

Problem 3. Diagonalize the matrix if possible.

1. $A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 & -1 \\ -7 & 5 & -1 \\ -6 & 6 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ (Hint: Matrix A has two eigenvalues of $\lambda_1 = -2$ and $\lambda_2 = 4$.)

$$A + 2I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -7 & 7 & -1 \\ -6 & 6 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \dim(E_{\lambda_1}) = 1$$

(1 free variable)

$$A - 4I = \begin{pmatrix} -7 & 1 & -1 \\ -7 & 1 & -1 \\ -6 & 6 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -7 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -6 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\dim(E_{\lambda_2}) = 1 \text{ (1 free variable).}$$

Matrix is not diagonalizable.

$$\dim(E_{\lambda_1}) + \dim(E_{\lambda_2}) = 1 + 1 = 2 < 3.$$

2. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 6 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$, $f_A(t) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-t & 6 & -2 \\ 0 & 2-t & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & -4-t \end{vmatrix} = (2-t) \begin{vmatrix} 1-t & -2 \\ 3 & -4-t \end{vmatrix}$

$$= (2-t)((t-1)(t+4)+6) = (2-t)(t^2+3t+2) = (2-t)(t+1)(t+2)$$

$\lambda_1 = -2$, $\lambda_2 = -1$, $\lambda_3 = 2$. A has 3 distinct eigenvalues \Rightarrow
 A is diagonalizable.

$$\lambda_1 = -2: A + 2I = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & -2 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = -1: A + I = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_3 = 2: A - 2I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 6 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & -6 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -6 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -6 & 2 \\ 0 & 7 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -10/7 \\ 0 & 1 & -4/7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A = SDS^{-1}, D = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & & \\ & -1 & \\ & & 2 \end{pmatrix}, S = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 & 7 \end{pmatrix}.$$