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### Eigen Values and Eigen Vectors

#### Introduction :-

Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  be a given  $n$ -rowed square matrix.

Let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}_{n \times 1}$  be a column vector.

Now Consider the equation

$$Ax = \lambda x \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where  $\lambda$  is a scalar.

It is obvious that the zero vector  $x=0$  is a solution of (1) for any value of  $\lambda$ .

If  $I$  denotes the unit matrix of order  $n$ , then the equation (1) may be written as

$$Ax = \lambda Ix$$

$$\Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)x = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

The matrix equation (2) represents the following system of ' $n$ ' homogeneous equations in ' $n$ ' unknowns:

$$\begin{aligned} (a_{11} - \lambda)x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n &= 0 \\ a_{21}x_1 + (a_{22} - \lambda)x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n &= 0 \\ \vdots &\vdots \\ a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \dots + (a_{nn} - \lambda)x_n &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

The coefficient matrix of the equations (3) is  $A - \lambda I$ . The necessary and sufficient condition for equations (3) to possess a non-zero solution ( $x \neq 0$ ) is that the coefficient matrix  $A - \lambda I$  should be of rank less than the number of unknowns ' $n$ '.

But this non-zero solution exists iff the matrix  $A - \lambda I$  is singular i.e. iff  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$ .

Let  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$  be any  $n$ -rowed square matrix and  $\lambda$  an indeterminate.

The matrix  $A - \lambda I$  is called the characteristic matrix of  $A$ . where  $I$  is the unit matrix of order  $n$ .

The determinant

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} - \lambda & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} - \lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

which is an ordinary polynomial in  $\lambda$  of degree ' $n$ ', is called the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ .

The equation  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$  is called the characteristic equation of  $A$ . and the roots of this equation are called the characteristic roots (or) characteristic values (or) eigen values

(or) latent roots (or) proper roots of the matrix A.

— The set of the eigen values of A is called the spectrum of A.

→ If  $\lambda$  is a characteristic root of the matrix A, then  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$ .

and the matrix  $A - \lambda I$  is singular.

$\therefore \exists$  a non-zero vector  $x$  such that

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0 \text{ (or) } Ax = \lambda x.$$

### \* Characteristic Vectors :-

If  $\lambda$  is a characteristic root of an  $n \times n$  matrix A, then the non-zero vector  $x$  such that  $Ax = \lambda x$  is called a characteristic vector (or) eigen vector of A

Corresponding to the characteristic root  $\lambda$ .

### → Certain relations b/w characteristic roots and characteristic vectors :-

Theorem :  $x$  is a characteristic root of a matrix A iff  $\exists$  a non-zero vector  $x$  such that  $Ax = \lambda x$ .

Proof :- Suppose  $\lambda$  is a characteristic root of the matrix A.

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

and the matrix  $A - \lambda I$  is singular.

$\therefore$  The matrix equation

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0 \text{ possess a non-zero solution.}$$

i.e.  $\exists$  a non-zero vector  $x$

$$\text{such that } (A - \lambda I)x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Ax = \lambda x.$$

Conversely suppose that there exists a non-zero vector  $x$

such that  $Ax = \lambda x$

$$\text{i.e. } (A - \lambda I)x = 0$$

since the matrix equation

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0 \text{ possess}$$

a non-zero solution.

$\therefore$  the coefficient matrix

$A - \lambda I$  is singular.

$$\text{i.e. } |A - \lambda I| = 0$$

$\therefore \lambda$  is a characteristic root of the matrix A.

Theorem : If  $x$  is a characteristic vector of a matrix A corresponding to the characteristic value  $\lambda$ , then  $kx$  is also a characteristic vector of A corresponding to the same characteristic value  $\lambda$ . Here  $k$  is a non-zero scalar.

proof :- Suppose  $x$  is a characteristic vector of  $A$  corresponding to the characteristic value  $\lambda$ .

then  $x \neq 0$  and  $Ax = \lambda x$  ①

If  $K$  is a non-zero scalar then  $Kx \neq 0$ .

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} A(Kx) &= K(Ax) \\ &= K(\lambda x) \\ &= \lambda(Kx) \quad (\text{from ①}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore A(Kx) = \lambda(Kx).$$

$\therefore$  a non-zero vector  $Kx$  such that  $A(Kx) = \lambda(Kx)$

$\therefore Kx$  is a characteristic vector of  $A$  corresponding to the characteristic value  $\lambda$ .

$\therefore$  Corresponding to a characteristic value  $\lambda$ , there corresponds more than one characteristic vectors.

### Theorem :-

If  $x$  is a characteristic vector of a matrix  $A$ , then  $x$  cannot correspond to more than one characteristic value of  $A$ .

Proof :- Let  $x$  be a characteristic vector of a matrix  $A$  corresponding to two characteristic values  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  then  $Ax = \lambda_1 x$ , &  $Ax = \lambda_2 x$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 x = \lambda_2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 = 0 \quad (\because x \neq 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\lambda_1 = \lambda_2}.$$

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### Statement :

The characteristic vectors corresponding to distinct characteristic roots of a matrix are linearly independent.

Proof :- Let  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_m$  be the characteristic vectors of a matrix  $A$  corresponding to distinct characteristic values  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m$ .

$$\text{then } Ax_i = \lambda_i x_i ; i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$
①

To prove that the vectors

$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m$  are linearly independent.

If the vectors  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m$  are linearly dependent.

then we can choose  $\alpha (1 \leq \alpha \leq m)$  such that  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_\alpha$  are L.I and  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_\alpha, x_{\alpha+1}$  are L.D.

$\therefore$  we can choose the scalars  $k_1, k_2, \dots, k_{\alpha+1}$  not all zeros such that

$$k_1x_1 + k_2x_2 + \dots + k_r x_r + k_{r+1}x_{r+1} = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow A(k_1x_1 + k_2x_2 + \dots + k_r x_r + k_{r+1}x_{r+1}) = A(0).$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1(Ax_1) + k_2(Ax_2) + \dots + k_r(Ax_r) +$$

$$k_{r+1}(Ax_{r+1}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1(\lambda_1 x_1) + k_2(\lambda_2 x_2) + \dots + k_r(\lambda_r x_r) +$$

$$k_{r+1}(\lambda_{r+1} x_{r+1}) = 0 \quad \rightarrow (3) \quad (\text{by using } (1))$$

$$\text{Now } (3) - \lambda_{r+1}(3) \equiv$$

$$k_1(\lambda_1 - \lambda_{r+1})x_1 + \dots + k_r(\lambda_r - \lambda_{r+1})x_r = 0 \quad (4)$$

Since  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r$  are L.I and

$\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_r, \lambda_{r+1}$  are distinct

$$\therefore k_1 = 0, k_2 = 0, \dots, k_r = 0.$$

Putting  $k_1 = 0, k_2 = 0, \dots, k_r = 0$  in (2)

$$\text{we get } k_{r+1}x_{r+1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k_{r+1} = 0 \quad (\because x_{r+1} \neq 0)$$

$\therefore$  from (2),  $k_1 = 0, k_2 = 0, \dots, k_r = 0, k_{r+1} = 0$

$\therefore$  which is contradiction to our

assumption that the scalars

$k_1, k_2, \dots, k_r, k_{r+1}$  are not all zeros.

$\therefore$  Our assumption that  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m$  are L.D is wrong.

$\therefore x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_m$  are L.I.

$\therefore x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m$  which corresponds to distinct characteristic roots of A are L.I.

→ show that the characteristic roots of any diagonal matrix are same as its elements in the diagonal.

Sol'n :- Let  $A = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2, d_3, \dots, d_n)$  then

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d_3 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & d_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Its characteristic equation

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

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{vmatrix} d_1 - \lambda & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 - \lambda & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d_3 - \lambda & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & d_n - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (d_1 - \lambda)(d_2 - \lambda) \dots (d_n - \lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n.$$

$\therefore$  the elements in the diagonal of A are its characteristic roots.

→ Prove that the characteristic roots of a triangular matrix are just the diagonal elements of the matrix.

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ - & - & \cdots & - \\ - & - & \cdots & - \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

triangular matrix.

Its characteristic equation is

$$(A - \lambda I) = 0.$$

i.e. 
$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11}-\lambda & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22}-\lambda & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ - & - & - & \cdots & - \\ - & - & - & \cdots & - \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & a_{nn}-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a_{11}-\lambda)(a_{22}-\lambda)\cdots(a_{nn}-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{nn}$$

$\therefore$  the diagonal elements of A are the characteristic roots of A.

$\rightarrow$  Prove that the square matrices A & AT have the same characteristic values.

Sol'n: If  $\lambda$  is any scalar then

$$\begin{aligned} (A - \lambda I)^T &= A^T - \lambda I^T \\ &= A^T - \lambda I \quad \text{--- (1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now } |(A - \lambda I)^T| = |A^T - \lambda I| \text{ (by (1))}$$

$$\Rightarrow |A - \lambda I| = |A^T - \lambda I| \quad (\because |A| = |A^T|)$$

$$\Rightarrow |A - \lambda I| = 0 \text{ iff } |A^T - \lambda I| = 0$$

i.e.  $\lambda$  is a characteristic value of A  $\Leftrightarrow \lambda$  is a characteristic value of AT.

$\rightarrow$  show that '0' is a characteristic root of a matrix iff the matrix is singular.

Sol'n :- 0 is a characteristic root of A.  $\Leftrightarrow \lambda = 0$  satisfies the equation  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$   $\Leftrightarrow |A - 0I| = 0$   $\Leftrightarrow |A| = 0$   $\Leftrightarrow A$  is singular.

Note:-

①  $\lambda$  is a characteristic root of a non-singular matrix.  $\Rightarrow \lambda \neq 0$ .

② At least one characteristic root of every singular matrix is zero.

$\rightarrow$  If  $\lambda$  is a characteristic root of the matrix A, show that  $k + \lambda$  is a characteristic root of the matrix A + kI

Sol'n :- Let  $\lambda$  be a characteristic root of the matrix A and  $x$  be a corresponding characteristic vector.

$$\text{Then } Ax = \lambda x \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{Now } (A + kI)x = Ax + k(Ix)$$

$$= \lambda x + kx \quad (\text{by (1)})$$

$$= (\lambda + k)x$$

Since  $x \neq 0$ ,  $\lambda + k$  is a characteristic root of the matrix A + kI and  $x$  is

a corresponding characteristic vector.

→ If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the characteristic values of  $n$ -rowed square matrix A then show that  $k\lambda_1, k\lambda_2, k\lambda_3, \dots, k\lambda_n$  are the characteristic values of  $KA$ .

Sol'n :- Let  $k \neq 0$

$$\text{Now } |KA - (\lambda k)I| = |k(A - \lambda I)| \\ = k^n |A - \lambda I|$$

$\Rightarrow |KA - (k\lambda)I| = 0 \text{ iff } |A - \lambda I| = 0$   
i.e.  $k\lambda$  is a characteristic value of  $KA$  iff  $\lambda$  is a characteristic value of A.

$\therefore k\lambda_1, k\lambda_2, \dots, k\lambda_n$  are the characteristic values of  $KA$  iff  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the characteristic values of A.

→ If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the characteristic roots of a  $n$ -rowed square matrix A and  $k$  is a scalar, show that the characteristic roots of  $A - kI$  are  $\lambda_1 - k, \lambda_2 - k, \dots, \lambda_n - k$ .

Sol'n :- Since  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the characteristic roots of the  $n$ -rowed square matrix A.

$\therefore \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the  $n$  roots of

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

which is a  $n^{\text{th}}$  degree equation in  $\lambda$ .

$\therefore (\lambda_1 - \lambda)(\lambda_2 - \lambda) \dots (\lambda_n - \lambda) = 0$  (1)  
the characteristic equation of  $A - kI$  is

$$|(A - kI) - \lambda I| = 0 \\ \text{i.e. } |A - (k + \lambda)I| = 0$$

∴ from (1),

$$[(\lambda_1 - (k + \lambda))(\lambda_2 - (k + \lambda)) \dots (\lambda_n - (k + \lambda))] = 0 \\ \Rightarrow [(\lambda_1 - k) - \lambda][(\lambda_2 - k) - \lambda] \dots [(\lambda_n - k) - \lambda] = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda = (\lambda_1 - k), (\lambda_2 - k), \dots, (\lambda_n - k)$ , which are the characteristic roots of  $(A - kI)$ .

→ If the characteristic roots of a  $n$ -rowed square matrix A are  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  then prove that the characteristic roots of  $A^2$  are  $\lambda_1^2, \lambda_2^2, \dots, \lambda_n^2$ .

Sol'n :- Let  $\lambda$  be the roots of A and  $x$  be a corresponding characteristic vector of A.

$$\text{Then } Ax = \lambda x$$

$$\Rightarrow A(Ax) = A(\lambda x) \\ \Rightarrow A^2x = \lambda(Ax) \\ \Rightarrow A^2x = \lambda(\lambda x) \quad (\because Ax = \lambda x) \\ \Rightarrow A^2x = \lambda^2x$$

$\therefore \lambda^2$  is a characteristic root

of the matrix  $A^2$  corresponding to the characteristic vector  $x$  of  $A$ .

$\therefore$  If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the characteristic roots of  $A$ , then  $\lambda_1^2, \lambda_2^2, \dots, \lambda_n^2$  are the characteristic roots of  $A^2$ .

→ If the matrix  $A$  is non-singular, then show that the eigen values of  $A^{-1}$  are the reciprocals of the eigen values of  $A$ .

Sol'n :- Since  $A$  is non-singular

$\therefore A^{-1}$  exists.

Let  $\lambda$  be an eigen value of  $A$  and  $x$  be corresponding eigen vector of  $A$ .

$$\text{then } Ax = \lambda x$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1}(Ax) = A^{-1}(\lambda x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \lambda(A^{-1}x)$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1}x = \frac{1}{\lambda}x$$

( $\because \lambda \neq 0; A$  is non-singular)

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda}$  is an eigen value of  $A^{-1}$ .

and  $x$  is a corresponding eigen vector.

Converse :-

Let  $k$  be an eigen value of  $A^{-1}$ .

$A$  is non-singular.

$\Rightarrow A^{-1}$  is non-singular and  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$ .

$\therefore \frac{1}{k}$  is an eigen value of  $A$ .

$\therefore$  each eigen value of  $A^{-1}$  is the reciprocal of the eigen value of  $A$ .

$\therefore$  The eigen values of  $A^{-1}$  are nothing but the reciprocals of the eigen values of  $A$ .

Imp → show that the two matrices  $A, C^{-1}AC$  have the same characteristic roots.

Sol'n :- Let  $B = C^{-1}AC$  then

$$B - \lambda I = C^{-1}AC - \lambda I$$

$$= C^{-1}AC - C^{-1}\lambda IC$$

$$= C^{-1}(A - \lambda I)C$$

$$\therefore |B - \lambda I| = |C^{-1}(A - \lambda I)C|$$

$$= |C^{-1}| |A - \lambda I| |C|$$

$$= |A - \lambda I| \left( \because |C^{-1}| = \frac{1}{|C|} \right)$$

$\therefore B$  and  $A$

i.e.  $C^{-1}AC$  and  $A$  have the

Same characteristic equations.

i.e.  $A$  and  $C^TAC$  have the same characteristic roots.

→ the characteristic roots of a Hermitian matrix are real.

Proof :- Suppose  $A$  is a Hermitian matrix.

$\lambda$  is a characteristic root of  $A$ .

and  $x$  is a corresponding eigen vector then  $AX = \lambda x$

①

Now pre-multiplying both sides of ① by  $x^\theta$ , we get

$$x^\theta A x = \lambda x^\theta x \quad \text{--- } ②$$

Taking the conjugate transpose of both sides of ②, we get

$$(x^\theta A x)^\theta = (\lambda x^\theta x)^\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow x^\theta A^\theta (x^\theta)^\theta = \bar{\lambda} x^\theta (x^\theta)^\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow x^\theta A^\theta x = \bar{\lambda} x^\theta x$$

$(\because (x^\theta)^\theta = x)$

$$\Rightarrow x^\theta A x = \bar{\lambda} x^\theta x \quad (\because A^\theta = A)$$

(3) because  $A$  is Hermitian

∴ from ② & ③, we have

$$\lambda x^\theta x = \bar{\lambda} x^\theta x$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda - \bar{\lambda}) x^\theta x = 0 \quad \text{--- } ④$$

But  $x \neq 0$

$$\therefore x^\theta x \neq 0$$

$$\text{④} \equiv \lambda - \bar{\lambda} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \bar{\lambda}$$

∴  $\lambda$  is real. ( $\because \bar{\lambda} = \lambda$ )

∴  $\lambda$  is real. ( $\because z = \bar{z}$  implies  $z$  is real)

→ Prove that the characteristic roots of a real symmetric matrix are all real.

Sol'n :- Let  $A$  be a real symmetric matrix.

$$\therefore A^T = A \quad \text{--- } ①$$

$$\text{Consider } A^\theta = (\bar{A})^T$$

$$= A^T \quad (\because \text{the elements of } A \text{ are all real})$$

$$= A \quad (\text{by } ①)$$

$$\therefore A^\theta = A$$

⇒  $A$  is a Hermitian matrix.

We know that the characteristic roots of a Hermitian matrix are real.

∴ the characteristic roots of  $A$  are all real.

i.e. the characteristic roots of a real symmetric matrix are all real.

→ Prove that the eigen values (characteristic roots) of a skew-Hermitian matrix are either purely imaginary (or) zero.

Sol'n :- Let  $A$  be a skew-Hermitian matrix.

$$\therefore A^\theta = -A \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{Consider } (iA)^\theta = iA^\theta$$

$$= -i(-A) [\because i^2 = -1] \\ = iA \quad \text{by (1)}$$

$\therefore iA$  is a Hermitian matrix.

Let  $\lambda$  be an characteristic root of  $A$ .

$\therefore \exists$  a non-zero column matrix  $x$  such that  $Ax = \lambda x$ .

$$\Rightarrow i(Ax) = i(\lambda x)$$

$$\Rightarrow (iA)x = (i\lambda)x$$

$\Rightarrow i\lambda$  is an eigen value of  $iA$ , which is Hermitian matrix.

We know that the roots of Hermitian matrix are real.

$\therefore i\lambda$  is a real root of  $iA$ .

$\Rightarrow \lambda$  is either purely imaginary (or) zero.

→ Prove that the eigen values of a real skew-symmetric matrix are either purely imaginary (or) zero.

Sol'n :- Let  $A$  be a skew-symmetric matrix.

$$\therefore A^\theta = -A \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{Consider } A^\theta = (-A)^\theta$$

$$= A^\theta (\because \text{the elements of } A \text{ are all real}) \\ = -A \text{ (by (1))}$$

$\Rightarrow A$  is a skew-Hermitian matrix.

We know that the characteristic roots of a skew-Hermitian matrix are either purely imaginary (or) zero.

$\therefore$  The characteristic roots of  $A$  are either purely imaginary (or) zero.  
i.e. the characteristic roots of a real skew-symmetric matrix are either purely imaginary (or) zero.

R.D. 2/2 → Prove that the eigen values (characteristic roots) of a unitary matrix are of unit modulus.

Sol'n :- Let  $A$  be an unitary matrix

$$\therefore A^\theta A = I \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Let  $\lambda$  be a characteristic root of  $A$ .

$\therefore \exists$  a non-zero column matrix.

i.e. Characteristic Vector  $x$  such that

$$Ax = \lambda x \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Taking conjugate transpose on the sides, we get

$$(Ax)^\theta = (\lambda x)^\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow x^\theta A^\theta = \bar{\lambda} x^\theta \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

from (2) & (3), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x^{\theta} A^{\theta}) A x &= (\bar{\lambda} x^{\theta}) (\lambda x) \\
 \Rightarrow x^{\theta} (A^{\theta} A) x &= (\bar{\lambda} \lambda) (x^{\theta} x) \\
 \Rightarrow x^{\theta} (\bar{I}) x &= |\lambda|^2 (x^{\theta} x) \quad (\text{by } ①) \\
 &\quad (\because \bar{\lambda} \lambda = |\lambda|^2) \\
 \Rightarrow x^{\theta} x &= |\lambda|^2 (x^{\theta} x) \\
 \Rightarrow (1 - |\lambda|^2) (x^{\theta} x) &= 0 \\
 \Rightarrow 1 - |\lambda|^2 &= 0 \quad (\because x \neq 0 \Rightarrow x^{\theta} x \neq 0) \\
 \Rightarrow |\lambda|^2 &= 1 \\
 \Rightarrow |\lambda| &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

→ Prove that the eigen values of an Orthogonal matrix are of unit modulus.

Sol'n:- we know that if the elements of a unitary matrix A are all real, then A is said to be an orthogonal matrix. and the eigen values of a unitary matrix are of unit modulus.

∴ Eigen values of an orthogonal matrix also of unit modulus.

→ A real matrix is unitary  $\Leftrightarrow$  it is orthogonal.

Sol'n:- Let A be a real matrix then

$$A^{\theta} = (\bar{A})^T$$

$$= AT$$

since A is unitary.

$$\Leftrightarrow A^{\theta} A = I \Leftrightarrow ATA = I$$

$\Leftrightarrow A$  is orthogonal.

→ Determine the characteristic roots of the matrix

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

Sol'n:- The characteristic matrix of

$$A = A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -\lambda & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

The characteristic polynomial of

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -\lambda & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = -\lambda^3 + 6\lambda - 4.$$

∴ The characteristic equation of A is  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

$$\Rightarrow -\lambda^3 + 6\lambda - 4 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2, -1 \pm \sqrt{3}$$

∴ The characteristic roots of A are  $2, -1 \pm \sqrt{3}$ .

→ Prove that  $\pm 1$  can be the only eigen values of an Orthogonal matrix

Sol'n:- we know that the eigen values of an orthogonal matrix are of unit modulus.

Also  $\pm 1$  are the only real numbers of unit modulus.

$\therefore \pm 1$  are the only real numbers which can be the characteristic roots (or) eigen values of an orthogonal matrix.

→ If A is both real symmetric and orthogonal, Prove that all its eigen values are  $\pm 1$  or  $-1$ .

Sol'n:- If A is a real symmetric matrix, then all its eigen values are real.

If A is orthogonal then all its eigen values must be of unit modulus.

Now  $\pm 1$  are the only real numbers of unit modulus.

∴ If A is both real symmetric and orthogonal then all its eigen values are  $\pm 1$  or  $-1$ .

H.W → Find the characteristic roots of the 2-rowed orthogonal matrix

$\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$  and verify that they are of unit modulus.

→ show that the roots of the equation

$$\begin{vmatrix} a+x & b & g \\ h & b+x & f \\ g & f & c+x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ are real}$$

where  $a, b, c, f, g, h$  are real numbers.

→ If  $\lambda \in C$  is an eigen value of a square matrix A, then prove that  $\bar{\lambda}$  is an eigen value of  $A^T$  and Conversely. (Or)

Prove that eigen values of  $A^T$  are the conjugates of eigen values of A.

Sol'n:- We know that  $\lambda$  is an eigen value of a square matrix A iff  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$ .

$$\text{i.e. iff } |A - \lambda I| = 0.$$

$$\text{i.e. iff } |(A - \lambda I)| = 0 (\because |P| = |\bar{P}|)$$

$$\text{i.e. iff } |(A - \lambda I)^T| = 0 (\because |P| = |P^T|)$$

$$\text{i.e. iff } |(A - \lambda I)^T| = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. iff } |A^T - \bar{\lambda} I| = 0$$

i.e. iff  $\bar{\lambda}$  is an eigen value of  $A^T$ .

### \* The Construction of Orthogonal Matrices:-

Imp, Suppose S is an n-rowed real skew-symmetric matrix and I is the unit matrix of Order n. Then show that

- (i)  $I - S$  is non-singular.
- (ii)  $A = (I + S)(I - S)^{-1}$  is orthogonal.
- (iii)  $A = (I - S)^{-1}(I + S)$
- (iv) If x is a characteristic vector of

$S$  corresponding to the characteristic root  $\lambda$ , then  $x$  is also a characteristic vector of  $A$  and  $\frac{(1+\lambda)}{1-\lambda}$  is the corresponding characteristic root.

Soln: (i) Since  $S$  is a real skew-symmetric matrix.

$\therefore$  the characteristic roots of  $S$  are either pure imaginary (or) zero.

$\therefore$  The roots of the equation

$$|S - \lambda I| = 0 \text{ are pure imaginary (or) zero.}$$

$\therefore 1$  is not a root of the equation

$$|S - \lambda I| = 0.$$

$$\therefore |S - I| \neq 0$$

$\therefore (S - I)$  is non-singular.

$\Rightarrow I - S$  is non-singular.

(ii) Let  $A = (I + S)(I - S)^{-1}$

$$\text{then } A^T = [(I + S)(I - S)^{-1}]^T$$

$$= [(I - S)^{-1}]^T \cdot (I + S)^T$$

$$= [(I - S)^T]^{-1} (I + S)^T$$

$$\text{since } (I - S)^T = I^T - S^T \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$= I + S$$

$(\because S \text{ is skew-symmetric } S^T = -S)$

$$\text{and } (I + S)^T = I - S$$

$$\therefore (1) \equiv$$

$$A^T = (I + S)^T \cdot (I - S)$$

$$\text{Now } A^T A = [(I + S)^T (I - S)] [I + S] \\ (I - S)$$

$$= (I + S)^{-1} (I + S) (I - S) (I - S)^{-1}$$

$$(\because (I - S)(I + S) = (I + S)(I - S))$$

$$= I \cdot I$$

$$= I.$$

$\therefore A$  is orthogonal.

(iii) Since  $(I + S)(I - S) = (I - S)(I + S)$

Pre-multiplying throughout by  $(I - S)^{-1}$  and post-multiplying throughout by  $(I - S)^{-1}$ , we get,

$$(I - S)^{-1} (I + S)(I - S)(I - S)^{-1} = (I - S)^{-1} (I - S) \\ (I + S)(I - S)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (I - S)^{-1} (I + S) I = I (I + S) (I - S)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (I - S)^{-1} (I + S) = (I + S) (I - S)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (I - S)^{-1} (I + S) = A \text{ (by (i))}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = (I - S)^{-1} (I + S)$$

(iv) Suppose  $\lambda$  is a characteristic root of  $S$  and  $x$  is the corresponding characteristic vector, then

$$Sx = \lambda x$$

$$\Rightarrow x + Sx = x + \lambda x$$

$$\Rightarrow (I + S)x = (1 + \lambda)x \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{Similarly } (I - S)x = (1 - \lambda)x \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Pre multiplying ③ throughout by  $(I-s)^{-1}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} (I-s)^{-1}(I-s)x &= (1-\lambda)(I-s)^{-1}x \\ \Rightarrow x &= (1-\lambda)(I-s)^{-1}x \\ \Rightarrow (1-\lambda)^{-1}x &= (I-s)^{-1}x \quad (\because 1-\lambda \neq 0) \\ \Rightarrow (I-s)^{-1}x &= (1-\lambda)^{-1}x \quad \text{i.e. } \lambda \neq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Now Pre-multiplying ① throughout by  $(I-s)^{-1}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} (I-s)^{-1}(I+s)x &= (1+\lambda)(I-s)^{-1}x \\ \Rightarrow [(I-s)^{-1}(I+s)]x &= [(1+\lambda)(1-\lambda)^{-1}]x \\ \therefore x &\text{ is a characteristic vector} \\ \text{of } A = (I-s)^{-1}(I+s) \\ \text{and } (1+\lambda)(1-\lambda)^{-1} \text{ is the} \\ \text{corresponding characteristic root.} \end{aligned}$$

Ques. If  $S$  is a real skew-symmetric matrix then show that  $(I+S)$  is non-singular and  $(I-S)(I+S)^{-1}$  is orthogonal.

→ If  $A$  is an orthogonal matrix with the property that  $-1$  is not a characteristic root, then  $A$  is expressible as  $(I+S)(I-S)^{-1}$  for some suitable real skew-symmetric matrix  $S$ .

Sol'n :- Given that  $A = (I+S)(I-S)^{-1}$  —①

Post-multiplying both sides of ① by  $(I-S)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} A(I-S) &= (I+S) \\ \Rightarrow A - AS &= I + S \\ \Rightarrow A - I &= AS + S \\ \Rightarrow A - I &= (A + I)S \quad \text{--- ②} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $-1$  is not a characteristic root of  $A$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore |A - (-1)I| &\neq 0. \\ \text{i.e. } |A + I| &\neq 0 \\ \text{i.e. } A + I &\text{ is non-singular.} \end{aligned}$$

∴ Pre-multiplying both sides of ② by  $(A+I)^{-1}$ , we get

$$(A+I)^{-1}(A-I) = S \quad \text{--- ③}$$

Since  $A$  is a real matrix

∴  $S$  is also real matrix.

∴ we can easily show that  $S$  is a skew-symmetric matrix.

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} S^T &= [(A+I)^{-1}(A-I)]^T \\ &= (A-I)^T[(A+I)^{-1}]^T \\ &= (A^T - I^T)[(A^T + I^T)^{-1}] \\ &= (A^T - I)[A^T + I]^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(A^T + I)(A^T - I) = (A^T - I)(A^T + I)$

Pre-multiplying throughout by  $(A^T + I)^{-1}$  and Post multiplying throughout

by  $(A^T + I)^{-1}$ , we get

$$(A^T + I)^{-1} (A^T + I) (A^T - I) (A^T + I)^{-1} = (A^T - I)^{-1}$$

$$(A^T - I) (A^T + I) (A^T + I)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (A^T - I) (A^T + I)^{-1} = (A^T + I)^{-1} (A^T - I)$$

from ④, we get

$$S^T = (A^T - I) (A^T + I)^{-1}$$

$$= (A^T + A^T A)^{-1} (A^T - A^T A)$$

( $\because A$  is orthogonal  
 $\Rightarrow A^T A = I$ ).

$$\Rightarrow S^T = [A^T (I+A)]^{-1} [A^T (I-A)]$$

$$= (I+A)^{-1} (A^T)^{-1} A^T (I-A)$$

$$= (I+A)^{-1} I (I-A) \quad (\because (A^T)^{-1} A^T = I)$$

$$= (I+A)^{-1} (I-A)$$

$$= -(A+I)^{-1} (A-I)$$

$$= -S$$

$\therefore S$  is a skew-symmetric matrix.

H.W. If  $A$  is an orthogonal matrix with the property that  $-1$  is not a characteristic root, then  $A$  is expressible as  $(I-S)(I+S)^{-1}$  for some suitable skew-symmetric matrix.

2005 If  $S$  is a skew-Hermitian matrix, show that the matrices  $(I-S)$  and  $(I+S)$  are both non-singular.

Also show that  $A = (I+S)(I-S)^{-1}$  is a unitary matrix.

Soln :- Given that  $S$  is a skew-Hermitian matrix.

$$\therefore S^H = -S \quad \text{--- ①}$$

We know that the eigen values of a skew-Hermitian matrix  $S$  are either purely imaginary (or) zero.

$\therefore$  Neither  $1$  nor  $-1$  is a root of the equation  $|S - \lambda I| = 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow |S - I| \neq 0 \text{ and } |S + I| \neq 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow |I - S| \neq 0 \text{ and } |I + S| \neq 0$$

$$(\because |-A| \neq 0 \Rightarrow |A| \neq 0).$$

$\therefore I - S$  and  $I + S$  are both non-singular matrices.

Now given that  $A = (I+S)(I-S)^{-1}$

$$\text{Consider } A^\theta = [(I+S)(I-S)^{-1}]^\theta$$

$$= [(I-S)^{-1}]^\theta (I+S)^\theta$$

$$= [(I-S)^\theta]^{-1} (I^\theta + S^\theta)$$

$$= (I^\theta - S^\theta)^{-1} (I-S)$$

(by ①)

$$= (I+S)^{-1} (I-S) (\text{by ①})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore A^{\theta}A &= (I+s)^{-1}(I-s)(I+s)(I-s)^{-1} \\ &= (I+s)^{-1}(I+s)(I-s)(I-s)^{-1} \\ [\because (I-s)(I+s) &= (I+s)(I-s)] \\ &= I \\ &= I \\ \therefore A^{\theta}A &= I \\ \therefore A \text{ is a unitary matrix.} \end{aligned}$$

∴ Neither  $i$  nor  $-i$  is a root of the equation  $|H - \lambda I| = 0$ .  
 $\Rightarrow |H - iI| \neq 0$  and  $|H + iI| \neq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow (H - iI)$  is non-singular and  $(H + iI)$  is non-singular.  
 $\Rightarrow (iH + I) \& (iH - I)$  are also non-singular.  
 $\Rightarrow (I+iH) \& (I-iH)$  also non-singular ( $\because |A| \neq 0 \Rightarrow |A|^{-1} \neq 0$ )

i, Given that  $A = (I+iH)^{-1}(I-iH)$   
 Consider  $A^{\theta} = [(I+iH)^{-1}(I-iH)]^{\theta}$   
 $= (I-iH)^{\theta}((I+iH)^{-1})^{\theta}$   
 $= [I^{\theta} - (iH)^{\theta}] [(I+iH)^{-\theta}]$   
 $= (I - iH^{\theta})(I^{\theta} + iH^{-\theta})$   
 $= (I - (-i)H)(I + (-i)H)$   
 $\quad [\because i = -i \text{ & by } ①]$   
 $= (I+iH)(I-iH)^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} A^{\theta}A &= (I+iH)(I-iH)^{-1}(I+iH)^{-1}(I-iH) \\ &= (I+iH)(I+iH)^{-1}(I-iH)^{-1}(I-iH) \\ &\quad (\because (I+iH)^{-1}(I-iH)^{-1} = \\ &\quad (I-iH)^{-1}(I+iH)^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

$$= I \cdot I$$

$$= I$$

$$\therefore A^{\theta}A = I$$

∴ A is a unitary matrix.

ii, To show  $A = (I-iH)(I+iH)^{-1}$   
 Since  $(I-iH)(I+iH) = (I+iH)(I-iH)$

We know that the characteristic roots of H are real.

∴ The roots of the equation  $|H - \lambda I| = 0$  are real.

Pre-multiplying throughout by  $(I+iH)^{-1}$  and post-multiplying throughout by  $(I+iH)^{-1}$ , we get

$$(I+iH)^{-1}(I-iH)(I+iH)(I+iH)^{-1} = (I+iH)^{-1}(I+iH)(I-iH)(I+iH)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (I+iH)^{-1}(I-iH) = (I-iH)(I+iH)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \underline{(I-iH)(I+iH)^{-1}}.$$

iii, suppose  $\lambda$  is an eigen value of  $H$  and  $x$  is the corresponding eigen vector of  $H$ . then

$$Hx = \lambda x$$

$$\Rightarrow iHx = i\lambda x$$

$$\Rightarrow x + iHx = x + i\lambda x$$

$$\Rightarrow (I+iH)x = (1+i\lambda)x \quad @$$

similarly  $(I-iH)x = (1-i\lambda)x \quad ⑤$

Pre-multiplying @ throughout by  $(I+iH)^{-1}$  we get

$$(I+iH)^{-1}(I+iH)x = (1+i\lambda)(I+iH)^{-1}x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = (1+i\lambda)(I+iH)^{-1}x$$

$$\Rightarrow (1+i\lambda)^{-1}x = (I+iH)^{-1}x$$

$$\Rightarrow (I+iH)^{-1}x = (1+i\lambda)^{-1}x \quad ⑥$$

Now pre-multiplying ⑥ throughout by  $(I+iH)^{-1}$  we get

$$(I+iH)^{-1}(I-iH)x = (1-i\lambda)(I+iH)^{-1}x$$

$$\Rightarrow [(I+iH)^{-1}(I-iH)]x = (1-i\lambda)(I+iH)^{-1}x \quad (\text{by } ⑤)$$

$$\Rightarrow [(I+iH)^{-1}(I-iH)]x = [(1-i\lambda)(I+iH)^{-1}]x$$

$\therefore x$  is a characteristic vector of  $A = (I+iH)^{-1}(I-iH)$  and  $(1-i\lambda)(I+iH)^{-1}$  is the corresponding characteristic root of  $A$ .

2003 If  $H$  is any Hermitian matrix, then  $A = (H+iI)^{-1}(H-iI) = (H-iI)(H+iI)^{-1}$  is unitary and every unitary matrix can be thus expressed provided,  $-i$ , is not a characteristic root of  $A$ .

→ Find the eigen roots and corresponding eigen vectors of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Sol: - The characteristic matrix

$$\text{of } A = A - \lambda I$$

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

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 4 \\ 3 & 2-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

The characteristic polynomial of

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (1-\lambda)(2-\lambda) - 12 \\
 &= 2 - 3\lambda + \lambda^2 - 12 \\
 &= \lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 10 \\
 &= (\lambda+2)(\lambda-5)
 \end{aligned}$$

The characteristic equation of A is  $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow (\lambda+2)(\lambda-5) = 0 \\
 &\Rightarrow \lambda = 5, -2
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  the required eigen roots of A are  $-2, 5$ .

To find the eigen vectors associated with  $-2$ :

Let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$  be the eigen vector of A corresponding to the eigen value  $-2$  then

$$(A - (-2)I)x = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1} \textcircled{1}$$

$\therefore$  clearly the coefficient is in echelon form.

$\therefore$  the rank of the coefficient matrix = 1.

$\therefore$  there is  $2-1=1$  L.I eigen

vector of A corresponding to eigen root  $-2$ .

Now from ①,

$$3x_1 + 4x_2 = 0$$

Let  $x_2 = k$  where k is a non-zero parameter.

$$\therefore x_1 = -4/3k$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore x &= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4/3k \\ k \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= k \begin{bmatrix} -4/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= kx_1
 \end{aligned}$$

Here  $x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -4/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is L.I eigen vector

of A corresponding to eigen value  $-2$ . and the set of all eigen vectors of A corresponding to the eigen value  $-2$  is given by  $kx_1$ .

where k is non-zero parameter.

To find the eigen vectors associated with  $5$ :

Let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$  be an eigen

vector of A corresponding to the eigen value 5 then

$$(A - 5I)x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1-5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2-5 \end{bmatrix} x = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 4 \\ 4 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 \rightarrow 4R_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

Clearly the coefficient matrix is in echelon form.

∴ The rank of the coefficient matrix = 1.

∴ There is  $2-1=1$  L.I eigen vector of A corresponding to eigenvalue 5.

Now from  $\textcircled{2}$ ,

$$-4x_1 + 4x_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -x_1 + x_2 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x_2 = k$$

where k is non-zero parameter.

$$\text{then } x_1 = k$$

$$\therefore x = \begin{bmatrix} k \\ k \end{bmatrix} = k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is L.I eigen vector of A corresponding to eigen value 5.

and the set of all eigen vectors of A corresponding to the eigen value 5 is given by  $kx_2$ . where k is non-zero parameter.

→ find all the eigen values and the eigen vectors of the matrix

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

Sol'n :- The characteristic matrix

$$\text{of } A = A - \lambda I$$

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

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3-\lambda & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 3-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

The characteristic polynomial =  $|A - \lambda I|$

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

$$= (3-\lambda) [(4-\lambda)(3-\lambda) - 2] - 1 [6 - 2\lambda - 2] + 1 [2 - 4 + \lambda]$$

$$= (3-\lambda) [12 - 7\lambda + \lambda^2 - 2] - 4 + 2\lambda + \lambda - 2$$

$$= (3-\lambda) [\lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 10] + 3\lambda - 6$$

$$= 3\lambda^2 - 21\lambda + 30 - \lambda^3 + 7\lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 3\lambda - 6$$

$$= -\lambda^3 + 10\lambda^2 - 28\lambda + 24$$

The characteristic equation of A is

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

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^3 - 10\lambda^2 + 28\lambda - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda - 2)^2 (\lambda - 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2, 2, 6.$$

To find the eigen vectors associated with 2:

Let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$  be an eigen vector

of A corresponding to the eigen value 2 then  $(A - 2I)x = 0$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Clearly the coefficient matrix is in echelon form.

$\therefore$  the rank of coefficient matrix = 1.

There are  $3-1=2$  L.I eigen vectors corresponding to  $\lambda=2$ .

$$\text{from (1), } x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x_2 = k_1, x_3 = k_2$$

where  $k_1, k_2$  are parameters and not both zero simultaneously.

$$\text{then } x_1 = -(k_1 + k_2)$$

$$\therefore x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -k_1 - k_2 \\ k_1 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= k_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + k_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Here } x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ are L.I.}$$

Eigen vectors of A corresponding to eigen value  $\lambda=2$

and the set of all eigen vectors of A corresponding to the eigen value 2 is given by  $k_1 x_1 + k_2 x_2$

where  $k_1, k_2$  are parameters and both zero simultaneously.

Similarly we can easily find the eigen vectors corresponding to the eigen value  $\lambda=6$ .

H.W. Determine the characteristic roots and the corresponding characteristic vectors of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -6 & 2 \\ -6 & 7 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

### \* Matrix Polynomial :-

An expression of the form

$G(x) = A_0 + A_1 x + A_2 x^2 + \dots + A_m x^m$ ,  
where  $A_0, A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m$  are  
matrices each of order  $n \times n$  over  
a field  $F$ , is called a matrix  
polynomial of degree  $m$ , provided  
 $A_m \neq 0$ .

- The symbol  $x$  is called indeterminate
- the matrices themselves are  
matrix polynomials of zero degree
- Two matrix polynomials are  
equal iff the coefficients of like  
powers of  $x$  are equal.

### \* Addition and Multiplication of Polynomials :-

Let  $G(x) = A_0 + A_1 x + A_2 x^2 + \dots + A_k x^k + \dots + A_m x^m$  and

$H(x) = B_0 + B_1 x + B_2 x^2 + \dots + B_m x^m + \dots + B_k x^k$ .

→ we define : — if  $m > k$  then

$$G(x) + H(x) =$$

$$(A_0 + B_0) + (A_1 + B_1)x + \dots + (A_k + B_k)x^k + A_{k+1}x^{k+1} + A_{k+2}x^{k+2} + \dots + A_m x^m.$$

— if  $m < k$  then

$$\begin{aligned} G(x) + H(x) &= (A_0 + B_0) + (A_1 + B_1)x + (A_2 + B_2)x^2 + \\ &\quad \dots + (A_m + B_m)x^m + B_{m+1}x^{m+1} + \dots + B_k x^k. \\ \text{— if } m = k \text{ then } G(x) + H(x) &= \\ &= (A_0 + B_0) + (A_1 + B_1)x^1 + (A_2 + B_2)x^2 + \\ &\quad \dots + (A_k + B_k)x^k. \\ \rightarrow G(x) \cdot H(x) &= A_0 B_0 + (A_0 B_1 + A_1 B_0)x \\ &\quad + (A_0 B_2 + A_1 B_1 + A_2 B_0) + \dots + A_k B_m x^m \end{aligned}$$

Note :— (1). The degree of the product of two matrix polynomials is less than or equal to the sum of their degrees.

Imp (2) Every square matrix over a field  $F$  whose elements are ordinary polynomials in  $x$  over  $F$ , can essentially be expressed as a matrix polynomial in  $x$  of degree  $m$ , where  $m$  is the index of the highest power of  $x$  occurring in any element of the matrix.

Ex :— Let

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

then

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1+2x+3x^2+2x^3 & 0+x^2+0x^3 & 6-4x+0x^2+0x^3 \\ 1+0x+0x^2+2x^3 & 3+0x-4x^2+0x^3 & 1-2x+0x^2+4x^3 \\ 2-3x+0x^2+2x^3 & 5+0x+0x^2+0x^3 & 0+x+6x^2+0x^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ -3 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} x^2 + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x^3$$

which is a matrix polynomial of degree 8.

### \* The Cayley-Hamilton Theorem

Statement: Every square matrix satisfies its characteristic equation.

Proof :- Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}, \quad I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

then the characteristic matrix of A is

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} - \lambda & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

the characteristic polynomial of

A is  $|A - \lambda I|$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} - \lambda & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} - \lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (-1)^n [ \lambda^n + a_1 \lambda^{n-1} + a_2 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + a_n ] \quad (\text{say})$$

where  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$

the characteristic equation of A is

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

$$\text{i.e. } \lambda^n + a_1 \lambda^{n-1} + a_2 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + a_{n-1} \lambda + a_n = 0$$

Now we prove that

$$A^n + a_1 A^{n-1} + a_2 A^{n-2} + \dots + a_{n-1} A + a_n I = 0$$

Since all the elements of  $A - \lambda I$  are at most of first degree in  $\lambda$ , all the elements of  $\text{adj}(A - \lambda I)$  are polynomials in  $\lambda$  of degree  $(n-1)$  or less.

( $\because$  elements of  $\text{adj}(A - \lambda I)$  are cofactors of the elements of  $(A - \lambda I)$ ).

$\therefore \text{adj}(A - \lambda I)$  can be written as a matrix polynomial in  $\lambda$  of degree  $(n-1)$ .

$$\text{Let } \text{adj}(A - \lambda I) = B_0 \lambda^{n-1} + B_1 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + B_{n-2} \lambda^1 + B_{n-1} \cdot$$

where  $B_0, B_1, B_2, \dots, B_{n-1}$  are square matrices of order n. ————— (2)

Now we have

$$(A - \lambda I) \text{adj}(A - \lambda I) = |A - \lambda I| I$$

$$(\because \text{adj} A = |A| I)$$

$$\Rightarrow (A - \lambda I) (B_0 \lambda^{n-1} + B_1 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + B_{n-2} \lambda + B_{n-1})$$

$$= (-1)^n [ \lambda^n + a_1 \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + a_n ] I \\ (\text{by } ① \& ②)$$

Comparing coefficients of like powers of  $\lambda$ , we obtain.

$$-B_0 = (-1)^n I$$

$$AB_0 - B_1 = (-1)^n a_1 I$$

$$AB_1 - B_2 = (-1)^n a_2 I$$

$$\vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots$$

$$-AB_{n-1} = (-1)^n a_n I.$$

Pre-multiplying the above equations.

Successively by  $A^n, A^{n-1}, \dots, I$  and adding, we obtain

$$0 = (-1)^n [ A^n + a_1 A^{n-1} + a_2 A^{n-2} + \dots + a_n I ]$$

$$\Rightarrow A^n + a_1 A^{n-1} + a_2 A^{n-2} + \dots + a_n I = 0 \quad ③$$

$\therefore A$  satisfies the characteristic equation.

Note:- If  $A$  is a non-singular matrix then  $|A| \neq 0$ .

$$\text{Also } |A| = (-1)^n a_n$$

$$\therefore a_n \neq 0.$$

Now Pre-multiplying ③ by  $A^{-1}$ , we get

$$A^{-1} [ A^n + a_1 A^{n-1} + a_2 A^{n-2} + \dots + a_{n-1} A + a_n I ] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{n-1} + a_1 A^{n-2} + a_2 A^{n-3} + \dots + a_{n-1} I + a_n A^{-1} I = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n A^{-1} = - [ A^{n-1} + a_1 A^{n-2} + \dots + a_{n-1} I ] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\boxed{A^{-1} = \frac{(-1)}{a_n} [ A^{n-1} + a_1 A^{n-2} + \dots + a_{n-1} I ]}}$$

Problems :-

Q006 → state - Cayley - Hamilton theorem and using it, find the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Sol'n :- Statement : Every square matrix satisfies its characteristic equation.

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The characteristic matrix of  $A$  is

$$(A - \lambda I) = \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 3 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is  $|A - \lambda I|$

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

$$= 4 - 5\lambda + \lambda^2 - 6$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 5\lambda - 2$$

The characteristic equation of  $A$  is

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

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

The given matrix  $A$  satisfies the characteristic equation.

$$\therefore \lambda^2 - 5\lambda - 2 = 0 \quad ①$$

Now multiplying ① by  $A^{-1}$ , we get

$$A - 5I - 2A^{-1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A^{-1} = A - 5I$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} [ A - 5I ]. \quad ②$$

$$A - 5I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$\therefore \textcircled{5} =$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the characteristic equation of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and verify that}$$

it is satisfied by  $A$  and hence

obtain  $A^{-1}$ .

Soln :- Given that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

The characteristic matrix of  $A$  is

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 2-\lambda & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2-\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2-\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

The characteristic polynomial of

$$A \text{ is } |A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2-\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -\lambda^3 + 6\lambda^2 - 9\lambda + 4$$

$\therefore$  the characteristic equation of

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

$$\text{i.e. } -\lambda^3 + 6\lambda^2 - 9\lambda + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^3 - 6\lambda^2 + 9\lambda - 4 = 0$$

By the Cayley-Hamilton theorem

$$A^3 - 6A^2 + 9A - 4I = 0$$

Now we verify that

$$A^3 - 6A^2 + 9A - 4I = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -5 & 5 \\ -5 & 6 & -5 \\ 5 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, A^3 = A^2 \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 22 & -21 & 21 \\ -21 & 22 & -21 \\ 21 & -21 & 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore \textcircled{1} =$

$$A^3 - 6A^2 + 9A - 4I = \begin{bmatrix} 22 & -21 & 21 \\ -21 & 22 & -21 \\ 21 & -21 & 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-6 \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -5 & 5 \\ -5 & 6 & -5 \\ 5 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} + 9 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 0$$

Now multiplying (1) by  $A^{-1}$ , we get

$$A^2 - 6A + 9I - 4A^{-1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} [A^2 - 6A + 9I] \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{Now } A^2 - 6A + 9I =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & -5 & 5 \\ -5 & 6 & -5 \\ 5 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} - 6 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + 9 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

∴ from ②,

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

→ show that the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & c & -b \\ -c & 0 & a \\ b & -a & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

satisfies Cayley-Hamilton theorem. (i.e. verification of C-H theorem.)

Ques

find the characteristic roots of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and verify

Cayley - Hamilton theorem for this matrix. Find the inverse of the matrix A and also express

$$A^5 - 4A^4 - 7A^3 + 11A^2 - A - 10I$$

2004 → find the characteristic polynomial of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Hence

find  $A^{-1}$  and  $A^6$ .

2002 → use Cayley - Hamilton theorem, to find the inverse of the following matrix.

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

→ If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  then show

that for every integer  $n \geq 3$ ,

$$A^n = A^{n-2} + A^2 - I, \text{ hence determine } A^{50}.$$

Sol'n :- If  $n=3$  then

$$A^3 = A + A^2 - I \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Since  $A^2 = A \cdot A$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now  $A^3 = A^2 \cdot A$

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

Now  $A - A^2 - I$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

∴  $A^n = A^{n-2} + A^2 - I$  is true for

$n=3$

Suppose  $A^n = A^{n-2} + A^2 - I$  is true for  $n=k$

$$\therefore A^k = A^{k-2} + A^2 - I.$$

Now for  $n = k+1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} A^{k+1} &= A \cdot A^k \\ &= A \cdot [A^{k-2} + A^2 - I] \\ &= A^{k-1} + A^3 - A \\ &= A^{k-1} + A + A^2 - I - A \\ &\quad (\text{from } ①) \\ &= A^{k-1} + A^2 - I \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore A^n = A^{n-2} + A^2 - I$  is true for  
 $n = k+1$ .

$\therefore$  By mathematical induction, it is  
 true for every integer  $n \geq 3$ .

$$A^n = A^{n-2} + A^2 - I \quad \text{--- } ②$$

$$\text{Now } A^3 = A + A^2 - I$$

$$A^4 = 2A^2 - I$$

$$A^6 = A^4 + A^2 - I$$

$$A^6 = 3A^2 - 2I$$

$$A^8 = A^6 + A^2 - I$$

$$A^8 = 4A^2 - 3I$$

$$A^{10} = A^8 + A^2 - I$$

$$A^{10} = 5A^2 - 4I$$

$$\text{Similarly } A^{12} = 6A^2 - 5I$$

$$\vdots \quad (\text{i.e. } A^{12} = \frac{12}{2} A^2 - (\frac{12}{2} - 1)I)$$

$\vdots$

$$A^{50} = 25A^2 - 24I$$

$$\left( \text{i.e. } A^{50} = \frac{50}{2} A^2 - (\frac{50}{2} - 1)I \right)$$

$$\therefore A^{50} = 25 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 24 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 25 & 1 & 0 \\ 25 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$


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