Step-1

This series $(I + A + A^2 + ...)$ represent $(I - A)^{-1}$.

Check the following:

$$(I-A)(I+A+A^2+...)=I$$

Solve the left hand side.

$$(I-A)(I+A+A^2+...) = I(I+A+A^2+...) - A(I+A+A^2+...)$$
$$= (I+A+A^2+...) - (A+A^2+A^3+...)$$
$$= I$$

Therefore, left hand side comes out to be equal to right hand side.

Step-2

Consider the following matrix which has $\lambda_{\text{max}} = 0$.

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

Step-3

Find the powers of matrix *A* as follows:

$$A \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$A^{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$A^{2} \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$A^{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step-4

Here, A^3 results into zero matrix. so other higher powers of matrix A will also be zero.

Step-5

Substitute the values into the following series:

$$(I - A)^{-1} = (I + A + A^{2})$$

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

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

Step-6

Therefore, above result shows the following:

$$(I - A)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$