3/4 \\ -1/8 & -1/4 & 3/8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & -6 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Q5** Find the matrix A, whose eigenvalues are 1, 1, 1 and corresponding eigenvectors are  $[-1, 1, 1]^T$ ,  $[1, -1, 1]^T$  and  $[1, 1, -1]^T$  respectively.

**ANSWER:** The diagonal matrix D has the elements of the eigenvalues of A at diagonal and modal matrix P is the corresponding to these eigenvectors. Thus

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ \& } P = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$





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Then  $P^{-1}$  is given by  $P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The matrix  $A$  is given by

$$A = PDP^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Q6 Find a formula for  $A^n$ , given that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ , where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .**

**ANSWER:** Here  $P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  &  $D^n = \begin{bmatrix} 5^n & 0 \\ 0 & 3^n \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\text{Thus, } A^n = P D^n P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5^n & 0 \\ 0 & 3^n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 5^n - 3^n & 5^n - 3^n \\ 2 \cdot 3^n - 2 \cdot 5^n & 2 \cdot 3^n - 5^n \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Q7 Compute  $A^8$ , where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .**

**ANSWER:** Here the characteristic polynomial is

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 4 - \lambda & -3 \\ 2 & -1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0, \lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 = 0.$$

Solving for  $\lambda$ , eigenvalues are 2 & 1. Eigenvalues are distinct, so that matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable.

**Eigenvectors :** For  $\lambda = 2$ ,  $(A - 2I)X = 0$ , implies  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Taking any one equation it gives  $2x_1 - 3x_2 = 0$  or  $x_2 = 2x_1/3$ . Taking  $x_1 = 3k, x_2 = 2k$ . Thus  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3k \\ 2k \end{bmatrix}$ , for  $k = 1, X = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .



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**Eigenvectors:** For  $\lambda = 1$ ,  $(A - I)X = 0$ , implies  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Taking any one equation it gives  $3x_1 - 3x_2 = 0$  or  $x_2 = x_1$ . Taking  $x_1 = k, x_2 = k$ . Thus  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k \\ k \end{bmatrix}$ , for  $k = 1$ ,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Here  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$A^8 = PD^8P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2^8 & 0 \\ 0 & 1^8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 256 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 766 & -765 \\ 510 & -509 \end{bmatrix}.$$



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#### EXCERSISE

1. Show that the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & i \\ 1 & 0 & i \\ -i & -i & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalizable.

ANSWER: For  $\lambda = 0$  and  $X = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\lambda = 1 + \sqrt{3}$  and  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{3} - 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\lambda = 1 - \sqrt{3}$  and

$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -(\sqrt{3} + 1) \\ -i \end{bmatrix}$ . Matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable.

2. Show that the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & i & i \\ i & 0 & i \\ i & i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalizable.

ANSWER: For  $\lambda = -i, -i$ ,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\lambda = 2i$  and  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Matrix  $A$  is diagonalizable.

3. Find the matrix  $A$ , if the eigenvectors of a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  corresponding to eigenvalues 1,1,3 are  $[1,0,-1]^T$ ,  $[0,1,-1]^T$  and  $[1,1,0]^T$  respectively.

ANSWER:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

4. Compute  $A^n$ , given that  $A = PD P^{-1}$ , where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 12 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  &  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

ANSWER:  $A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 4 - 3 \cdot 2^n & 12 \cdot 2^n - 12 \\ 1 - 2^n & 4 \cdot 2^n - 3 \end{bmatrix}$

5. Compute  $A^4$ , where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 12 \\ -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ .

ANSWER:  $A^4 = \begin{bmatrix} -159 & 480 \\ -80 & 241 \end{bmatrix}$ .



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**Inner Product(dot product) of vectors:** Let  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^T$  and  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)^T$  be two vectors in n-dimensional space. Then  
 $x \cdot y = x^T y = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$ .

Is called inner product of the vectors x and y and is a scalar quantity.

**Orthogonal and Orthonormal Vectors:** The vectors x and y for which  $x \cdot y = 0$  are said to be orthogonal vectors. The orthogonal vectors said to be orthonormal if length of vector is unit.

**Orthogonal Matrix :** A real matrix A is orthogonal matrix if  $A^{-1} = A^T$ .

**Quadratic Forms:** Let  $X = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^T$  be a vector in n-dimensional space. A real quadratic form is an homogeneous expression of the form

$$Q = X^T A X = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j$$

**Orthogonal Transformation:** If A is the orthogonal matrix, then orthogonal transforms is given by  $X = A Y$  and it geometrically represents the rotation.

**Transformation of Quadratic Form to Canonical Form:** Let Q be the quadratic form given above, then coefficient matrix A is real symmetric. If P is an orthogonal matrix and the transformation  $X = P Y$  is an orthogonal transformation. Then

$$Q = X^T A X = Y^T D Y$$

$$= [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_{n-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-1} \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q = \lambda_1 y_1^2 + \lambda_2 y_2^2 + \lambda_3 y_3^2 + \dots + \lambda_n y_n^2$$

Here, D is diagonal matrix whose elements are eigenvalues of matrix A, that is  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  of nth order square matrix.

This quadratic form is known as the canonical form or sum of the squares form or principal axes form.



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#### PROBLEMS

**Q1** Show that  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  forms a orthogonal and orthonormal set of  $R^3$ , where

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{11} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{6} \\ 2/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{66} \\ -4/\sqrt{66} \\ 7/\sqrt{66} \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Answer:** Here,  $S = \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{11} & -1/\sqrt{6} & -1/\sqrt{66} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} & 2/\sqrt{6} & -4/\sqrt{66} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} & 1/\sqrt{6} & 7/\sqrt{66} \end{bmatrix}$  is square matrix of order 3. S is orthogonal

matrix if  $S^{-1} = S^T$  OR  $SS^T = I$ .

$$SS^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{11} & -1/\sqrt{6} & -1/\sqrt{66} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} & 2/\sqrt{6} & -4/\sqrt{66} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} & 1/\sqrt{6} & 7/\sqrt{66} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{11} & 1/\sqrt{11} & 1/\sqrt{11} \\ -1/\sqrt{6} & 2/\sqrt{6} & 1/\sqrt{6} \\ -1/\sqrt{66} & -4/\sqrt{66} & 7/\sqrt{66} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  forms a orthogonal set of  $R^3$ . Also

$$v_1.v_1 = 9/11 + 1/11 + 1/11 = 1, v_2.v_2 = 1/6 + 4/6 + 1/6 = 1, v_3.v_3 = 1/66 + 16/66 + 49/66 = 1. \text{ It implies that } v_1, v_2, v_3 \text{ are unit vectors.}$$

Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is orthogonal set and each vector is unit length, so that S is an orthonormal set for  $R^3$ .

**Q2** Show that  $|A| = \pm 1$ , if A is an orthogonal matrix.

**ANSWER:** Here A is orthogonal matrix so that  $A^{-1} = A^T$ . Taking the determinant both sides we obtain

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \det(A^T)$$

$$(1/\det A) = \det(A) \therefore \det(A^{-1}) = (1/\det A) \text{ \& } \det(A^T) = \det(A)$$

$$[\det(A)]^2 = 1 \text{ OR } |A| = \pm 1.$$

**Q3** Find the symmetric matrix B for the quadratic form  $Q = 2x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 3x_1x_2$ .

**ANSWER:** The quadratic form is given by  $Q = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_i x_j$ . Comparing we obtain



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$a_{11} = 2, a_{12} + a_{21} = 3$  &  $a_{22} = 1$ . Therefore

$b_{11} = a_{11} = 2, b_{12} = b_{21} = \frac{a_{12}+a_{21}}{2} = 3/2$  &  $b_{22} = a_{22} = 1$ . Thus

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3/2 \\ 3/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Q4 Find the symmetric matrix B for the quadratic form  $Q = x_1^2 - 5x_2^2 + 4x_3^2 + 2x_1x_2 - 4x_1x_3 + 6x_2x_3$ .**

**ANSWER:** The quadratic form is given by  $Q = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_i x_j$ . Comparing we obtain

$a_{11} = 1, a_{12} + a_{21} = 2, a_{13} + a_{31} = -4, a_{23} + a_{32} = 6, a_{22} = -5$  &  $a_{33} = 4$ .

Therefore,  $b_{11} = a_{11} = 1, b_{12} = b_{21} = \frac{a_{12}+a_{21}}{2} = 1, b_{13} = b_{31} = \frac{a_{13}+a_{31}}{2} = -2$ .

$b_{23} = b_{32} = \frac{a_{23} + a_{32}}{2} = 3, b_{22} = a_{22} = -5$  &  $b_{33} = a_{33} = 4$ .

Thus,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -5 & 3 \\ -2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$

**Q5 Find the canonical form which transforms the quadratic form  $Q = x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3$ .**

**ANSWER:** The symmetric matrix of the quadratic form  $Q$  is given by  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$

The characteristic polynomial is  $|B - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3-\lambda & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0,$

$|B - \lambda I| = \lambda^3 - 7\lambda^2 + 14\lambda - 8 = 0$ . Solving the cubic equation for  $\lambda$ , the eigenvalues are 1, 2 & 4.

The canonical form is given by  $Q = X^T B X = Y^T D Y$ , where  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . Therefore,

$$Q = [y_1, y_2, y_3] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = y_1^2 + 2y_2^2 + 4y_3^2.$$



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**Q6 Find the orthogonal transform which transforms the quadratic form  $Q = x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 2x_2x_3$  to canonical form.**

**ANSWER:** The symmetric matrix of the quadratic form  $Q$  is given by  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The characteristic polynomial is  $|B - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3-\lambda & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$ ,

$|B - \lambda I| = \lambda^3 - 7\lambda^2 + 14\lambda - 8 = 0$ . Solving the cubic equation for  $\lambda$ , the eigenvalues are 1, 2 & 4.

The eigenvector corresponding to eigenvalues 1, 2 & 4 are given by  $X_1 = [1, 0, 0]^T$ ,  $X_2 = [0, 1, 1]^T$  &  $X_3 = [0, 1, -1]^T$ .

Thus the modal matrix  $P$  is  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and normalized modal matrix  $\hat{P}$  is

$\hat{P} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Thus the orthogonal transformation is given by

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \hat{P}Y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ (y_2 + y_3)/\sqrt{2} \\ (y_2 - y_3)/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus,  $x_1 = y_1$ ,  $x_2 = \frac{(y_2 + y_3)}{\sqrt{2}}$  &  $x_3 = \frac{(y_2 - y_3)}{\sqrt{2}}$  is the orthogonal transform which reduces quadratic form to canonical form.



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#### EXCERSISE

1. Prove that the eigenvectors of symmetric matrix corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal.
2. Show that the matrices  $A$  and  $A^T$  have the same eigenvalues and for distinct eigenvalues the eigenvectors corresponding to  $A$  and  $A^T$  are mutually orthogonal.
3. Find the symmetric matrix  $B$  for the quadratic form  $Q = x_1^2 - x_2^2 + x_3^2 - 2x_1x_2 + 4x_2x_3$ .

ANSWER: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. Find the canonical form which transforms the quadratic form  $= 2x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 3x_3^2 - 8x_2x_3 - 4x_3x_1 + 12x_1x_2$ .

ANSWER:  $Q = y_1^2 - y_2^2 - y_3^2$

VIDEO URL for more information about Eigenvalue & Eigenvectors:

(i) <https://youtu.be/oz0bUB44LDg>

(ii) <https://youtu.be/P2pL5VThrzQ>

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