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Question:

$$\text{If } \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ b & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } a > 1, \text{ find } (a, b).$$

Ans.

$$\text{Because } \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 & 0 \\ ab & a+b & 1 \\ 0 & ab & a+b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a+b=4 & - (1) \\ ab=1 & - (2) \end{cases}$$

$$(1) \Rightarrow b=4-a \text{ 代入第 2 式}$$

$$a(4-a)=1 \Rightarrow -a^2+4a=1 \Rightarrow a^2-4a+1=0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16-4}}{2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \text{因 } a > 1, \text{ 所以}$$

$$a = 2 + \sqrt{3}, \quad b = 4 - 2 - \sqrt{3} = 2 - \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore (a, b) = (2 + \sqrt{3}, 2 - \sqrt{3})$$