

Ex. ③

Use Cayley-Hamilton theorem to find

$$2A^4 - 5A^3 - 7A + 6I \quad \text{where} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution:

The characteristic equation for A is

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(2-\lambda) - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 - 3\lambda + \lambda^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 2 = 0$$

Note that the Cayley-Hamilton theorem states that A satisfies its characteristic equation

$$\therefore A^2 - 3A - 2I = 0 \quad \text{--- ①}$$

Now we divide $2\lambda^4 - 5\lambda^3 - 7\lambda + 6$ by $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 2$

$$\begin{array}{r} \lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 2 \overline{) 2\lambda^4 - 5\lambda^3 - 7\lambda + 6} \\ \underline{2\lambda^4 + \lambda^3 + 7\lambda^2} \\ -\lambda^3 - 4\lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 6 \\ \underline{\lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 - 2\lambda} \\ 7\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 6 \\ \underline{7\lambda^2 - 21\lambda - 14} \\ 16\lambda + 20 \end{array}$$

—therefore,

$$2\lambda^4 - 5\lambda^3 - 7\lambda + 6 = (\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 2)(2\lambda^2 + \lambda + 7) + (16\lambda + 20)$$

$$\left(\because a \overline{) b} \Rightarrow b = aq + r \right)$$

$$\therefore 2A^4 - 5A^3 - 7A + 6I = (A^2 - 3A - 2I)(2A^2 + A + 7I) + (16A + 20I)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A^4 - 5A^3 - 7A + 6I = (0)(2A^2 + A + 7I) + (16A + 20I)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A^4 - 5A^3 - 7A + 6I = 16A + 20I$$

$$= 16 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + 20 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 16 & 32 \\ 32 & 32 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 0 \\ 0 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 36 & 32 \\ 32 & 52 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore 2A^4 - 5A^3 - 7A + 6I = \begin{bmatrix} 36 & 32 \\ 32 & 52 \end{bmatrix}$$

* Similarity of Matrices :-

Let A and B be two square matrices of order n then we say B is similar to A if there exist a non singular matrix P such that $B = P^{-1}AP$

* Properties of similar matrices :-

① If A and B are similar matrices then $|A| = |B|$

② If A and B are similar matrices then $\text{tr}(A) = \text{tr}(B)$

③ If A and B are similar matrices then $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(B)$

④ If A and B are similar matrices then Both A and B have same characteristic polynomial

⑤ If A and B are similar matrices then Both A and B have same eigenvalues.

Example:

Determine whether the following matrices are similar or not.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -8 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7 \\ 5 & 1 & 2 \\ -4 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 15 & -18 & -2 \\ 17 & -17 & -4 \\ 7 & -22 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution:

① To find the eigenvalues of matrix A and B

first we consider $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 4 - 4\lambda + \lambda^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1, 3 \quad \text{which are eigenvalues of A}$$

now we consider $|B - \lambda I| = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} -1-\lambda & -8 \\ 1 & 5-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (-1-\lambda)(5-\lambda) + 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -5 + \lambda - 5\lambda + \lambda^2 + 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1, 3 \quad \text{which are eigenvalues of } B$$

that is Both the matrices A and B
have same eigenvalues

Hence, A and B are similar

② here,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7 \\ 5 & 1 & 2 \\ -4 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 15 & -18 & -2 \\ 17 & -17 & -4 \\ 7 & -22 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that $\text{tr}(A) = 1 + 1 + 0 = 2$

$$\text{tr}(B) = 15 - 17 + 4 = 2$$

i.e. Both A and B have same Trace

Now, $|A| = 1(0 - 4) - 0(0 + 8) - 7(10 + 4)$

$$= -4 + 0 - 98$$

$$= -102$$

and $|B| = 15[-68 - 88] + 18[68 + 28] - 2[-374 + 119]$

$$= -2340 + 1728 + 510$$

$$= -2340 + 2238$$

$$= -102$$

i.e. Both A and B have same Determinant

\therefore A and B are similar.

* Diagonalizable and non-diagonalizable matrices :-

let A be the square matrix of order n
then A is diagonalizable if there exist a
non-singular matrix P such that the matrix
 $P^{-1}AP$ is diagonal matrix

Note that if A is not diagonalizable
then A is non-diagonalizable

Example: ①