



# Additional Practice Problems

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Please work only one problem per page, starting with the pages provided, and identify all continuations clearly.

[1] Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Write  $A$  as  $CDC^{-1}$  for a diagonal matrix  $D$ .

answer:

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

$S \leftarrow S$                    $S \leftarrow E$      $E \leftarrow E$      $E \leftarrow S$

work:

$$\det |A - \lambda I| = \lambda^2 - \underbrace{\text{trace}(A)}_{4+1} \lambda + \underbrace{\det(A)}_{4 \cdot 1 - (-2) \cdot 1} = \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 6 = (\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 3) = 0$$

$\lambda = 2, 3$

$$\lambda = 2: A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \boxed{\lambda_1 = 2, v_1 = (1, 1)}$$

$$\lambda = 3: A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \boxed{\lambda_2 = 3, v_2 = (2, 1)}$$

inverse  $\rightarrow$

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

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

$v_1 \quad v_2$

[2] Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 3 & 4 \\ -2 & 2 & 2 \\ -6 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ . Write  $A$  as  $CDC^{-1}$  for a diagonal matrix  $D$ .

answer:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -5 & 3 & 4 \\ -2 & 2 & 2 \\ -6 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$S \leftarrow S \qquad S \leftarrow E \quad E \leftarrow E \quad E \leftarrow S$

work:

$$-\det|A - \lambda I| = \lambda^3 - \underbrace{\text{trace}(A)}_{-5+2+5} \lambda^2 + \underbrace{\text{trace}(A^2 A)}_{\begin{matrix} |-5 & 3| & |-5 & 4| & |2 & 2| \\ |-2 & 2| & |-6 & 5| & |3 & 5| \\ -4 & -1 & 4 \end{matrix}} \lambda - \det(A) = 0$$

$$\det(A) = -5 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} - 6 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -20 + 6 + 12 = -2$$

$\begin{matrix} + & & & \\ & + & & \\ & & + & \\ & & & + \end{matrix}$

$\lambda$	-2	0	0	1	2
$\lambda^3 - 2\lambda^2 - \lambda + 2$	-12	0	2	0	0

roots ↗

$$\lambda^3 - 2\lambda^2 - \lambda + 2 = 0$$

$$(\lambda+1)(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2) = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 1 \quad \begin{array}{r|l} \lambda & -2 \\ \lambda^2 & \lambda^3 - 2\lambda^2 \\ -1 & -\lambda + 2 \end{array} \checkmark$$

$\lambda = -1, 1, 2$

$$\lambda = -1: \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 3 & 4 \\ -2 & 3 & 2 \\ -6 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{0} \quad \lambda = 1: \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 3 & 4 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \\ -6 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda = 2: \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 3 & 4 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 \\ -6 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \Big|_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -4 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 3 & 4 \\ -2 & 2 & 2 \\ -6 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

inverse ↗

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$

[3] Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the matrix exponential  $e^{At}$ .

answer:

$$e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} 2te^{2t} + e^{2t} & -4e^{2t} \\ te^{2t} & e^{2t} - 2te^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

work:

$$\det|A - \lambda I| = \lambda^2 - \underbrace{\text{trace}(A)}_{4+0}\lambda + \underbrace{\det(A)}_{4 \cdot 0 - (-4) \cdot 1} = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4 = (\lambda - 2)^2 = 0$$

$$\boxed{\lambda = 2, 2}$$

$\lambda = 2$ :  $B = A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  Can't find independent  $v_1, v_2$  so  $v_1, v_2 \xrightarrow{B} 0$   
 Instead try to find  $v_2 \xrightarrow{B} v_1 \xrightarrow{B} 0$

$v_2 = (0, 1)$ ?  $Bv_2 = (-4, 2)$  too messy  
 $v_2 = (1, 0)$   $Bv_2 = (2, 1) = v_1$   $Bv_1 = \vec{0}$  ✓

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

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ v_1 & v_2 \end{matrix}$ 
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} & te^{2t} \\ 0 & e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2te^{2t} + e^{2t} & -4te^{2t} \\ te^{2t} & e^{2t} - 2te^{2t} \end{bmatrix} \quad e^{At}|_{t=0} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} te^{2t} & e^{2t} - 2te^{2t} \\ e^{2t} & -2e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{d}{dt} e^{At}|_{t=0} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

or

$$e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1+t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 2t+1 & -4t \\ t & 1-2t \end{bmatrix}$$

$\begin{bmatrix} t & 1+2t \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

[4] Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 2 \\ -5 & 2 & 3 \\ -4 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the matrix exponential  $e^{At}$ .

answer:

$$e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 - 2e^t - te^t & -1 + e^t & -1 + e^t + te^t \\ 3 - 3e^t - 2te^t & -1 + 2e^t & -1 + e^t + 2te^t \\ 3 - 3e^t - te^t & -1 + e^t & -1 + 2e^t + te^t \end{bmatrix}$$

work:

$$-\det|A - \lambda I| = \lambda^3 - \underbrace{\text{trace}(A)}_{-3+2+3} \lambda^2 + \underbrace{\text{trace}(\Lambda^2 A)}_{\begin{matrix} |-3 & 1 \\ -5 & 2 \\ -4 & 1 \end{matrix}} \lambda - \det(A)$$

← 0, because A singular:  
 $A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{0}$  hmmm...

$$\lambda^3 - 2\lambda^2 + \lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda(\lambda - 1)^2 = 0 \quad \boxed{\lambda = 0, 1, 1}$$

$$\lambda = 0: \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 2 \\ -5 & 2 & 3 \\ -4 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{0} \quad \boxed{v_1 = (1, 1, 1)}$$

$$\lambda = 1: \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 1 & 2 \\ -5 & 1 & 3 \\ -4 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow B = A - 1I$$

Rank 2, can't find independent  $v_2, v_3$  so  $v_2, v_3 \xrightarrow{B} 0$   
 Instead try to find  $v_3 \xrightarrow{B} v_2 \xrightarrow{B} 0$   
 Most  $v_3$  so  $B^2 v_3 = 0$  will work.

$$B^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Try } v_3 = (0, 1, -1)$$

$$Bv_3 = v_2 = (-1, -2, -1) \quad Bv_2 = 0$$

Invert  $\odot$   $\boxed{v_2 = (1, 2, 1), v_3 = (0, -1, 1)}$  (negate to clean up)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 2 \\ -5 & 2 & 3 \\ -4 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

$\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$   
 $v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3$

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

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{matrix}$$

[4] continued:  $e^{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} t} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & e^t & tet \\ e^t & tet & et \end{bmatrix}$  (temporarily set  $a=e^t, b=tet$ )

$$e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ a & b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3-2a-b & -1+a & -1+a+b \\ 3-3a-2b & -1+2a & -1+a+2b \\ 3-3a-b & -1+a & -1+2a+b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -2a+b & a & a+b \\ -a & 0 & a \end{bmatrix}$$

Check:  $e^{At}|_{t=0} = I$ :  $a|_{t=0} = e^t|_{t=0} = 1$ ,  $b|_{t=0} = tet|_{t=0} = 0$   $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $\text{⊗}$

$(\frac{d}{dt} e^{At})|_{t=0} = A$ :  $\frac{da}{dt}|_{t=0} = e^t|_{t=0} = 1$ ,  $\frac{db}{dt}|_{t=0} = (et+tet)|_{t=0} = 1$   $\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 2 \\ -5 & 2 & 3 \\ -4 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$   $\text{⊗}$

(constants  $\rightarrow 0$ !)  $\swarrow \searrow$

$\frac{d}{dt}$  then  $t=0$

so  $e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} 3-2e^t-tet & -1+e^t & -1+e^t+tet \\ 3-3e^t-2tet & -1+2e^t & -1+e^t+2tet \\ 3-3e^t-tet & -1+e^t & -1+2e^t+tet \end{bmatrix}$

(copy carefully to answer zone)

check copying by comparing coefficients; top of this page against answer.

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

Another approach would be to find these coefficients by solving 9  $3 \times 3$  systems of equations, probably by eye.