

**EX 7.3.4:** Let symmetric matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Find the characteristic polynomial  $p_A(\lambda)$ .

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} (4 - \lambda) & 2 \\ 2 & (4 - \lambda) \end{vmatrix} = (4 - \lambda)^2 - (2)(2) = (16 - 8\lambda + \lambda^2) - 4 = \lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 12 \implies p_A(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 12$$

(b) Find the eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2$  of  $A$ .

$$p_A(\lambda) = 0 \implies \lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 12 = 0 \stackrel{FACTOR}{\implies} (\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 6) = 0 \implies \lambda \in \{2, 6\} \implies \lambda_1 = 6, \lambda_2 = 2$$

(c) Find the eigenspaces  $E_{\lambda_1}, E_{\lambda_2}$  of  $A$ .

$$E_{\lambda_1} = \text{NulSp}(A - \lambda_1 I) \implies A - \lambda_1 I = A - 6I = \begin{bmatrix} (4-6) & 2 \\ 2 & (4-6) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[(A - \lambda_1 I) \mid \vec{0}] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1+R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(-\frac{1}{2})R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Column 2 has no pivot

$$x_2 \text{ is a free variable} \implies \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = t \\ x_2 = t \end{array} \right. \implies \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore E_{\lambda_1} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Let  $x_2 = t$

$$E_{\lambda_2} = \text{NulSp}(A - \lambda_2 I) \implies A - \lambda_2 I = A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} (4-2) & 2 \\ 2 & (4-2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[(A - \lambda_2 I) \mid \vec{0}] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(-1)R_1+R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(\frac{1}{2})R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Column 2 has no pivot

$$x_2 \text{ is a free variable} \implies \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -t \\ x_2 = t \end{array} \right. \implies \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore E_{\lambda_2} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Let  $x_2 = t$

(d) Find orthogonal eigenvectors  $\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2$  of  $A$ .

$$\mathbf{q}_1 = (\text{basis vector of } E_{\lambda_1}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{q}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_2 = (\text{basis vector of } E_{\lambda_2}) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{q}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(e) Find orthonormal eigenvectors  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2$  of  $A$ .

$$\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{q}_1}{\|\mathbf{q}_1\|_2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2+1^2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{q}_2}{\|\mathbf{q}_2\|_2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(-1)^2+1^2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

(f) Factor  $A$  as  $A = Q\Lambda Q^T$  where matrices  $Q$  is orthogonal and  $\Lambda$  is diagonal.

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} | & | \\ \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 \\ | & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}}_A = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}}_Q \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}_\Lambda \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}}_{Q^T}$$

**EX 7.3.5:** Let symmetric matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2\sqrt{3} \\ 2\sqrt{3} & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Find the characteristic polynomial  $p_A(\lambda)$ .

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} (2 - \lambda) & 2\sqrt{3} \\ 2\sqrt{3} & (6 - \lambda) \end{vmatrix} = (2 - \lambda)(6 - \lambda) - (2\sqrt{3})(2\sqrt{3}) = (12 - 8\lambda + \lambda^2) - 12 = \lambda^2 - 8\lambda \implies p_A(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - 8\lambda$$

(b) Find the eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2$  of  $A$ .

$$p_A(\lambda) = 0 \implies \lambda^2 - 8\lambda = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{FACTOR}} \lambda(\lambda - 8) = 0 \implies \lambda \in \{8, 0\} \implies \lambda_1 = 8, \lambda_2 = 0$$

(c) Find the eigenspaces  $E_{\lambda_1}, E_{\lambda_2}$  of  $A$ .

$$E_{\lambda_1} = \text{NulSp}(A - \lambda_1 I) \implies A - \lambda_1 I = A - 8I = \begin{bmatrix} (2-8) & 2\sqrt{3} \\ 2\sqrt{3} & (6-8) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 2\sqrt{3} \\ 2\sqrt{3} & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[(A - \lambda_1 I) \mid \vec{0}] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -6 & 2\sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 2\sqrt{3} & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -6 & 2\sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(-\frac{1}{6})R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1/\sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Column 2 has no pivot

$$x_2 \text{ is a free variable} \implies \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = t \\ x_2 = t\sqrt{3} \end{array} \right. \implies \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ t\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore E_{\lambda_1} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Let  $x_2 = t\sqrt{3}$

$$E_{\lambda_2} = \text{NulSp}(A - \lambda_2 I) \implies A - \lambda_2 I = A - 0 \cdot I = A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2\sqrt{3} \\ 2\sqrt{3} & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[(A - \lambda_2 I) \mid \vec{0}] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 2\sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 2\sqrt{3} & 6 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(-\sqrt{3})R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 2\sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(\frac{1}{2})R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Column 2 has no pivot

$$x_2 \text{ is a free variable} \implies \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -t\sqrt{3} \\ x_2 = t \end{array} \right. \implies \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -t\sqrt{3} \\ t \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore E_{\lambda_2} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Let  $x_2 = t$

(d) Find orthogonal eigenvectors  $\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2$  of  $A$ .

$$\mathbf{q}_1 = (\text{basis vector of } E_{\lambda_1}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{q}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_2 = (\text{basis vector of } E_{\lambda_2}) = \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{q}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(e) Find orthonormal eigenvectors  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2$  of  $A$ .

$$\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{q}_1}{\|\mathbf{q}_1\|_2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{q}_2}{\|\mathbf{q}_2\|_2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(-\sqrt{3})^2 + 1^2}} \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(f) Factor  $A$  as  $A = Q\Lambda Q^T$  where matrices  $Q$  is orthogonal and  $\Lambda$  is diagonal.

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} | & | \\ \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 \\ | & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2\sqrt{3} \\ 2\sqrt{3} & 6 \end{bmatrix}}_A = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}}_Q \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_\Lambda \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \\ -\sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}}_{Q^T}$$

**EX 7.3.6:** Let symmetric matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Find the characteristic polynomial  $p_A(\lambda)$ .

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} (2 - \lambda) & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & (2 - \lambda) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (0 - \lambda) \end{vmatrix} = (-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} (2 - \lambda) & 2 \\ 2 & (2 - \lambda) \end{vmatrix} = (-\lambda) [(2 - \lambda)^2 - (2)(2)] \implies p_A(\lambda) = \lambda^2(4 - \lambda)$$

(b) Find the eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2$  of  $A$ .

$$p_A(\lambda) = 0 \implies \lambda^2(4 - \lambda) = 0 \implies \lambda \in \{4, 0\} \implies \lambda_1 = 4, \lambda_2 = 0$$

(c) Find the eigenspaces  $E_{\lambda_1}, E_{\lambda_2}$  of  $A$ .

$$E_{\lambda_1} = \text{NulSp}(A - \lambda_1 I) \implies A - \lambda_1 I = A - 4I = \begin{bmatrix} (2 - 4) & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & (2 - 4) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (0 - 4) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[ (A - \lambda_1 I) \mid \vec{0} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} (-\frac{1}{2})R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \\ (-\frac{1}{4})R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \end{array}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Column 2 has no pivot  
 $x_2$  is a free variable  
 Let  $x_2 = t$

$$\implies \begin{cases} x_1 = t \\ x_2 = t \\ x_3 = 0 \end{cases} \implies \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ t \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore E_{\lambda_1} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$E_{\lambda_2} = \text{NulSp}(A - \lambda_2 I) \implies A - \lambda_2 I = A - 0 \cdot I = A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[ (A - \lambda_2 I) \mid \vec{0} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(-1)R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(\frac{1}{2})R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Columns 2 & 3 have no pivot  
 $x_2, x_3$  are free variables  
 Let  $x_2 = t, x_3 = s$   
 Then  $x_1 = -t$

$$\implies \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -t \\ t \\ s \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \therefore E_{\lambda_2} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(d) Find orthonormal eigenvectors  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{2,1}, \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{2,2}$  of  $A$ .

$$(\text{Normalize each basis vector of } E_{\lambda_1}, E_{\lambda_2}) \implies \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{2,1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{2,2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(e) Factor  $A$  as  $A = Q\Lambda Q^T$  where matrices  $Q$  is orthogonal and  $\Lambda$  is diagonal.

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{2,1} & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{2,2} \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_A = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_Q \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_\Lambda \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{Q^T}$$