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Prove that the matrix A is diagonalisable
Also find diagonal matrix and the transforming matrix.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 & -4 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & -6 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution:

* for eigenvalues of A :

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

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & -6 & -4 \\ 0 & 4-\lambda & 2 \\ 0 & -6 & -3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda) [(4-\lambda)(-3-\lambda) - 12] + 6(0-0) - 4(0-0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda) [-12 - \lambda + \lambda^2 + 12] = 0$$

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

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 0, 1, 1$$

\therefore eigenvalues of A are $0, 1, 1$

Now to find eigenvectors:

for $\lambda = 0$

consider $[A - \lambda I]X = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 & -4 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & -6 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow \frac{R_2}{2} \\ R_3 \rightarrow \frac{R_3}{3} \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

implies that $x_1 - 6x_2 - 4x_3 = 0$

$$2x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

here, x_3 is non-leading

\therefore we put $x_3 = 2t$

then $x_2 = -t$ and $x_1 = 2t$

$$\therefore X = \begin{bmatrix} 2t \\ -t \\ 2t \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore The corresponding eigenvector to $\lambda = 0$ is $V_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

for $\lambda = 1$

consider $[A - \lambda I]X = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -6 & -4 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -6 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_1 \rightarrow \frac{R_1}{-2} \\ R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + \frac{1}{2}R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

implies that $3x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$

here x_1 is free variable & x_3 is non-leading

\therefore we put $x_1 = t$ and $x_3 = -3s$

$$\therefore x_2 = 2s$$

$$\therefore X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 2s \\ -3s \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore The corresponding eigenvectors to $\lambda = 1$ are

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore The matrix P is

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

Clearly, Algebraic multiplicity for $\lambda = 0$ is 1
and geometric multiplicity for $\lambda = 0$ is also 1

By Algebraic multiplicity for $\lambda = 1$ is 2
and geometric multiplicity for $\lambda = 1$ is also 2

Hence A is diagonalizable

and it can be written as

$$A = P^{-1}DP$$

$$\text{where } D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and } P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Homework :

Ex. show that following matrices are diagonalizable.

$$\textcircled{1} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -8 & -2 \\ 4 & -3 & -2 \\ 3 & -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$