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CHARACTERISTIC EQUATION:

The equation $|A - \lambda I| = 0$ is called the characteristic equation of the matrix A

Note:

1. Solving $|A - \lambda I| = 0$, we get n roots for λ and these roots are called characteristic roots or eigen values or latent values of the matrix A
2. Corresponding to each value of λ , the equation $AX = \lambda X$ has a non-zero solution vector X

If X_r be the non-zero vector satisfying $AX = \lambda X$, when $\lambda = \lambda_r$, X_r is said to be the latent vector or eigen vector of a matrix A corresponding to λ_r



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CHARACTERISTIC POLYNOMIAL:

The determinant $|A - \lambda I|$ when expanded will give a polynomial, which we call as characteristic polynomial of matrix A



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Working rule to find characteristic equation:

For a 3 x 3 matrix:

Method 1:

The characteristic equation is $|A - \lambda I| = 0$



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Method 2 :

Its characteristic equation can be written as $\lambda^3 - S_1\lambda^2 + S_2\lambda - S_3 = 0$ where

$S_1 =$ sum of the main diagonal elements,

$S_2 =$ Sum of the minors of the main diagonal elements ,

$S_3 =$ Determinant of $A = |A|$



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For a 2 x 2 matrix:

Method 1:

The characteristic equation is $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

Method 2:

Its characteristic equation can be written as $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2 = 0$ where
 $S_1 = \text{sum of the main diagonal elements}$, $S_2 = \text{Determinant of } A = |A|$



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Problems:

1. Find the characteristic equation of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution: Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Its characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2 = 0$ where $S_1 =$
sum of the main diagonal elements $= 1 + 2 = 3,$

$$S_2 = \text{Determinant of } A = |A| = 1(2) - 2(0) = 2$$

Therefore, the characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 = 0$



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2. Find the characteristic equation of $\begin{pmatrix} 8 & -6 & 2 \\ -6 & 7 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution: Its characteristic equation is $\lambda^3 - S_1\lambda^2 + S_2\lambda - S_3 = 0$, where

$S_1 = \text{sum of the main diagonal elements} = 8 + 7 + 3 = 18$,

$S_2 = \text{Sum of the minors of the main diagonal elements} = \begin{vmatrix} 7 & -4 \\ -4 & 3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 8 & -6 \\ -6 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 5 +$

$20 + 20 = 45$, $S_3 = \text{Determinant of } A = |A| = 8(5) + 6(-10) + 2(10) = 40 - 60 + 20 = 0$

Therefore, the characteristic equation is $\lambda^3 - 18\lambda^2 + 45\lambda = 0$



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3. Find the characteristic polynomial of $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$



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Solution: Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

The characteristic polynomial of A is $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2$ where $S_1 = \text{sum of the main diagonal elements}$
 $= 3 + 2 = 5$ and $S_2 = \text{Determinant of } A = |A| = 3(2) - 1(-1) = 7$

Therefore, the characteristic polynomial is $\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 7$



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CAYLEY-HAMILTON THEOREM:

Statement: Every square matrix satisfies its own characteristic equation

Uses of Cayley-Hamilton theorem:

- (1) To calculate the positive integral powers of A
- (2) To calculate the inverse of a square matrix A



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Problems:

1. Show that the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ satisfies its own characteristic equation

Solution: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2 = 0$ where
 $S_1 = \text{Sum of the main diagonal elements} = 1 + 1 = 2$

$$S_2 = |A| = 1 - (-4) = 5$$

The characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 5 = 0$

To prove $A^2 - 2A + 5I = 0$

$$A^2 = A(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -4 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 - 2A + 5I = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -4 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Therefore, the given matrix satisfies its own characteristic equation



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2. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ write A^2 in terms of A and I , using Cayley – Hamilton theorem

Solution: Cayley-Hamilton theorem states that every square matrix satisfies its own characteristic equation.

The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2 = 0$ where

$S_1 =$ Sum of the main diagonal elements $= 6$

$S_2 = |A| = 5$



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Therefore, the characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 5 = 0$

By Cayley-Hamilton theorem, $A^2 - 6A + 5I = 0$

i.e., $A^2 = 6A - 5I$



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3. Verify Cayley-Hamilton theorem, find A^4 and A^{-1} when $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution: The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^3 - S_1\lambda^2 + S_2\lambda - S_3 = 0$ where

$$S_1 = \text{Sum of the main diagonal elements} = 2 + 2 + 2 = 6$$

$$S_2 = \text{Sum of the minors of the main diagonal elements} = 3 + 2 + 3 = 8$$

$$S_3 = |A| = 2(4 - 1) + 1(-2 + 1) + 2(1 - 2) = 2(3) - 1 - 2 = 3$$

Therefore, the characteristic equation is $\lambda^3 - 6\lambda^2 + 8\lambda - 3 = 0$



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To prove that: $A^3 - 6A^2 + 8A - 3I = 0$ ----- (1)

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -6 & 9 \\ -5 & 6 & -6 \\ 5 & -5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = A^2(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -6 & 9 \\ -5 & 6 & -6 \\ 5 & -5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 29 & -28 & 38 \\ -22 & 23 & -28 \\ 22 & -22 & 29 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A^3 - 6A^2 + 8A - 3I &= \begin{bmatrix} 29 & -28 & 38 \\ -22 & 23 & -28 \\ 22 & -22 & 29 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 42 & -36 & 54 \\ -30 & 36 & -36 \\ 30 & -30 & 42 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 16 & -8 & 16 \\ -8 & 16 & -8 \\ 8 & -8 & 16 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \end{aligned}$$



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To find A^4 :

$$(1) \Rightarrow A^3 - 6A^2 + 8A - 3I = 0 \Rightarrow A^3 = 6A^2 - 8A + 3I \text{ ----- (2)}$$

$$\text{Multiply by } A \text{ on both sides, } A^4 = 6A^3 - 8A^2 + 3A = 6(6A^2 - 8A + 3I) - 8A^2 + 3A$$

$$\text{Therefore, } A^4 = 36A^2 - 48A + 18I - 8A^2 + 3A = 28A^2 - 45A + 18I$$

$$\text{Hence, } A^4 = 28 \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -6 & 9 \\ -5 & 6 & -6 \\ 5 & -5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} - 45 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + 18 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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$$\begin{bmatrix} 124 & -123 & 162 \\ -95 & 96 & -123 \\ 95 & -95 & 124 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 196 & -168 & 252 \\ -140 & 168 & -168 \\ 140 & -140 & 196 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 90 & -45 & 90 \\ -45 & 90 & -45 \\ 45 & -45 & 90 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 18 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 18 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 18 \end{bmatrix} =$$



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To find A^{-1} :

Multiplying (1) by A^{-1} , $A^2 - 6A + 8I - 3A^{-1} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 3A^{-1} = A^2 - 6A + 8I$$

$$\Rightarrow 3A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -6 & 9 \\ -5 & 6 & -6 \\ 5 & -5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} - 6 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + 8 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -6 & 9 \\ -5 & 6 & -6 \\ 5 & -5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -12 & 6 & -12 \\ 6 & -12 & 6 \\ -6 & 6 & -12 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & -3 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & -3 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$



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4. Verify that $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ satisfies its own characteristic equation and hence find A^4

Solution: Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$. The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2 = 0$ where $S_1 =$
Sum of the main diagonal elements = 0

$$S_2 = |A| = -1 - 4 = -5$$

Therefore, the characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - 0\lambda - 5 = 0$ i.e., $\lambda^2 - 5 = 0$

To prove: $A^2 - 5I = 0$ ----- (1)

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+4 & 2-2 \\ 2-2 & 4+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 - 5I = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$



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$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+4 & 2-2 \\ 2-2 & 4+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 - 5I = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

To find A^4 :

From (1), we get, $A^2 - 5I = 0 \Rightarrow A^2 = 5I$

Multiplying by A^2 on both sides, we get, $A^4 = A^2(5I) = 5A^2 = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 0 \\ 0 & 25 \end{bmatrix}$



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5. Find A^{-1} if $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$, using Cayley-Hamilton theorem



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Solution: The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^3 - S_1\lambda^2 + S_2\lambda - S_3 = 0$ where

$$S_1 = \text{Sum of the main diagonal elements} = 1 + 2 - 1 = 2$$

$$S_2 = \text{Sum of the minors of the main diagonal elements} = (-2 + 1) + (-1 - 8) + (2 + 3) \\ = -1 - 9 + 5 = -5$$

$$S_3 = |A| = 1(-2 + 1) + 1(-3 + 2) + 4(3 - 4) = -1 - 1 - 4 = -6$$

The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^3 - 2\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 6 = 0$

By Cayley- Hamilton theorem, $A^3 - 2A^2 - 5A + 6I = 0$ ----- (1)



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To find A^{-1} :

Multiplying (1) by A^{-1} , we get, $A^2 - 2A - 5A^{-1}A + 6A^{-1}I = 0 \Rightarrow A^2 - 2A - 5I + 6A^{-1} = 0$

$$6A^{-1} = -A^2 + 2A + 5I \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{6}(-A^2 + 2A + 5I) \text{ ----- (2)}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-3+8 & -1-2+4 & 4+1-4 \\ 3+6-2 & -3+4-1 & 12-2+1 \\ 2+3-2 & -2+2-1 & 8-1+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & 1 \\ 7 & 0 & 11 \\ 3 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-A^2 + 2A + 5I = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -1 & -1 \\ -7 & 0 & -11 \\ -3 & 1 & -8 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 8 \\ 6 & 4 & -2 \\ 4 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 7 \\ -1 & 9 & -13 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{From (2), } A^{-1} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 7 \\ -1 & 9 & -13 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$



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6. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, find A^n in terms of A

Solution: The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2 = 0$ where
 $S_1 = \text{Sum of the main diagonal elements} = 1 + 2 = 3$

$$S_2 = |A| = 2 - 0 = 2$$

The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 = 0$ i.e., $\lambda = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(1)(2)}}{2(1)} = \frac{3 \pm 1}{2} = 2, 1$



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To find A^n :

When λ^n is divided by $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2$, let the quotient be $Q(\lambda)$ and the remainder be $a\lambda + b$

$$\lambda^n = (\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2)Q(\lambda) + a\lambda + b \text{ ----- (1)}$$

$$\text{When } \lambda = 1, 1^n = a + b$$

$$\text{When } \lambda = 2, 2^n = 2a + b$$

$$2a + b = 2^n \text{ ----- (2)}$$



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$$a + b = 1^n \text{ ----- (3)}$$

Solving (2) and (3), we get, (2) - (3) $\Rightarrow a = 2^n - 1^n$

$$(2) - 2 \times (3) \Rightarrow b = -2^n + 2(1)^n$$

$$\text{i.e., } a = 2^n - 1^n$$

$$b = 2(1)^n - 2^n$$

Since $A^2 - 3A + 2I = 0$ by Cayley-Hamilton theorem, (1) $\Rightarrow A^n = aA + bI$

$$A^n = (2^n - 1^n) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + [2(1)^n - 2^n] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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7. Use Cayley-Hamilton theorem for the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ to express as a linear polynomial in A (i) $A^5 - 4A^4 - 7A^3 + 11A^2 - A - 10I$ (ii) $A^4 - 4A^3 - 5A^2 + A + 2I$

Solution: Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$. The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2 = 0$ where $S_1 = \text{Sum of the main diagonal elements} = 1 + 3 = 4$

$$S_2 = |A| = 3 - 8 = -5$$

The characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 5 = 0$

By Cayley-Hamilton theorem, we get, $A^2 - 4A - 5I = 0$ ----- (1)



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$$\begin{array}{r} \lambda^3 - 2\lambda + 3 \\ \hline \lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 5\lambda^5 - 4\lambda^4 - 7\lambda^3 + 11\lambda^2 - \lambda - 10 \\ \hline \lambda^5 - 4\lambda^4 - 5\lambda^3 \\ \hline -2\lambda^3 + 11\lambda^2 - \lambda \\ \hline 3\lambda^2 - 11\lambda - 10 \\ \hline (-) 3\lambda^2 - 12\lambda - 15 \\ \hline \lambda + 5 \end{array}$$

(-) $-2\lambda^3 + 8\lambda^2 + 10\lambda$



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$$\begin{aligned}A^5 - 4A^4 - 7A^3 + 11A^2 - A - 10I &= (A^2 - 4A - 5I)(A^3 - 2A + 3I) + A + 5I = 0 + A + 5I \\ &= A + 5I \text{ (by (1)) which is a linear polynomial in } A\end{aligned}$$



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(i)

$$\lambda^2$$
$$\lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 5\lambda^4 - 4\lambda^3 - 5\lambda^2 + \lambda + 2$$

(-)

$\lambda + 2$

$\lambda^4 - 4\lambda^3 - 5\lambda^2$

$A^4 - 4A^3 - 5A^2 + A + 2I = A^2(A^2 - 4A - 5I) + A + 2I = 0 + A + 2I = A + 2I$ (by (1)) which is a linear polynomial in A



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8. Using Cayley-Hamilton theorem, find A^{-1} when $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution: The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^3 - S_1\lambda^2 + S_2\lambda - S_3 = 0$ where

$$S_1 = \text{Sum of the main diagonal elements} = 1 + 1 + 1 = 3$$

$$S_2 = \text{Sum of the minors of the main diagonal elements} = (1-1) + (1-3) + (1-0) \\ = 0 - 2 + 1 = -1$$

$$S_3 = |A| = 1(1-1) + 0(2+1) + 3(-2-1) = 1(0) + 0 - 9 = -9$$

The characteristic equation is $\lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 - \lambda + 9 = 0$

By Cayley-Hamilton theorem, $A^3 - 3A^2 - A + 9I = 0$



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Pre-multiplying by A^{-1} , we get, $A^2 - 3A - I + 9A^{-1} = 0 \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{9}(-A^2 + 3A + I)$

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

$$-A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 3 & -6 \\ -3 & -2 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}; 3A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 9 \\ 6 & 3 & -3 \\ 3 & -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}; I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{9} \left(\begin{bmatrix} -4 & 3 & -6 \\ -3 & -2 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 9 \\ 6 & 3 & -3 \\ 3 & -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & -7 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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9. Verify Cayley-Hamilton theorem for the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution: Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

The Characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^3 - S_1\lambda^2 + S_2\lambda - S_3 = 0$ where

$S_1 =$ Sum of the main diagonal elements $= 1+2+1 = 4$

$S_2 =$ Sum of the minors of the main diagonal elements $= (2 - 6) + (1 - 7) + (2 - 12)$
 $= -4 - 6 - 10 = -20$



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$$S_3 = |A| = 1(2 - 6) - 3(4 - 3) + 7(8 - 2) = -4 - 3 + 42 = 35$$

The characteristic equation is $\lambda^3 - 4\lambda^2 - 20\lambda - 35 = 0$

To prove that: $A^3 - 4A^2 - 20A - 35I = 0$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+12+7 & 3+6+14 & 7+9+7 \\ 4+8+3 & 12+4+6 & 28+6+3 \\ 1+8+1 & 3+4+2 & 7+6+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 23 & 23 \\ 15 & 22 & 37 \\ 10 & 9 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = A^2A = \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 23 & 23 \\ 15 & 22 & 37 \\ 10 & 9 & 14 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 20+92+23 & 60+46+46 & 140+69+23 \\ 15+88+37 & 45+44+74 & 105+66+37 \\ 10+36+14 & 30+18+28 & 70+27+14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 135 & 152 & 232 \\ 140 & 163 & 208 \\ 60 & 76 & 111 \end{bmatrix}$$



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$$\begin{aligned}A^3 - 4A^2 - 20A - 35I &= \begin{bmatrix} 135 & 152 & 232 \\ 140 & 163 & 208 \\ 60 & 76 & 111 \end{bmatrix} - 4 \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 23 & 23 \\ 15 & 22 & 37 \\ 10 & 9 & 14 \end{bmatrix} - 20 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 35 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 135 & 152 & 232 \\ 140 & 163 & 208 \\ 60 & 76 & 111 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 80 & 92 & 92 \\ 60 & 88 & 148 \\ 40 & 36 & 56 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 60 & 140 \\ 80 & 40 & 60 \\ 20 & 40 & 20 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 35 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 35 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 35 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, Cayley-Hamilton theorem is verified.



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10. Verify Cayley-Hamilton theorem for the matrix (i) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ (ii) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution: (i) Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2 = 0$ where

$$S_1 = \text{Sum of the main diagonal elements} = 3 + 5 = 8$$

$$S_2 = |A| = 15 - 1 = 14$$

The characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 14 = 0$

To prove that: $A^2 - 8A + 14I = 0$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9+1 & -3-5 \\ -3-5 & 1+25 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & -8 \\ -8 & 26 \end{bmatrix}$$



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$$8A = 8 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 24 & -8 \\ -8 & 40 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$14I = 14 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 0 \\ 0 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 - 8A + 14I = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & -8 \\ -8 & 26 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 24 & -8 \\ -8 & 40 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 0 \\ 0 & 14 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Hence Cayley-Hamilton theorem is verified.



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(ii) Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

The characteristic equation of A is $\lambda^2 - S_1\lambda + S_2 = 0$ where

$$S_1 = \text{Sum of the main diagonal elements} = 1 + 3 = 4$$

$$S_2 = |A| = 3 - 8 = -5$$

The characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 5 = 0$

To prove that: $A^2 - 4A - 5I = 0$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+8 & 4+12 \\ 2+6 & 8+9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 16 \\ 8 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$4A = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 16 \\ 8 & 12 \end{bmatrix}; 5I = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 - 4A - 5I = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 16 \\ 8 & 17 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 16 \\ 8 & 12 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Hence Cayley-Hamilton theorem is verified.