

# 6.3: Diagonalization

- A matrix  $A$  is called diagonalizable if  $A$  is similar to a diagonal matrix  $D_{n \times n}$   
s.t. :-  $A = XDX^{-1}$
  - If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  are distinct eigenvalues with eigenvectors  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$  Then  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$  are linearly independent
- Maximum number of linearly independent eigenvectors = Sum of dimensions of all eigenspaces

Diagonalizable:- iff  $A$  has  $n$  linearly independent eigenvectors

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & \dots & x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{eigenvectors} \\ \text{(basis for each eigenspace)} \end{matrix}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\lambda_1$  is corresponded to  $x_1$

$\lambda_2$  is corresponded to  $x_2$  and so on

Note:  
Defective = Not diagonalizable

\*  $X, D$  are not unique

\*  $A_{n \times n}$  has  $n$  distinct eigenvalues → Diagonalizable  
" " less than  $n$  → May or May not be Diagonalizable

Remark:- To find  $A^k = XD^kX^{-1}$

# \* How to solve problems?

$$1) \text{ f) } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 3 & 6 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda & -2 \\ 3 & 6 & -3-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda & -2 \\ 3 & 6 & -3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda) [(4-\lambda)(-3-\lambda) + 12] \\ + 2 [2(-3-\lambda) + 6] - [12 - 3(4-\lambda)]$$

$$= (1-\lambda) [-12 - 4\lambda + 3\lambda + \lambda^2 + 12] + 2 [-6 - 2\lambda + 6] - [12 - 12 + 3\lambda]$$

$$= (1-\lambda) [\lambda^2 - \lambda] + 2[-2\lambda] + -3\lambda$$

$$= (1-\lambda)(\lambda^2 - \lambda) + 4\lambda - 3\lambda$$

$$= \lambda^2 - \lambda - \lambda^3 + \lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 3\lambda$$

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

$$= \lambda^2(2-\lambda)$$

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0, \lambda_3 = 2$$

$E(\lambda_1 = 0) :-$

$$\text{Solve :- } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 3 & 6 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_3 = \alpha$$

$$x_2 = \beta$$

$$x_1 = -2\beta + \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow E(\lambda_1 = 0) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2\beta + \alpha \\ \beta \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$
$$\text{Basis} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$E(\lambda_3=2) :-$$

$$\text{Solve :- } \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 6 & -4 \\ 0 & 12 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 6 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\leadsto \begin{cases} X_3 = \alpha \\ 6X_2 = 4\alpha \\ X_2 = \frac{2}{3}\alpha \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -X_1 &= -2X_2 + X_3 \\ -X_1 &= -2\left(\frac{2}{3}\alpha\right) + \alpha \\ &= -\frac{4}{3}\alpha + \frac{3}{3}\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{X_1 = \frac{\alpha}{3}}$$

$$\text{Basis } E(\lambda_3=2) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & \frac{1}{3} \\ 1 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ Then find } X^{-1}$$

$$4) a) \text{ find } B^2 = A \text{ where } A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |A - \lambda I| &= \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 \\ -2 & -1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (2-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) + 2 \\ &= -2 - 2\lambda + \lambda + \lambda^2 + 2 \\ &= -\lambda + \lambda^2 + 0 \\ &= \lambda(-1+\lambda) = 0 \leadsto \lambda = 0, \lambda = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X^{-1} = -2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(D)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = X(D)^{\frac{1}{2}}X^{-1}$$

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

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

$$\text{If } \lambda_1 = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X_2 = \alpha \quad X_1 = -\frac{1}{2}\alpha$$

$$E(\lambda_1 = 0) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\alpha \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{If } \lambda_2 = 1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X_2 = \beta, \quad X_1 = -\beta$$