

Quiz 7

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1. A matrix A is called diagonalizable if there are an invertible matrix S and a diagonal matrix D such that

$$A = SDS^{-1}$$

2. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a linear transformation defined by a matrix

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

(a) Find the characteristic polynomial of A .

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_A(\lambda) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} -4-\lambda & -3 & 0 \\ 6 & 5-\lambda & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 2-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^{3+3} \cdot (2-\lambda) \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} -4-\lambda & -3 \\ 6 & 5-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (2-\lambda) \left((-4-\lambda)(5-\lambda) + 18 \right) = (2-\lambda) (\lambda^2 - \lambda - 2) = \\ &= (2-\lambda) (\lambda - 2) (\lambda + 1) = -(\lambda - 2)^2 (\lambda + 1) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Find all eigenvalues of T and their algebraic multiplicities.

The eigenvalues are $\lambda_1 = 2$, $\lambda_2 = -1$.
Their corresponding algebraic multiplicities are 2 and 1.