

For the basis  $\mathbf{e}_i$ , the components of  $\mathbf{T}$  are 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Find the components of  $\mathbf{T}^2$  and  $\mathbf{T}^3$  for the same basis.
2. Find  $I_T = \text{tr } \mathbf{T}$ ,  $II_T = \text{tr } \mathbf{T}^2$ , and  $III_T = \text{tr } \mathbf{T}^3$ .
3. Find the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{T}$  and the eigenvectors. Construct a principal basis ( $\mathbf{p}_A$  say) expressed in terms of  $\mathbf{e}_i$ .
4. What are the components of  $\mathbf{T}$ ,  $\mathbf{T}^2$ , and  $\mathbf{T}^3$  with respect to the principal basis. Determine  $I_T$ ,  $II_T$ , and  $III_T$  using these components.
5. Set up the transformation matrix between  $\mathbf{p}_A$  and  $\mathbf{e}_i$ . Start with the components of  $\mathbf{T}$  in the principal basis obtained in Prob. 4 and use the transformation relation to obtain the components with respect to the basis  $\mathbf{e}_i$ .
6. (a) Obtain the values of the invariants  $\hat{I}_T$ ,  $\hat{II}_T$ , and  $\hat{III}_T$ .  
 (b) Show that the Cayley-Hamilton theorem holds using components in the  $\mathbf{e}_i$  system.  
 (c) With the use of components in either system, show that

$$\hat{III}_T \equiv \frac{1}{6} [I_T^3 - 3I_T II_T + 2 III_T] = \det(\mathbf{T})$$

7. Find the components of the tensor  $\mathbf{T}^{1/2}$  in the  $\mathbf{e}_i$  system. Obtain  $T_{ij}^{1/2} T_{jk}^{1/2}$ .
8. In the  $\mathbf{e}_i$  system find the components of  $\mathbf{T}^{-1}$  from the equation

$$\mathbf{T}^{-1} = (\mathbf{T}^2 - \hat{I}_T \mathbf{T} - \hat{II}_T \mathbf{I}) / (\hat{III}_T).$$

Transform these components to obtain the components of  $\mathbf{T}^{-1}$  in the  $\mathbf{p}_A$  system.