In Exercises 1-3, for the given transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ , do the following:

- (a) Find the image of  $\vec{v} = (3, -1, 2)$  under T.
- (b) Is T a linear transformation? If so, find the matrix associated with T.
- (c) Find all vectors  $\vec{v}$  whose image under T is  $\vec{v'} = (1, 3, 2)$ .
- (d) Find the inverse transformation,  $T^{-1}$ , or give a reason why  $T^{-1}$  does not exist.
- (e) Is  $T^{-1}$  a linear transformation? If so, find the matrix associated with  $T^{-1}$ .
- **1.**  $T(v_1, v_2, v_3) = (v'_1, v'_2, v'_3)$ , where

$$v_1' = v_3$$

$$v_2' = v_1 + v_2$$

$$v_3' = v_1 v_2$$

Solution: (a) T(3, -1, 2) = (2, 2, -3).

- (b) No, T is not linear. For example, if we set  $\vec{v} = (3, -1, 2)$ , then  $T(2\vec{v}) \neq 2T(\vec{v})$ .
- (c) If  $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$  and  $T(\vec{v}) = (1, 3, 2)$ , then

$$v_3 = 1$$

$$v_1 + v_2 = 3$$

$$v_1 v_2 = 2$$

Solving for  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  leads to two solutions:  $\vec{v} = (1, 2, 1)$  and  $\vec{v} = (2, 1, 1)$ .

- (d) The inverse transformation does not exist since the inverse image of  $\vec{v'} = (1, 3, 2)$  is not uniquely defined: it could be either  $\vec{v} = (1, 2, 1)$  or  $\vec{v} = (2, 1, 1)$ .
- (e) Not applicable, since  $T^{-1}$  does not exist.
- **2.**  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $T(v_1, v_2, v_3) = (v_1', v_2', v_3')$ , where

$$v'_1 = v_1 + 2v_2 - v_3$$
  
 $v'_2 = v_2 + v_3$   
 $v'_3 = 2 - v_3$ 

Solution: (a) T(3,-1,2) = (-1,1,0).

- (b) Since T(0,0,0)=(0,0,2), it follows that  $T(\vec{0})\neq\vec{0}$ , so T is not linear.
- (c) If  $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$  and  $T(\vec{v}) = (1, 3, 2)$ , then

$$v_1 + 2v_2 - v_3 = 1$$
  
 $v_2 + v_3 = 3$   
 $2 - v_3 = 2$ .

Solving for  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  (say, by backward substitution) leads to a unique solution:  $\vec{v} = (-5, 3, 0)$ .

(d) For any vector  $\vec{v'}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $T^{-1}(\vec{v'})$  is defined if and only if there is a *unique* vector  $\vec{v}$  such that  $T(\vec{v}) = \vec{v'}$ . Thus we need to determine whether there is exactly one solution of the system:

$$v_1 + 2v_2 - v_3 = v'_1$$
  
 $v_2 + v_3 = v'_2$   
 $2 - v_3 = v'_3$ ,

where we treat  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ ,  $v_3$  as the unknowns and  $v_1'$ ,  $v_2'$ ,  $v_3'$  are fixed constants. Solving the system (say, by backward substitution) leads to a unique solution:

$$v_1 = v'_1 - 2v'_2 - 3v'_3 + 6$$

$$v_2 = v'_2 + v'_3 - 2$$

$$v_3 = 2 - v'_3$$

These equations define the inverse transformation  $T^{-1}$ , where  $T^{-1}(v_1', v_2', v_3') = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$ .

- (e) Since  $T^{-1}(0,0,0) = (6,-2,2)$ , it follows that  $T^{-1}(\vec{0}) \neq \vec{0}$ , so  $T^{-1}$  is not linear.
- **3.**  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $T(v_1, v_2, v_3) = (v'_1, v'_2, v'_3)$ , where

$$v'_1 = v_1 - 5v_3$$

$$v'_2 = v_2 + 3v_3$$

$$v'_3 = 2v_1 + 3v_2$$

Solution: (a) T(3,-1,2) = (-7,5,3).

(b) The transformation is linear since the given equations can be written in the matrix form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1' \\ v_2' \\ v_3' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} .$$

The  $3 \times 3$  matrix occurring here is the matrix associated with the transformation T.

(c) If  $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$  and  $T(\vec{v}) = (1, 3, 2)$ , then

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} .$$

Solving for  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  (say, by Gauss-Jordan elimination) leads to a unique solution:  $\vec{v} = (-44, 30, -9)$ .

(d) For any vector  $\vec{v'}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $T^{-1}(\vec{v'})$  is defined if and only if there is a *unique* vector  $\vec{v}$  such that  $T(\vec{v}) = \vec{v'}$ . Thus we need to determine whether there is exactly one solution of the system:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1' \\ v_2' \\ v_3' \end{pmatrix}.$$

where we treat  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ ,  $v_3$  as the unknowns and  $v_1'$ ,  $v_2'$ ,  $v_3'$  are fixed constants. This

is indeed the case since the determinant of the coefficient matrix is not zero:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = 1$$

In fact, we can solve the system by finding the inverse of the coefficient matrix A:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \operatorname{adj}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & C_{13} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} & C_{23} \\ C_{31} & C_{32} & C_{33} \end{pmatrix}^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} & -M_{21} & M_{31} \\ -M_{12} & M_{22} & -M_{32} \\ M_{13} & -M_{23} & M_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 & -15 & 5 \\ 6 & 10 & -3 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore the unique solution is  $\vec{v} = A^{-1}\vec{v'}$ , or:

$$v_1 = -9v'_1 - 15v'_2 + 5v'_3$$

$$v_2 = 6v'_1 + 10v'_2 - 3v'_3$$

$$v_3 = -2v_1 - 3v_2 + v'_3$$

These equations define the inverse transformation  $T^{-1}$ , where  $T^{-1}(v_1', v_2', v_3') = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$ .

(e) The inverse transformation is linear since it can be given in the matrix form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 & -15 & 5 \\ 6 & 10 & -3 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1' \\ v_2' \\ v_3' \end{pmatrix}.$$

The  $3 \times 3$  matrix occurring here is the matrix associated with  $T^{-1}$ . This matrix is the inverse of the matrix associated with T.

**4.** Find all eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors for the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -5 & 7 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 & -4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & 1 & 17 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solution: Each eigenvalue  $\lambda$  must be a root of the equation:

$$\det\begin{pmatrix} 7-\lambda & -5 & 7 & -1 & 4\\ 0 & 2-\lambda & 5 & -4 & 7\\ 0 & 0 & 7-\lambda & 1 & 17\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 7-\lambda & 10\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

Since the matrix is upper-triangular, its determinant is the product of the entries on the main diagonal. This leads to the equation:

$$(7-\lambda)^3(2-\lambda)^2 = 0$$

Therefore  $\lambda = 7$  and  $\lambda = 2$  are the only eigenvalues of the matrix A. Case 1:  $\lambda = 7$ 

A vector  $\vec{v}$  is an eigenvector associated with  $\lambda = 7$  if  $(A - 7I_5)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$ . This leads to a linear system:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -5 & 7 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & -5 & 5 & -4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 17 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \\ v_5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solving the system (say, by backward substitution), we get  $v_5 = 0$ ,  $v_4 = 0$ ,  $v_3 = 0$ ,  $v_2 = 0$ , and  $v_1$  is a free variable. Thus the eigenvectors corresponding to  $\lambda = 7$  are of the form:

$$\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = v_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Case 2: $\lambda = 2$

A vector  $\vec{v}$  is an eigenvector associated with  $\lambda = 2$  if  $(A - 2I_5)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$ . This leads to a linear system:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & -5 & 7 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & -4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 17 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \\ v_5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solving the system (say, by backward substitution), we get  $v_4 = -2v_5$ ,  $v_3 = -3v_5$ , and  $v_1 = v_2 + 3v_5$ , where  $v_2$  and  $v_5$  are free variables. Thus the eigenvectors corresponding to  $\lambda = 2$  are of the form:

$$\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_2 + 3v_5 \\ v_2 \\ -3v_5 \\ -2v_5 \\ v_5 \end{pmatrix} = v_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + v_5 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**5.** Let A and E be square matrices of the same size. Suppose E is invertible and let  $B = E^{-1}AE$ . Show that if  $(\lambda, \vec{v})$  is an eigenpair of the matrix A, then  $(\lambda, E^{-1}\vec{v})$  is an eigenpair of the matrix B.

Solution: The assumption that  $(\lambda, \vec{v})$  is an eigenpair of the matrix A means that

$$A\vec{v} = \lambda \vec{v}$$
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Hence

$$\begin{split} B(E^{-1}\vec{v}) &= (E^{-1}AE)(E^{-1}\vec{v}) = (E^{-1}A)((EE^{-1})\vec{v}) \\ &= (E^{-1}A)(I\vec{v}) = E^{-1}(A\vec{v}) = E^{-1}(\lambda\vec{v}) = \lambda(E^{-1}\vec{v}). \end{split}$$

Thus  $(\lambda, E^{-1}\vec{v})$  is an eigenpair of the matrix B.