

# Homework #4 Solution

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Exercise 4.1

12 By the definition (p.253),  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  if there is a nonzero vector  $\mathbf{x}$  such that  $A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$ . This equation can be converted to  $(A - \lambda I)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ , therefore we can say that

“ $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  if the solution of the (homogeneous) linear system  $(A - \lambda I)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  has a non-trivial solution. (Or if the nullity of  $A - \lambda I$  is not zero.)

Assigning  $\lambda = 2$ ,

$$A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

To find the nullspace of  $A - 2I$ , we apply the Gaussian elimination as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} &\xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 - 4R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 / (-2) \\ R_3 + 2R_2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\text{rank}((A - 2I)) = 2$ , by the rank theorem,  $\text{nullity}((A - 2I)) = 3 - 2 = 1 \neq 0$ , therefore 2 is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

37 The characteristic polynomial is

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (a - \lambda)(d - \lambda) - 0 \cdot b = (\lambda - a)(\lambda - d)$$

and hence the eigenvalues are  $a$  and  $d$ .

(a) For the eigenvalue  $a$ ,

$$\det(A - aI) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}.$$

The solution of the linear system  $(A - aI)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  is  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  therefore

$$E_a = \text{null}(A - aI) = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue  $a$ .

(b) For the eigenvalue  $d$ ,

$$\det(A - dI) = \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

The solution of the linear system  $(A - dI)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  is  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ -a \end{bmatrix} t$  therefore

$$E_d = \text{null}(A - dI) = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} b \\ -a \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

and  $\begin{bmatrix} b \\ -a \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue  $d$ .

Excercise 4.2

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$$A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_i \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_j \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_n]$$

and

$$B = [\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_i \quad \cdots \quad k\mathbf{a}_i + \mathbf{a}_j \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_n],$$

where  $\mathbf{a}_1 \cdots \mathbf{a}_n$  are column vectors. Now let  $C$  be the matrix obtained by replacing the  $j$ -th column of  $A$  with  $k\mathbf{a}_i$ . Then,  $B, C$ , and  $A$  are identical except that the  $j$ th column of  $B$  is the sum of the  $j$ th columns of  $C$  and  $A$ . Therefore by Theorem 4.3(e),

$$\det B = \det C + \det A.$$

Since  $\det C = 0$  by Theorem 4.3(c),  $\det B = \det A$ .

The case with rows can be proved in the same way.

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$$\det(B^{-1}AB) = \det B^{-1} \det A \det B = \frac{1}{\det B} \det A \det B = \det A.$$

65 Since  $A$  is invertible, by Theorem 4.12 and 4.7,

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det A} = \det \left( \frac{1}{\det A} \text{adj } A \right) = \frac{1}{(\det A)^n} \det(\text{adj } A)$$

hence

$$\det(\operatorname{adj} A) = (\det A)^{n-1}.$$

Since  $A$  is invertible,  $\det A \neq 0$  therefore  $\det(\operatorname{adj} A) \neq 0$  and  $\operatorname{adj} A$  is invertible, by Theorem 4.6.

By Theorem 4.12,

$$\begin{aligned} (\operatorname{adj} A)^{-1} &= ((\det A)A^{-1})^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{\det A}(A^{-1})^{-1} && \text{(Theorem 3.9(b))} \\ &= \frac{1}{\det A} \left( \frac{1}{\det(A^{-1})} \operatorname{adj}(A^{-1}) \right) && \text{(Theorem 4.12)} \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{\det A} \det A \right) \operatorname{adj}(A^{-1}) \\ &= \operatorname{adj}(A^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

70 (a) For the  $4 \times 4$  matrix

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} P & Q & & \\ R & S & & \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right],$$

$A$  can be converted from  $I_4$  by exchanging two pairs of columns (or rows). Therefore,  $A = E_1 E_2 I_4$  and, by Theorem 4.4(a),  $\det A = \det E_1 \det E_2 \det I_4 = 1$ . But, since  $\det P = \det S = 0$  and  $\det Q = \det R = 1$ ,  $(\det P)(\det S) - (\det Q)(\det R) = -1 \neq \det A$ .

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} BA &= \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} P^{-1} & O & \\ -RP^{-1} & I & \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} P & Q & \\ R & S & \end{array} \right] \\ &= \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} P^{-1}P + OR & P^{-1}Q + OS & \\ (-RP^{-1})P + IR & (-RP^{-1})Q + IS & \end{array} \right] \\ &= \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} I & P^{-1}Q \\ O & -RP^{-1}Q + S \end{array} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by Exercise 69,

$$\det(BA) = (\det I)(\det(-RP^{-1}Q + S)) = \det(S - RP^{-1}Q).$$

On the other hand, by Theorem 4.10 and Exercise 69,

$$\begin{aligned} \det B &= \det(B^T) = \det \left( \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} (P^{-1})^T & (-RP^{-1})^T \\ O & I \end{array} \right] \right) = (\det((P^{-1})^T))(\det I) \\ &= \det(P^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det P}. \end{aligned}$$

Overall, since  $\det(BA) = \det B \det A$ ,

$$\det A = \frac{\det(S - RP^{-1}Q)}{\det B} = \det P \det(S - RP^{-1}Q).$$

(c) From (b),

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= \det P \det(S - RP^{-1}Q) \\ &= \det(P(S - RP^{-1}Q)) && \text{(Theorem 4.8)} \\ &= \det(PS - PRP^{-1}Q) \\ &= \det(PS - RPP^{-1}Q) && (PR = RP) \\ &= \det(PS - RQ). \end{aligned}$$

Excercise 4.3

12 (a) Note that

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 4 - \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 - \lambda & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix}.$$

By applying the Laplace expansion theorem with respect to the first column,

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (4 - \lambda)(-1)^{1+1} \det A_{11} = (4 - \lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 4 - \lambda & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix}.$$

Again, applying the theorem w.r.t. the first column,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{vmatrix} 4 - \lambda & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} &= (4 - \lambda)(-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 3 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (4 - \lambda)(-\lambda(1 - \lambda) - 2 \cdot 3) \\ &= (4 - \lambda)(\lambda^2 - \lambda - 6) = (4 - \lambda)(\lambda - 3)(\lambda + 2). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (\lambda - 4)^2(\lambda - 3)(\lambda + 2).$$

(b) The eigenvalues, which are the roots of the equation  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ , are  $\lambda_1 = 4$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 3$ , and  $\lambda_3 = -2$ .

(c) (i) For  $\lambda_1 = 4$ .

By applying the Gaussian elimination,

$$A - \lambda_1 I = A - 4I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 + 3R_1 \\ R_4 - 3R_1 \end{array}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}x_3 = 0 &\rightarrow x_3 = 0 \\x_4 = 0 &\rightarrow x_4 = 0,\end{aligned}$$

by taking free parameters  $t$  and  $s$  for  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  respectively, the eigenspace is

$$E_{\lambda_1} = E_4 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t \\ s \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} t + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} s \right\} = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

(ii) For  $\lambda_2 = 3$ .

$$A - \lambda_2 I = A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_3/(-2) \\ R_3 - 3R_3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}0 \cdot x_4 = 0 &\rightarrow x_4 = t && \text{(free parameter)} \\x_3 - x_4 = 0 &\rightarrow x_3 = t \\x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0 &\rightarrow x_2 = -x_3 - x_4 = -2t \\x_1 + x_3 = 0 &\rightarrow x_1 = -x_3 = -t\end{aligned}$$

and the eigenspace is

$$E_{\lambda_2} = E_3 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -t \\ -2t \\ t \\ t \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} t \right\} = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

(iii) For  $\lambda_3 = -2$ .

$$A - \lambda_3 I = A + 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_1/6 \\ R_2/6 \\ R_3/3 \\ R_4 - 3R_3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1/6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/6 & 1/6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 \cdot x_4 = 0 &\rightarrow x_4 = t && \text{(free parameter)} \\
 x_3 + \frac{2}{3}x_4 = 0 &\rightarrow x_3 = -\frac{2}{3}t \\
 x_2 + \frac{1}{6}x_3 + \frac{1}{6}x_4 = 0 &\rightarrow x_2 = -\frac{1}{9}t - \frac{1}{6}t = -\frac{5}{18}t \\
 x_1 + \frac{1}{6}x_3 = 0 &\rightarrow x_1 = -\frac{1}{9}t
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$E_{\lambda_3} = E_{-2} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -(1/9)t \\ -(5/18)t \\ -(2/3)t \\ t \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ -\frac{1}{18} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 12 \\ -18 \end{bmatrix} t \right\} = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 12 \\ -18 \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

(d) Since  $\dim E_4 = 2$ ,  $\dim E_3 = 1$ , and  $\dim E_{-2} = 1$ ,

eigenvalue	4	3	-2
algebraic multiplicity	2	1	1
geometric multiplicity	2	1	1

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$$\begin{aligned}
 A\mathbf{v}_1 &= -\frac{1}{3}\mathbf{v}_1 \\
 A\mathbf{v}_2 &= \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{v}_2 \\
 A\mathbf{v}_3 &= \mathbf{v}_3
 \end{aligned}$$

Since the solution of the linear system

$$[\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \mathbf{v}_3] \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is

$$\begin{aligned}
 z = 2 &\rightarrow z = 2 \\
 y + z = 1 &\rightarrow y = 1 - z = -1 \\
 x + y + z = 2 &\rightarrow x = 2 - y - z = 1,
 \end{aligned}$$

we get

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2 + 2\mathbf{v}_3.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} A^{10}\mathbf{x} &= A^{10}(\mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2 + 2\mathbf{v}_3) = A^{10}\mathbf{v}_1 - A^{10}\mathbf{v}_2 + 2A^{10}\mathbf{v}_3 = \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^{10}\mathbf{v}_1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{10}\mathbf{v}_2 + 2\mathbf{v}_3 \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^{10} - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{10} + 2 \\ -\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{10} + 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -\frac{1}{3^{10}} + 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

18 It is straightforward to find

$$A^k\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{(-3)^k} - \frac{1}{3^k} + 2 \\ -\frac{1}{3^k} + 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a)  $k$  is even.

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k\mathbf{x} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3^k} - \frac{1}{3^k} + 2 \\ -\frac{1}{3^k} + 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -\frac{1}{3^k} + 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b)  $k$  is odd.

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k\mathbf{x} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3^k} - \frac{1}{3^k} + 2 \\ -\frac{1}{3^k} + 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{3^k} + 2 \\ -\frac{1}{3^k} + 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A^k\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

22  $(A - cI)\mathbf{x} = A\mathbf{x} - c\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x} - c\mathbf{x} = (\lambda - c)\mathbf{x}.$

41 (a) Sum of eigenvalues.

From 40,  $\text{tr}(A)$  and  $\text{tr}(B)$  are each the sum of the eigenvalues of  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively. On the other hand, from the exercise 44(a) of Chap. 3.2 (p.160),

$$\text{tr}(A + B) = \text{tr}(A) + \text{tr}(B).$$

(b) Product of eigenvalues.

This can be easily proved since  $\det AB = \det A \det B$  and from 40,  $\det A$  and  $\det B$  are each the product of all the eigenvalue of  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively.

Excercise 4.4

11 The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is

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

(a) For  $\lambda_1 = 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 A - \lambda_1 I &= A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\xrightarrow{\substack{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3 \\ R_3 - R_2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -10 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the solution of the homogeneous linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 z = 0 &\rightarrow z = 0 \\
 x + y - z = 0 &\rightarrow x = t, y = -x = -t
 \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$E_{\lambda_1} = E_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t \\ -t \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} t \right\} = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

(b) For  $\lambda_2 = 2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
A - \lambda_2 I &= A - 2I \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&\xrightarrow{\substack{-R_1 \\ R_3 - R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&\xrightarrow{\substack{-R_2 \\ R_3 - R_2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
0 \cdot z &= 0 \rightarrow z = t && \text{(free parameter)} \\
y - z &= 0 \rightarrow y = t \\
x - z &= 0 \rightarrow x = t
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$E_{\lambda_2} = E_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t \\ t \\ t \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

(c) For  $\lambda_3 = -1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
A - \lambda_3 I &= A + I \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&\xrightarrow{\substack{R_1/2 \\ R_3 - R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&\xrightarrow{\substack{R_2/2 \\ R_3 - R_2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
0 \cdot z &= 0 \rightarrow z = t && \text{(free parameter)} \\
y + \frac{1}{2}z &= 0 \rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2}t \\
x + \frac{1}{2}z &= 0 \rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}t
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$E_{\lambda_3} = E_{-1} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2}t \\ -\frac{1}{2}t \\ t \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

Therefore,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}.$$

13 First we need to find the eigenvalues. The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is

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

(a) For  $\lambda_1 = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} A - \lambda_1 I &= A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 + R_1 \\ R_3 - R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{\substack{R_2/2 \\ R_3 + R_2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \cdot z &= 0 \rightarrow z = t && \text{(free parameter)} \\ y + z &= 0 \rightarrow y = -t \\ z + 2y + z &= 0 \rightarrow x = -2y - z = t \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$E_{\lambda_1} = E_0 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t \\ -t \\ t \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} t = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

Since the geometric multiplicity of the eigenvalue  $\lambda_1 = 0$  is 1, while its algebraic multiplicity is 2,  $A$  is not diagonalizable.

32 We can prove by showing that  $\text{nullity}(A) = \text{nullity}(B)$  due to the rank theorem (p.203). Let  $AP = PB$ .

(a) We first prove that  $\text{nullity}(A) \leq \text{nullity}(B)$  by showing that for any  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{null}(A)$ , there exists a unique vector  $P^{-1}\mathbf{x}$  in  $\text{null}(B)$ .

Let  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{null}(A)$  and  $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$ . Then,

$$A\mathbf{x} = (PBP^{-1})\mathbf{x} = P(B(P^{-1}\mathbf{x})) = \mathbf{0}.$$

Since  $P$  is invertible,  $P^{-1}\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$  and  $P^{-1}\mathbf{x}$  is unique for given  $\mathbf{x}$ . Also, since  $P$  is invertible,  $P(B(P^{-1}\mathbf{x})) = \mathbf{0}$  if and only if  $B(P^{-1}\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ . Therefore  $P^{-1}\mathbf{x} \in \text{null}(B)$ .

(b) We can also prove that  $\text{nullity}(B) \leq \text{nullity}(A)$  in the same way by showing that for any  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{null}(B)$ , there exists a unique vector  $P\mathbf{x}$  in  $\text{null}(A)$ .

Overall,  $\text{nullity}(A) = \text{nullity}(B)$ .

34 With  $P = A$ ,

$$P^{-1}(AB)P = A^{-1}ABA = BA.$$

40 Let

$$P^{-1}AP = B.$$

With  $Q = (P^T)^{-1}$ ,

$$Q^{-1}A^TQ = (Q^T A(Q^{-1})^T)^T = P^{-1}AP^T = B^T.$$

43 If we diagonalize  $A$  as

$$A = PDP^{-1},$$

since  $D = \lambda I$ ,

$$A = P(\lambda I)P^{-1} = \lambda(PIP^{-1}) = \lambda I.$$

45 This is true due to 4.22(e).