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KEY

[40pts] 1. The following questions are short answer and only require a brief explanation.

(a) If $\text{char}(A) = (1 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda)^3(5 - \lambda)$, find all the eigenvalues of A .

$$\lambda = 1, 2, 5$$

(b) Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices. Define what it means for A and B to be similar.

There exists an invertible matrix P
such that $A = PBP^{-1}$

(c) Find the characteristic polynomial of $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -1-\lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow -1 + \lambda - \lambda + \lambda^2 - 4 = \lambda^2 - 5$$

$$= (-1-\lambda)(1-\lambda) - 4$$

(d) Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, b_3\}$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 and let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a linear transformation such that b_1 and b_2 are eigenvectors belonging to 2 and b_3 is an eigenvector belonging to -3. Find the matrix of T with respect to \mathcal{B} .

$$[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(e) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & -3 \\ 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$, $D = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$. Then $A = PDP^{-1}$. Find A^6 .

$$A^6 = P D^6 P^{-1} \quad P^{-1} = \frac{1}{-3} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & -1/3 \\ -1/3 & -1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^6 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6^4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 & -1/3 \\ -1/3 & -1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- [10] 2. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a linear transformation, such that the matrix of T with respect to the $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, b_3\}$ basis is

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ What is } [T(b_1 - 2b_2 + b_3)]_{\mathcal{B}}?$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2+2+0 \\ 1-2+2 \\ 0+6+3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- [10] 3. Let $u = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $w = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$. Compute $u \cdot w$ and $\|u\|^2$.

$$u \cdot w = -2 + 4 + 15 = 17$$

$$\|u\|^2 = 4 + 4 + 9 = 17$$

- [8] 4. Find the distance between $u = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$\begin{aligned}\|u-v\| &= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = \sqrt{11^2 + 2^2} \\ &= \sqrt{121+4} = \sqrt{125} \\ &= \boxed{5\sqrt{5}}\end{aligned}$$

- [10] 5. Let $T : \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2$ be the linear transformation defined by

$$T(f(x)) = f(1) + f'(2)x + f''(1)x^2.$$

Find the matrix of T with respect to the standard basis $\mathcal{B} = \{1, x, x^2\}$.

$$T(1) = f(1) + f'(2)x + f''(1)x^2$$

$$f(1) = 1, \quad f' = 0 \quad f'' = 0$$

$$T(1) = 1 + 0 + 0$$

$$T(x) = 1 + 1x + 0x^2$$

$$T(x^2) = 1 + 4x + 2x^2$$

$$[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

6. The matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ has eigenvalues 2 and 3.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

[10] (a) Find a basis of the eigenspace for each eigenvalue.

$$A - 2I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -x_2 \\ x_3 = 0 \end{array}$$

Basis is $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A - 3I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -2x_3 \\ x_2, x_3 \text{ free} \end{array}$$

Basis is $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

[6] (b) Explain briefly why A is diagonalizable.

$$\dim(E_2) = 1 \text{ and } \dim(E_3) = 2$$

$$\text{so } \dim(E_2) + \dim(E_3) = 3 = \# \text{ of columns of } A$$

[6] (c) Find a diagonal matrix D , and a matrix P such that $A = PDP^{-1}$.

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad P = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$