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1. For each statement below, determine whether the given statement is TRUE (*i.e.* always true) or FALSE (*i.e.* not always true). Provide a short justification for your response.

[2 marks]

(a) Let A and B be invertible $n \times n$ matrices. Then AB is invertible.

T If A, B invertible, $\det A \neq 0$ & $\det B \neq 0$
 $\Rightarrow \det(AB) = (\det A)(\det B) \neq 0.$

[2 marks]

(b) Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices. If \vec{v} is an eigenvector of both A and B , then it is also an eigenvector of $A + B$.

T we know $A\vec{v} = \lambda_1\vec{v}$ & $B\vec{v} = \lambda_2\vec{v}$
 $\Rightarrow (A+B)\vec{v} = A\vec{v} + B\vec{v}$
 $= \lambda_1\vec{v} + \lambda_2\vec{v}$
 $= (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)\vec{v}$

$\therefore \vec{v}$ is an e-vector of $A+B$.

2. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -6 \\ 2 & 1 & 12 \\ 1 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ be a 3×3 matrix.

[3 marks] (a) Show that $\lambda = 3$ is an eigenvalue of A , and find the corresponding eigenspace.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det(A - 3I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & -6 \\ 2 & -2 & 12 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ = 0$$

$\therefore \lambda = 3$ is an e-value.

$$E_3 = \text{null}(A - 3I)$$

$$\text{Solve } \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & -6 \\ 2 & -2 & 12 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \vec{x} = t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore E_3 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

[3 marks] (b) Compute the characteristic polynomial of A and find all eigenvalues of A .

$$\text{char poly } : \det(A - \lambda I) \\ = \det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 0 & -6 \\ 2 & 1-\lambda & 12 \\ 1 & 0 & 5-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \\ = (1-\lambda) \det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & -6 \\ 1 & 5-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \\ = (1-\lambda)(\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 6) \\ = (1-\lambda)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)$$

\therefore e-values are $\lambda = 1, 2, 3$