

Practice all the questions

1. Find the eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenvectors of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & -6 & 2 \\ -6 & 7 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

Answer: eigenvalues are $\lambda = 0, 3, 15$ and the corresponding eigenvectors are

$$X_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, X_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, X_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. Verify Cayley-Hamilton theorem for $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ and hence find A^{-1} if exists. Also find

the matrix B where $B = A^5 - 3A^4 - 7A^3 - A^2 + 2A + I$

Answer: Characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 - 7\lambda - 1 = 0$. Clearly, $A^3 - 3A^2 - 7A - I = 0$ and

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 2 & -3 \\ 7 & -2 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ And } B = 2A + I.$$

3. Solve $x + 2y - 5z = -2$, $2x - y + 3z = 4$, $x + 3y - z = 3$ using (i) Gaussian elimination and (ii) Gauss Jordan and Gauss Jordan methods.

Answer: $x=1$, $y=1$, $z=1$