

Math 202 Quiz # 8b

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

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 3-\lambda & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-\lambda & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3-\lambda)(2-\lambda)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \underline{\underline{3, 2, 2}}, \text{ the eigen values of } A$$

To find the eigenvectors:

$$\boxed{\text{For } \lambda = 3} \quad (A - 3I)K = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \\ k_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3 \\ -R_2}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{-R_1 \\ R_2 + R_3}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \begin{cases} k_2 = 0 \text{ \& } k_1 = -k_3 \\ \text{Take } k_3 = 1 \\ \Rightarrow k_1 = -1 \end{cases}$$

$\therefore K_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector corresponds to  $\lambda = 3$ .

$$\boxed{\text{For } \lambda = 2} \quad (A - 2I)K = 0 \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow k_1 = k_2$  &  $k_3$  is any constant. So, we get 2 eigenvectors

correspond to  $\lambda = 2$  as:  $K_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $K_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

