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Unit – I

MATRICES

Part – B

1. Find the characteristic equation of the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

(A) $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 = 0$

(B) $\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 2 = 0$

(C) $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 2 = 0$

(D) $\lambda^2 + 3\lambda - 2 = 0$

Solution: Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Its characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2 = 0$ where $S_1 =$
sum of the main diagonal elements $= 1 + 2 = 3$,

$S_2 = \text{Determinant of } A = |A| = 1(2) - 2(0) = 2$

Therefore, the characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 = 0$ **(Option A)**

2. Find the characteristic equation of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & -6 & 2 \\ -6 & 7 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$.

(A) $\lambda^3 - 18\lambda^2 + 45\lambda = 0$

(B) $\lambda^3 - 28\lambda^2 + 45\lambda = 0$

(C) $\lambda^3 - 18\lambda^2 + 35\lambda = 0$

(D) $\lambda^3 - 18\lambda^2 - 45\lambda = 0$

Solution: Its characteristic equation is $\lambda^3 - S_1\lambda^2 + S_2\lambda - S_3 = 0$, where $S_1 =$
sum of the main diagonal elements $= 8 + 7 + 3 = 18$, $S_2 =$

Sum of the minors of the main diagonal elements $= \begin{vmatrix} 7 & -4 \\ -6 & 3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 8 & -6 \\ -6 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 5 +$

$20 + 20 = 45$, $S_3 = \text{Determinant of } A = |A| = 8(5) + 6(-10) + 2(10) = 40 - 60 + 20 = 0$

Therefore, the characteristic equation is $\lambda^3 - 18\lambda^2 + 45\lambda = 0$ **(Option A)**

3. Find the eigen values of the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

(A) 2, -2

(B) 1, -1

(C) 3, -3

(D) 2, 2

Solution: Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ which is a non-symmetric matrix.

The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2 = 0$ where $S_1 =$
sum of the main diagonal elements $= 1 - 1 = 0$,

$S_2 = \text{Determinant of } A = |A| = 1(-1) - 1(3) = -4$

Therefore, the characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - 4 = 0$ i.e., $\lambda^2 = 4$ or $\lambda = \pm 2$

Therefore, the eigen values are 2, -2. **(Option A)**

4. Find the sum and product of the eigen values of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

(A) -3, 4

(B) -3, -4

(C) 3, 4

(D) -3, -4

Solution: Sum of the eigen values = Sum of the main diagonal elements = -3

Product of the eigen values = $|A| = -1(1-1) - 1(-1-1) + 1(1-(-1)) = 2 + 2 = 4$

(Option A)

5. Find the sum and product of eigen values of the matrix A^T where $A = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & -6 & 2 \\ -6 & 7 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$.

(A) 18, 0

(B) 18, 2

(C) 28, 0

(D) 18, -2

Solution: Since matrix A is symmetric, A and A^T have same eigen values.

Sum of Eigen value of $A^T = \text{trace}(A) = 8+7+3=18$

Product of Eigen value of $A^T = |A| = 8(5) + 6(-10) + 2(10) = 40 - 60 + 20 = 0$ **(Option A)**

6. If 1, 1, 5 are the eigen values of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, find the eigen values of $5A$.

(A) 5, 5, 2

(B) 5, 5, 25

(C) 2, 3, 2

(D) 7, 8, 7

Solution: By the property “If $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$ are the eigen values of A , then $k\lambda_1, k\lambda_2, k\lambda_3$ are the eigen values of kA , the eigen values of $5A$ are $5(1), 5(1), 5(5)$ ie., 5, 5, 25. (Option B)

7. Find the eigen values of the matrix $2A^{-1}$ where $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 8 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$.

(A) $\frac{2}{3}, 2, -1$ (B) $\frac{1}{3}, 2, -4$ (C) $\frac{2}{3}, 2, 1$ (D) $\frac{2}{3}, 1, -2$

Solution: Since given matrix is triangular matrix, the Eigen values are its diagonal elements.

$$\therefore \lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 1, \lambda_3 = -2$$

Eigen values of $2A^{-1}$ are $\frac{2}{3}, 2, -1$ (Option A)

8. If the sum of two eigen values and trace of a 3×3 matrix A are equal, find the value of $|A|$.

(A) 5

(B) 25

(C) 2

(D) 0

Solution: Sum of the eigen values $= \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 =$ sum of the diagonal elements

Given $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 =$ trace of A .

i.e., $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3$

Therefore $\lambda_3 = 0$. Then $|A| =$ Product of Eigen values $= \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3 = 0$ (Option D)

9. Write the matrix corresponding to the quadratic form $x^2 + 2yz$.

(A) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ (B) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ (C) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ (D) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution: Given $X^T A X = x^2 + 2yz$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (Option C)}$$

10. If 2, 3, -1 are the eigen values of 3×3 matrix, find rank, index and signature of the quadratic form.

- (A) 5, 5, 2 (B) 5, 5, 25 (C) 3, 2, 1 (D) 1, 2, 3

Solution: Rank (r) = number of non zero terms in canonical form = 3

Index (p) = Number of positive terms in canonical form = 2

Signature (s) = Difference between number of positive terms and negative terms

$$= 2p - r$$

$$= 4 - 3$$

$$= 1 \text{ (Option C)}$$

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