

Section 4.4 – Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

In many problems in science and mathematics, linear equations $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ come from steady state problems. Eigenvalues have their greatest importance in dynamic problems. The solution of $A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$ or $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x}$ (is changing with time) has nonzero solutions. (*All matrices are square*)

Definition

Suppose A is an $n \times n$ matrix and

$$\lambda \vec{x} = A \vec{x}$$

The values of λ are called eigenvalues of the matrix A and the nonzero vectors \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^n are called the eigenvectors corresponding to that eigenvalue (λ).

λ is the eigenvalue associated with or corresponding to the eigenvector \vec{x} .

✚ One of the meanings of the word “*eigen*” in German is “*proper*”; eigenvalues are also called *proper values*, *characteristic values*, or *latent roots*.

Example

The vector $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 8 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ corresponding to the eigenvalue $\lambda = 3$ since

$$\begin{aligned} A\vec{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 8 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \underline{3\vec{x}} \end{aligned}$$

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors have a useful geometric interpretation in \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 .

The equation for the *eigenvalues*

Let's rewrite the equation $\lambda \vec{x} = A\vec{x}$.

$$A\vec{x} - \lambda \vec{x} = 0$$

λ : are the eigenvalues and not a vector

$$A\vec{x} - \lambda I\vec{x} = 0$$

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

The matrix $A - \lambda I$ times the eigenvectors \vec{x} is the zero vector.

The eigenvectors make up the nullspace of $A - \lambda I$.

Definition

The number λ is an eigenvalue of A if and only if $A - \lambda I$ is singular:

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

This equation $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ is called *characteristic equation* of A ; the scalars satisfying this equation are the eigenvalues of A . when expanding the determinant $\det(A - \lambda I)$ is a polynomial in λ of degree n , called the *characteristic polynomial* of A .

Example

Find the eigenvalues of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) &= \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 3-\lambda & 2 \\ -1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (3-\lambda)(-\lambda) + 2 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 \end{aligned}$$

The characteristic equation of A is:

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

The eigenvalues of A are $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 2$

Theorem

If \mathbf{A} is an $n \times n$ triangular matrix (upper triangular, lower triangular, or diagonal), then the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are the entries on the main diagonal of \mathbf{A} .

Example

Find the eigenvalues of the lower triangular matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ 5 & -8 & -\frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution

The eigenvalues are: $\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}$, $\lambda_2 = \frac{3}{2}$, and $\lambda_3 = -\frac{1}{4}$

Theorem

If \mathbf{A} is an $n \times n$ matrix, the following are equivalent.

- a)* λ is an eigenvalue of \mathbf{A} .
- b)* The system of equations $(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has nontrivial solutions.
- c)* There is a nonzero vector \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^n such that $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$.
- d)* λ is a real solution of the characteristic equation $\det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) = 0$

Eigenvectors

To find the eigenvector \vec{x} , for each eigenvalue λ solve $(A - \lambda I)\vec{x} = 0$ *or* $A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$

From the eigenvalues, the eigenvectors, in the form $V_i = \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \end{pmatrix}$, of the system can be determined by

letting:

$$(A - \lambda_1 I)V_1 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (A - \lambda_2 I)V_2 = 0$$

Example

Find the eigenvalues and the eigenvectors of the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (1-\lambda)(4-\lambda) - 4 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 4 - 4 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 5\lambda \\ &= \lambda(\lambda - 5) = \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvalues of A are: $\lambda_1 = 0$ $\lambda_2 = 5$

For $\lambda_1 = 0$, we have:

$$(A - \lambda_1 I)V_1 = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-0 & 2 \\ 2 & 4-0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x + 2y = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\underline{x = -2y}$$

If $y = -1 \Rightarrow x = 2$

Therefore, the eigenvector $V_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\text{Or } \begin{pmatrix} -2y \\ y \end{pmatrix} = y \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow V_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

For $\lambda_2 = 5 \Rightarrow (A - \lambda_2 I)V_2 = 0$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-5 & 2 \\ 2 & 4-5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow 2x - y = 0$$

$$\underline{2x = y}$$

Therefore, the eigenvector $V_2 = \underline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}}$

Power of a Matrix

Theorem

If k is a positive integer, λ is an eigenvalue of a matrix A , and \vec{x} is a corresponding eigenvector, then λ^k is an eigenvalue of A^k and \vec{x} is a corresponding eigenvector.

Example

Find the eigenvalues of A^7 for $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) &= \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \lambda^3 - 5\lambda^2 + 8\lambda - 4 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvalues of A : $\underline{\lambda_1 = 1 \text{ and } \lambda_2 = 2}$

The eigenvalues of A^7 are:

$$\underline{\lambda_1 = 1^7 = 1} \text{ and } \underline{\lambda_2 = 2^7 = 128}$$

Theorem

A square matrix A is invertible iff $\lambda = 0$ is not an eigenvalue of A .

Summary

To solve the eigenvalue problem for an n by n matrix:

1. Compute the determinant of $A - \lambda I$. With λ subtracted along the diagonal, this determinant starts with λ^n or $-\lambda^n$. It is a polynomial in λ of degree n .
2. Find the roots of this polynomial, by solving $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$. The n roots are the n eigenvalues of A . They make $A - \lambda I$ singular.
3. For each eigenvalue λ , solve $(A - \lambda I)\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ to find an eigenvector \mathbf{x} .

Imaginary Eigenvalues

Example

Find the eigenvalues and the eigenvectors of the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\det(A - \lambda I) &= \begin{vmatrix} -2 - \lambda & -1 \\ 5 & 2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (-2 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda) + 5 \\ &= \lambda^2 + 1 = 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 = -1$$

The eigenvalues are: $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm i$

For $\lambda_1 = i$: $(A - \lambda_1 I)V_1 = 0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 - i & -1 \\ 5 & 2 - i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow (-2 - i)x_1 - y_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{(2 + i)x_1 = -y_1}$$

Therefore, the eigenvector $V_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 + i \end{pmatrix}$

$\lambda_1 = -i$: $(A - \lambda_2 I)V_2 = 0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 + i & -1 \\ 5 & 2 + i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow (-2 + i)x_2 - y_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{(-2 + i)x_2 = y_2}$$

Therefore, the eigenvector $V_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 - i \end{pmatrix}$

Example

Find the eigenvalues and the eigenvectors of the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} \\ = \lambda^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 = -1$$

The eigenvalues are: $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm i$

The matrix A is a 90° rotation which has no real eigenvalues or eigenvectors.

No vector $A\vec{x}$ stays in the same direction as \vec{x} (except the zero vector which is useless).

If we add the eigenvalues together the result is zero which is the trace of A .

$$\lambda_1 = i: (A - \lambda_1 I)V_1 = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -i & 1 \\ -1 & -i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} -ix + y = 0 \\ -x - iy = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{x = -iy}$$

Therefore, the eigenvector $\underline{V_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}}$

$$\lambda_2 = -i: (A - \lambda_2 I)V_2 = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} i & 1 \\ -1 & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} ix + y = 0 \\ -x + iy = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{y = -ix}$$

Therefore, the eigenvector $\underline{V_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}}$

Exercises Section 4.4 – Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

1. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A , A^2 , A^{-1} , and $A + 4I$:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Check the trace $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2$ and the determinant $\lambda_1 \lambda_2$ for A and also A^2 .

2. Show directly that the given vectors are eigenvectors of the given matrix. What are the corresponding eigenvalues

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. For which real numbers c does this matrix A have

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -c \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- a) Two real eigenvalues and eigenvectors.
- b) A repeated eigenvalue with only one eigenvector
- c) Two complex eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

4. Find the eigenvalues of A , B , AB , and BA :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad BA = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- a) The eigenvalues of AB (are equal to) (are not equal to) eigenvalues of A times eigenvalues of B .
- b) The eigenvalues of AB (are equal to) (are not equal to) eigenvalues of BA .

5. When $a + b = c + d$ show that $(1, 1)$ is an eigenvector and find both eigenvalues of

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

6. The eigenvalues of A equal to the eigenvalues of A^T . This is because $\det(A - \lambda I)$ equals $\det(A^T - \lambda I)$. That is true because _____. Show by an example that the eigenvectors of A and A^T are not the same.

7. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A .

8. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

- What is the characteristic polynomial for A (i.e. compute $\det(A - \lambda I)$)?
- Verify that 1 is an eigenvalue of A . What is a corresponding eigenvector?
- What are the other eigenvalues of A ?

(9 – 58) For the following matrices:

- Find the characteristic equation.
- Find the eigenvalues.
- Find the eigenvectors.

9. $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 8 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

19. $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

28. $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

10. $\begin{pmatrix} 10 & -9 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

20. $\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ -\frac{5}{2} & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

29. $\begin{pmatrix} 6 & -6 \\ 4 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$

11. $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

21. $\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{5}{2} & 2 \\ \frac{3}{4} & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

30. $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

12. $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -7 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

22. $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 9 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$

31. $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

13. $\begin{pmatrix} 12 & 14 \\ -7 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$

23. $\begin{pmatrix} -6 & 5 \\ -5 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

32. $\begin{pmatrix} 6 & -10 \\ 2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$

14. $\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

24. $\begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

33. $\begin{pmatrix} 11 & -15 \\ 6 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$

15. $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ -6 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$

25. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

34. $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

16. $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$

26. $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

35. $\begin{pmatrix} 9 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

17. $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

27. $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ -2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

36. $\begin{pmatrix} 13 & 4 \\ 4 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$

18. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

37. $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$38. \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$39. \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$40. \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -5 & -6 \\ -2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$41. \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$42. \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -7 & 0 \\ 5 & 10 & 4 \\ 0 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$43. \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$44. \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$45. \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ -8 & -5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$46. \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$47. \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$48. \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{5}{2} & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -\frac{5}{2} & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -\frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$49. \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$50. \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & -5 \\ \frac{1}{5} & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$51. \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 1 \\ -6 & -2 & 0 \\ 19 & 5 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$52. \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 0 \\ -4 & 13 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$53. \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 \\ -8 & -4 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$54. \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -4 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -6 & -12 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$55. \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ -2 & -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$56. \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 4 & 4 \\ -4 & 2 & 4 \\ -10 & 8 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$57. \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$58. \begin{pmatrix} 10 & -9 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$59. \text{ Find the eigenvalues of } A^9 \text{ for } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 7 & 11 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 3 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$60. \text{ Given: } A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 7 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 15 & -2 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Compute } A^{11}$$

61. Find the eigenvalues of the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & 0.4 \\ 0.3 & 0.6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.61 & 0.52 \\ 0.39 & 0.48 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^\infty = \begin{pmatrix} 0.57143 & 0.57143 \\ 0.42857 & 0.42857 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and } B = \begin{pmatrix} 0.3 & 0.6 \\ 0.7 & 0.4 \end{pmatrix}$$

62. Given the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 \\ -3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$
- Find the characteristic polynomial.
 - Find the eigenvalues
 - Find the bases for its eigenspaces
 - Graph the eigenspaces
 - Verify directly that $A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$, for all associated eigenvectors and eigenvalues.
63. Given the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
- Find the characteristic polynomial.
 - Find the eigenvalues
 - Find the bases for its eigenspaces
 - Graph the eigenspaces
 - Verify directly that $A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$, for all associated eigenvectors and eigenvalues.
64. Explain why a 2×2 matrix can have at most two distinct eigenvalues. Explain why an $n \times n$ matrix can have at most n distinct eigenvalues.
65. Construct an example of a 2×2 matrix with only one distinct eigenvalue.
66. Let λ be an eigenvalue of an invertible matrix A . Show that λ^{-1} is an eigenvalue of A^{-1} .
67. Show that if A^2 is the zero matrix, then the only eigenvalue of A is 0.
68. Show that λ is an eigenvalue of A if and only if λ is an eigenvalue of A^T .
69. For $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$, find one eigenvalue, without calculation. Justify your answer.
70. For $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, find one eigenvalue, and two linearly independent eigenvectors, without calculation. Justify your answer.
71. Consider an $n \times n$ matrix A with the property that the row sums all equal the same number s . Show that s is an eigenvalue of A .
72. Consider an $n \times n$ matrix A with the property that the column sums all equal the same number s . Show that s is an eigenvalue of A .

- 73.** Let A be the matrix of the linear transformation T on \mathbb{R}^2
 T : reflects points across some line through the origin.
Without writing A , find an eigenvalue of A and describe the eigenspace.
- 74.** Let A be the matrix of the linear transformation T on \mathbb{R}^2
 T : reflects points about some line through the origin.
Without writing A , find an eigenvalue of A and describe the eigenspace.
- 75.** Show that if \vec{v} is an eigenvector of the matrix product AB and $B\vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$, then $B\vec{v}$ is an eigenvector of BA .
- 76.** Explain and demonstrate that the eigenspace of a matrix A corresponding to some eigenvalue λ is a subspace.
- 77.** If λ is an eigenvalue of the matrix A , prove that λ^2 is an eigenvalue of A^2 .