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Instructions:

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- Using the calculator is not allowed (and not necessary) for this exam.
- Any work necessary to arrive at an answer must be shown on the examination paper. Marks will not be given for final answers that are not supported by appropriate work.
- Clearly indicate your final answer to each question either by **underlining it or circling it**. If multiple answers are shown then no marks will be awarded.
- Please answer the problems in English.

1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) [1pt] State the definition of when two matrices are similar.

$A$  and  $B$  are similar if  $B = Q^{-1} A Q$   
for some matrix  $Q$ .

(b) [1pt] Is  $A$  similar to  $B$ ? **Provide your reasons.**

No.  $A = 2I$  is only similar to itself.

(c) [1pt] Is  $B$  similar to  $C$ ? **Provide your reasons.**

Yes,  $C = Q^{-1} B Q$  with  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(d) [1pt] Is  $B$  similar to  $D$ ? **Provide your reasons.**

No,  $\text{tr}(B) \neq \text{tr}(D)$ .

(e) [1pt] Find a matrix  $M$  such that  $M$  is similar to  $B$  and every entry of  $M$  is nonzero. **Justify your answer.**

$$\text{Let } Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } Q^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Then choose } M = Q^{-1} B Q$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. [5pt] Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 30 \\ 1 & 0 & -31 \\ 0 & 1 & 10 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find a diagonal matrix  $D$  and an invertible matrix  $Q$  such that  $D = Q^{-1}AQ$ .

① Find eigval.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 0 & 30 \\ 1 & -\lambda & -31 \\ 0 & 1 & 10-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = -\lambda^2(\lambda+10) + 30(-31\lambda)$$

$$= -\lambda^3 + 10\lambda^2 - 31\lambda + 30$$

$$= -\lambda^2 + 8\lambda - 15$$

$$= -(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)(\lambda-5)$$

So  $\lambda = 2, 3, 5$ .

② Find eigvec.

$$\underline{\lambda = 2} \quad A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 30 \\ 1 & -2 & -31 \\ 0 & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -15 \\ 0 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\ker(A - 2I) = \text{span}\{\vec{u}_1\} \text{ with } \vec{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ -8 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 3 \quad A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & 30 \\ 1 & -3 & -31 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\ker(A - 3I) = \text{span}\{\vec{u}_2\} \text{ with } \vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ -7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 5 \quad A - 5I = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 0 & 30 \\ 1 & -5 & -31 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\ker(A - 5I) = \text{span}\{\vec{u}_3\} \text{ with } \vec{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } \underline{D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}} \quad \underline{Q = \begin{bmatrix} 15 & 10 & 6 \\ -8 & -7 & -5 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}$$

3. [5pt] Solve the recurrence relation

$$a_{n+2} = a_{n+1} + 6a_n,$$

$$a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1$$

and find a general form for  $a_n$ , in terms of  $n$ .

$$\text{Let } \vec{x}_n = \begin{bmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n+1} \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Then } \vec{x}_{n+1} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{n+1} \\ a_{n+2} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 6 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n+1} \end{bmatrix} = A \cdot \vec{x}_n.$$

$$\text{Thus, } \vec{x}_n = A^n \cdot \vec{x}_0.$$

Diagonalize  $A$ :

$$\text{Find eigen: } \det(A - xI) = \det \begin{pmatrix} -x & 1 \\ 6 & 1-x \end{pmatrix} = x^2 - 6x - 6 = (x-3)(x+2)$$

$$\lambda = 3, -2.$$

Find eigvec:

$$\lambda = 3. \quad A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = -2. \quad A + 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Let } D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Then } AD = Q^{-1}AQ$$

$$\text{So } \vec{x}_n = QD^nQ^{-1}\vec{x}_0 \quad \text{and } A = QDQ^{-1}.$$

$$a_n = \text{1-st entry of } QD^nQ^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \left( Q^{-1} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3^n \\ (-2)^n \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{5} \cdot 3^n - \frac{1}{5} (-2)^n$$

4. [5pt] Mathematical essay: Write a few paragraphs to introduce the *characteristic polynomial*.

Your score will be based on the following criteria.

- The definition is clear.
- Some sentences are added to explain the definition.
- Examples or pictures are included to help understanding.
- The sentences are complete.

5. [extra 5pt] Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 8 & -12 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } J = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find an invertible matrix  $Q$  such that  $J = Q^{-1}AQ$ .

Find  $Q$  such that  $AQ = QJ$ .

Let  $Q = [u_1 | u_2 | u_3]$ . Then

$$AQ = [Au_1 | Au_2 | Au_3].$$

$$QJ = [2u_1 | u_1 + 2u_2 | u_3 + 2u_2].$$

Solve  $Au_1 = 2u_1$  :  $A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 8 & -12 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{so } \vec{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solve  $Au_2 = u_1 + 2u_2 \Leftrightarrow (A - 2I)\vec{u}_2 = \vec{u}_1$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 8 & -12 & 4 & 4 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

$$\text{so } \vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solve  $Au_3 = u_3 + 2u_2 \Leftrightarrow (A - 2I)u_3 = \vec{u}_2$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 8 & -12 & 4 & 4 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

so  $\vec{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Choose  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

6. [extra 2pt] Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } D = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find an invertible matrix  $Q$  such that  $D = Q^{-1}AQ$ .

Find basis of  $\ker(A - 4I)$ .

$$\Rightarrow u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find basis of  $\ker(A - 0I)$

$$\Rightarrow u_2, u_3, u_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Choose  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

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