

1. 請框出答案. 2. 不可使用手機、計算器，禁止作弊!

1. Given a matrix  $A$  and use it to answer the following question. (a) find the eigenvalues and a corresponding eigenvectors of  $A$ . (b) find the algebraic multiplicity and the geometric multiplicity of each eigenvalue.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -7 & 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Answer: (a) find the eigenvalues and a corresponding eigenvectors of  $A$ :  $(2, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}), (-2, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix})$ .

(b) Answer: for eigenvalue -2, its alg. multiplicity is 1 where its geo. multiplicity is 1.  
for eigenvalue 2, its alg. multiplicity is 2 where its geo. multiplicity is 1.

(c) Is  $A$  diagonalizable? ( Yes / No ) .

If not, why? for eigenvalue 2, its alg. multiplicity is 2 where its geo. multiplicity is 1.

If so, find an invertible matrix  $C$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $D = C^{-1}AC$ .

$C =$  X , and  $D =$  X .

### Solution :

Since the characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is  $p_A(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) = -\lambda^3 + 2\lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 8 = (-2 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda)^2$ , the algebraic multiplicity of 2 is 2 and the algebraic multiplicity of -2 is 1.

$$A - 2I \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{null}(A - 2I) = \text{sp}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \Rightarrow \text{the geometric multiplicity of 2 is 1.}$$

$$A - (-2)I \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{null}(A - (-2)I) = \text{sp}\left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) \Rightarrow \text{the geometric multiplicity of -2 is 1.}$$

2. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. (下面兩題挑一題證即可，記得註明你要證哪題)

- (a) Prove that if  $A$  is similar to  $rA$  where  $r$  is a real scalar other than 1 or -1, then all eigenvalues of  $A$  are zero. [Hint: by 5-2 prob. 18. similar matrices have the same eigenvalues with the same algebraic multiplicities.]
- (b) What can you say about  $A$  if it is diagonalizable and similar to  $rA$  for some  $r$  where  $|r| \neq 1$ ?

**Solution :**

(a) If  $r = 0$ , trivial case!

If  $r \neq 0$  and  $|r| > 1$ . Let  $\lambda_1$  is an eigenvalue (possible complex) of  $A$  of maximum magnitude and there exist  $\vec{v}_1 \neq \vec{0}$  so that  $A\vec{v}_1 = \lambda_1\vec{v}_1$ . Thus  $(rA)\vec{v}_1 = (r\lambda_1)\vec{v}_1$  and  $r\lambda_1$  is an eigenvalue of  $rA$ . Since  $A$  is similar to  $rA$  and use the idea of 5-2 prob. 18, we know that  $r\lambda_1$  is also an eigenvalue of  $A$ . However,  $|r\lambda_1| > |\lambda_1|$ . ( $\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$ )

If  $r \neq 0$  and  $|r| < 1$ . Let  $\tilde{\lambda}_1$  is an eigenvalue (possible complex) of  $A$  of minimum magnitude. Similarly, we have  $|r\tilde{\lambda}_1| < |\tilde{\lambda}_1|$ . ( $\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$ )

(b)  $A = O_{n \times n}$ .