

3. Consider the following matrix A:

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

For each value of  $\lambda$  given below determine if it is an eigenvalue of A.

a)  $\lambda = 0$

b)  $\lambda = -1$

c)  $\lambda = -2$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 - 4 + 4\lambda \\ 4 - 8 + 8\lambda \end{aligned}$$

$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 2-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0$$

$$-\lambda((1-\lambda)(2-\lambda)) - 1(2-\lambda) + 2[2-4(1-\lambda)] = 0$$

$$-\lambda^3 + 3\lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 2 + \lambda + 4 - 8 + 8\lambda = 0$$

$$-\lambda^3 + 3\lambda^2 + 7\lambda - 6 = 0$$

a)  $\lambda = 0$

$$-(0)^3 + 3(0)^2 + 7(0) - 6 \neq 0$$

$-6 \neq 0 \rightarrow$  Not an eigenvalue of A

$$-(-1)^3 + 3(-1)^2 + 7(-1) - 6 \neq 0$$

$$1 + 3 - 7 - 6 \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{not an eigenvalue of A}$$

c)  $-(-2)^3 + 3(-2)^2 + 7(-2) - 6 = 0$

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$$8 + 12 - 14 - 6 = 0$$

$0 = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = -2$  is an eigenvalue of A