

## Homework 7

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1. Find the determinant of the matrices using Gaussian elimination.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & \stackrel{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3}{=} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ & \stackrel{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2}{=} (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ & \stackrel{R_2 - 2R_1}{=} (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ & \stackrel{R_2 + 5R_1}{=} (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ & \stackrel{R_3 - R_2}{=} (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & -7 \end{vmatrix} \\ & = (-1)(1 \cdot 1 \cdot -7) \\ & = 7 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & \stackrel{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2}{=} (-1) \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ & \stackrel{R_3 + 2R_2}{=} (-1) \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \\ & = (-1)(-1 \cdot 1 \cdot 6) \\ & = 6 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & \stackrel{R_2 - R_1}{=} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
& \stackrel{R_3 - R_1}{=} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 & -3 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
& \stackrel{R_4 - 2R_1}{=} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\
& \stackrel{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3}{=} (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\
& \stackrel{\frac{2}{3}R_2}{=} \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -\frac{2}{3} & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\
& \stackrel{R_4 - R_2}{=} \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -\frac{2}{3} & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
& \stackrel{\frac{1}{3}R_3}{=} \left(-\frac{9}{2}\right) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -\frac{2}{3} & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
& \stackrel{R_4 + R_3}{=} \left(-\frac{9}{2}\right) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -\frac{2}{3} & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} \end{vmatrix} \\
& = \left(-\frac{9}{2}\right) \left(1 \cdot 2 \cdot -\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3}\right) \\
& = 4
\end{aligned}$$

(d)

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

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \quad (-1) \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right|$$
$$R_2 - 2R_1 \quad (-1) \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right|$$
$$\begin{array}{l} R_3 - R_1 \\ R_4 - R_1 \\ R_5 - R_1 \end{array} \quad (-1) \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right|$$
$$R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3 \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right|$$
$$R_3 - 3R_2 \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right|$$
$$\begin{array}{l} R_4 - R_2 \\ R_5 - R_2 \end{array} \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right|$$
$$R_3 \leftrightarrow R_4 \quad (-1) \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right|$$
$$R_4 - 4R_3 \quad (-1) \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right|$$
$$R_5 - R_3 \quad (-1) \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right|$$
$$R_4 \leftrightarrow R_5 \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & -1 \end{array} \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \stackrel{R_5 - 5R_4}{=} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -6 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= 1 \cdot -1 \cdot -1 \cdot -1 \cdot -6 \\
 &= 6
 \end{aligned}$$

**2. Given  $5 \times 5$  matrices  $A, B, Q$ . Suppose that  $\det A = 3, \det B = 2$  and  $Q$  is an invertible matrix. Find the determinant of  $A^T B, A^3, 2A, ABA$  and  $Q^{-1}AQ$ .**

$$\det A^T B$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \det A^T B &= \det A^T \det B \\
 &= \det A \det B \\
 &= 3 \cdot 2 \\
 &= 6
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\det A^3$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \det A^3 &= \det AAA \\
 &= \det A \det A \det A \\
 &= 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \\
 &= 27
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\det 2A$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \det 2A &= \det 2 \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & a_{55} \end{pmatrix}, \quad a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R} \\
 &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 2a_{11} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & 2a_{55} \end{pmatrix}, \quad a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R} \\
 &= 2^5 \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & a_{55} \end{pmatrix}, \quad a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R} \\
 &= 2^5 \det A \\
 &= 32 \cdot 3 \\
 &= 96
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\det ABA$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \det ABA &= \det A \det B \det A \\
 &= 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \\
 &= 18
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\det Q^{-1}AQ$$

$$\begin{aligned}\det Q^{-1}AQ &= \det Q^{-1} \det A \det Q \\ &= \frac{1}{\det Q} \det A \det Q \\ &= \det A \\ &= 3\end{aligned}$$

**3. Consider the following system of linear equations:**

$$\begin{cases} px + y + z = 6, \\ 3x - y + 11z = 6, \\ 2x + y + 4z = q, \end{cases}$$

**(a) Find the condition on  $p$  so that the system has unique solution (Hint:  $\det(A) \neq 0$ ).**

$$\begin{aligned}\begin{cases} px + y + z \\ 3x - y + 11z \\ 2x + y + 4z \end{cases} &\iff \begin{pmatrix} p & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 11 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \det \begin{pmatrix} p & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 11 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} &= p \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 11 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 11 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= p(-4 - 11) - (12 - 22) + (3 - (-2)) \\ &= -15p + 15 \\ \therefore \det \begin{pmatrix} p & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 11 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \neq 0 &\iff p \neq 1\end{aligned}$$

As such, the system has unique solution for all  $p \neq 1$ .

**(b) Find the condition on  $p$  and  $q$  so that the system has infinitely many solutions (Hint:  $\det(A) = 0$  and no inconsistent equations). Describe the solution set.**

$$\begin{cases} px + y + z = 6 \\ 3x - y + 11z = 6 \\ 2x + y + 4z = q \end{cases} \iff \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} p & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -1 & 11 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & q \end{array} \right)$$

From (a), we know that  $\det \begin{pmatrix} p & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 11 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \iff p = 1$ . So, we can just Gaussian with  $p = 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -1 & 11 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & q \end{array} \right) & \xrightarrow[R_3-2R_1]{R_2-3R_1} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & -4 & 8 & -12 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & q-12 \end{array} \right) \\
& \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{4}R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & q-12 \end{array} \right) \\
& \xrightarrow{R_3+R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & q-9 \end{array} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Here, we see that the last row is  $0 = q - 9$ . As such, the system will have a consistent solution if and only if  $q = 9$ .

To get the solution set, we continue to Gaussian to obtain the reduced-row echelon form.

$$\begin{aligned}
\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & q-9 \end{array} \right) & \xrightarrow{R_1-R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & q-9 \end{array} \right) \\
& \therefore y = 2z + 3 \\
& x = -3z + 3
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the system

$$\begin{cases} px + y + z = 6 \\ 3x - y + 11z = 6 \\ 2x + y + 4z = q \end{cases}$$

contains infinitely many solutions if and only if  $p = 1$  and  $q = 9$ , for which its solution set is

$$\left\{ (x, y, z) : \begin{pmatrix} -3z + 3 \\ 2z + 3 \\ z \end{pmatrix} : z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

**4. Show that if  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  skew-symmetric matrix (i.e.  $A^T = -A$ ) and  $n$  is an odd number, then  $\det A = 0$ .**

Given that  $\det A^T = \det A$ . Then if  $A^T = -A$  ( $A$  is skew-symmetric), we have that:

$$\det A^T = \det A = \det(-A)$$

If  $n$  is odd, then  $n = k + 1$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . As such:

$$\begin{aligned}
\det(-A) &= \det -1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}, & a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R} \\
&= \det \begin{pmatrix} (-1)a_{11} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & (-1)a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}, & a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R} \\
&= (-1)^n \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}, & a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R} \\
&= (-1)^{k+1} \det A & \boxed{n = k + 1} \\
&= -\det A & \boxed{(-1)^{k+1} = -1 \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}}
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\det A^T = \det A = \det(-A) = -\det A$ . Then,  $\det A = -\det A \iff \det A = 0$ .

**5. Let**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**(i) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of both  $A$  and  $B$ .**

**Eigenvalues and eigenvectors for  $A$**

$$\begin{aligned}
\det(A - \lambda I) &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 3 \\ 4 & 2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \\
&= (1 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda) - 12 = 0 \\
&= \lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 10 = 0 \\
&= (\lambda + 2)(\lambda - 5) = 0 \\
&\therefore \lambda = -2, 5
\end{aligned}$$

The eigenvalues of  $A$  are  $-2$  and  $5$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda = -2 &\implies A + 2I \\
A + 2I &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \implies \text{rref}(A + 2I) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
&\therefore x_1 = -x_2 \\
&\quad x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \\
\therefore \ker(A + 2I) &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -x_2 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} : x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ x \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

An eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda = -2$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda = 5 &\implies A - 5I \\
A - 5I &= \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 3 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \implies \text{rref}(A - 5I) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{3}{4} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
&\therefore x_1 = \frac{3}{4}x_2 \\
&\quad x_2 \in \mathbb{R}
\end{aligned}$$



$$\therefore \ker(A - 5I) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{4}x_2 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} : x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ x \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{4} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

An eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda = 5$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{4} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Eigenvalues and eigenvectors for  $B$**

$$\begin{aligned} \det(B - \lambda I) &= \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & -2 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 - \lambda & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 5 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \\ &= -\lambda \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & -1 \\ 2 & 5 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} - (-2) \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 5 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} + (-3) \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 - \lambda \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \\ &= -\lambda(\lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 7) - (-2)(\lambda - 3) + (-3)(2\lambda - 4) = 0 \\ &= -\lambda^3 + 6\lambda^2 - 11\lambda + 6 = 0 \\ &= -(\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 1) = 0 \\ &\therefore \lambda = 1, 2, 3 \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvalues of  $B$  are 1, 2, and 3.

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda = 1 &\implies B - I \\ B - I &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & -3 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \implies \text{rref}(B - I) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\therefore x_2 = -x_3 \\ &x_1 = -x_3 \\ &x_3 \in \mathbb{R} \\ \therefore \ker(B - I) &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -x_3 \\ -x_3 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} : x_3 \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ x \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

An eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda = 1$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda = 2 &\implies B - 2I \\ B - 2I &= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -2 & -3 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \implies \text{rref}(B - 2I) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\therefore x_3 = 0 \\ &x_1 = -x_2 \\ &x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \\ \therefore \ker(B - 2I) &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -x_2 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} : x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ x \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

An eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda = 2$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\lambda = 3 \implies B - 3I$$

$$B - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -2 & -3 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \implies \text{rref}(B - 3I) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore x_2 = 0$$

$$x_1 = -x_3$$

$$x_3 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\therefore \ker(B - 3I) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -x_3 \\ 0 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} : x_3 \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ x \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

An eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda = 3$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**(ii) Diagonalize  $A$  and  $B$ .**

**Diagonalizing  $A$**

For eigenvalues  $\lambda_{A1} = -2$  and  $\lambda_{A2} = 5$ , the diagonalization of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is

$$P^{-1}AP = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $P$  is a matrix composed of the corresponding eigenvectors of  $A$  such that

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \frac{3}{4} \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Diagonalizing  $B$**

For eigenvalues  $\lambda_{B1} = 1$ ,  $\lambda_{B2} = 2$ , and  $\lambda_{B3} = 3$ , the diagonalization of  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  is

$$Q^{-1}BQ = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $Q$  is a matrix composed of the corresponding eigenvectors of  $B$  such that

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**(iii) Find  $A^{10}$  and  $B^3$ .**

**Finding  $A^{10}$**

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \frac{3}{4} \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \implies P^{-1} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P^{-1}A^{10}P = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}^{10}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore A^{10} &= P \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}^{10} P^{-1} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \frac{3}{4} \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}^{10} \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} 4\,185\,853 & 4\,184\,829 \\ 5\,579\,772 & 5\,580\,796 \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

**Finding  $B^3$**

$$\begin{aligned}
Q &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \implies Q^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\
Q^{-1}B^3Q &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^3 \\
\therefore B^3 &= Q \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^3 Q^{-1} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} -18 & -26 & -45 \\ -7 & 1 & -7 \\ 26 & 26 & 53 \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$