

Solution to Practice 5d

B3(a) The first thing we need to do is find the eigenvalues. To do that, we need to factor the characteristic polynomial:

$$\begin{aligned} C(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) &= \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &= \det\begin{bmatrix} 3 - \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 7 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (3 - \lambda)(7 - \lambda) \end{aligned}$$

And so we see that the eigenvalues are $\lambda = 3, 7$. Moreover, we see that the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = 3$ is 1, and the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = 7$ is 1. To find their geometric multiplicity, we need to find their eigenspaces.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = 3$, we need to find the general solution to $(A - 3I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A - 3I$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3-3 & 0 \\ 0 & 7-3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(1/7)R_2} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \uparrow R_2} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the equation $v_2 = 0$. Replacing the variable v_1 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = 3$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = 3$ is 1.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = 7$, we need to find the general solution to $(A - 7I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A - 7I$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3-7 & 0 \\ 0 & 7-7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(-1/4)R_1} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the equation $v_1 = 0$. Replacing the variable v_2 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = 7$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = 7$ is 1.

B3(b) The first thing we need to do is find the eigenvalues. To do that, we need to factor the characteristic polynomial:

$$\begin{aligned} C(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) &= \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} -3 & -3 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &= \det\begin{bmatrix} -3 - \lambda & -3 \\ 0 & -3 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (-3 - \lambda)^2 \end{aligned}$$

And so we see that the only eigenvalue is $\lambda = -3$, and that the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = -3$ is 2. To find their geometric multiplicity, we need to find the eigenspace. To do this, we need to find the general solution to $(A + 3I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A + 3I$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 + 3 & -3 \\ 0 & -3 + 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = (-1/3)R_1 \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the equation $v_2 = 0$. Replacing the variable v_1 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = -3$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = -3$ is 1.

B3(c) The first thing we need to do is find the eigenvalues. To do that, we need to factor the characteristic polynomial:

$$\begin{aligned} C(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) &= \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 7 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &= \det\begin{bmatrix} 7 - \lambda & 3 \\ 2 & 2 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (7 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda) - (2)(3) \\ &= 14 - 7\lambda - 2\lambda + \lambda^2 - 6 = 8 - 9\lambda + \lambda^2 \\ &= (1 - \lambda)(8 - \lambda) \end{aligned}$$

And so we see that the eigenvalues are $\lambda = 1, 8$. Moreover, we see that the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = 1$ is 1, and the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = 8$ is 1. To find their geometric multiplicity, we need to find their eigenspaces.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = 1$, we need to find the general solution to $(A - I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A - I$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 7-1 & 3 \\ 2 & 2-1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(1/6)R_1} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1/2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - 2R_1} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the equation $v_1 + (1/2)v_2 = 0$, or $v_1 = (-1/2)v_2$. Replacing the variable v_2 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (-1/2)s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = 1$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = 1$ is 1.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = 8$, we need to find the general solution to $(A - I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A - I$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 7-8 & 3 \\ 2 & 2-8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-R_1} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 2 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - 2R_1} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the equation $v_1 - 3v_2 = 0$, or $v_1 = 3v_2$. Replacing the variable v_2 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = 8$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = 8$ is 1.

B3(d) The first thing we need to do is find the eigenvalues. To do that, we need to factor the characteristic polynomial:

$$\begin{aligned} C(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) &= \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -8 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \det \begin{bmatrix} -4-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -8-\lambda & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{expanding along the first row}) \\ &= (-4-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} -8-\lambda & 4 \\ 5 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (-4-\lambda)((-8-\lambda)(-\lambda) - 20) = (-4-\lambda)(-20 + 8\lambda + \lambda^2) \\ &= (-4-\lambda)(2-\lambda)(-10-\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

And so we see that the eigenvalues are $\lambda = 2, -4, -10$. Moreover, we see that

the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = 2$ is 1, the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = -4$ is 1, and the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = -10$ is 1. To find their geometric multiplicity, we need to find their eigenspaces.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = 2$, we need to find the general solution to $(A - 2I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A - 2I$:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} -4-2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -8-2 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -10 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(-1/6)R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -10 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 + 4R_1 \end{matrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -10 & 4 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{(-1/10)R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 5R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the system

$$v_1 = 0, \quad v_2 - (2/5)v_3 = 0 \text{ (or } v_2 = (2/5)v_3)$$

Replacing the variable v_3 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2/5 \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2/5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2/5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = 2$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = 2$ is 1.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = -4$, we need to find the general solution to $(A + 4I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A + 4I$:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} -4+4 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -8+4 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -4 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \updownarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \updownarrow R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{(1/2)R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ -4 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 + 4R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 + 2R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 16 \\ 0 & 5 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{(-1/5)R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 16 \\ 0 & 1 & 12/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 - R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 16/5 \\ 0 & 1 & 12/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the system

$$v_1 - 6v_3 = 0 \text{ (or } v_1 = 6v_3), \quad v_2 - 4v_3 = 0 \text{ (or } v_2 = 4v_3)$$

Replacing the variable v_3 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6s \\ 4s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = -4$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = -4$ is 1.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = -10$, we need to find the general solution to $(A + 10I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A + 10I$:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} -4+10 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -8+10 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & 10 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(1/6)R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 + 4R_1 \end{matrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 5 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{(1/2)R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 5R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the system

$$v_1 = 0, \quad v_2 + 2v_3 = 0 \text{ (or } v_2 = -2v_3)$$

Replacing the variable v_3 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = -10$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = -10$ is 1.

B3(e) The first thing we need to do is find the eigenvalues. To do that, we need to factor the characteristic polynomial:

$$\begin{aligned}
C(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) &= \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) \\
&= \begin{vmatrix} 4-\lambda & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} \quad (\text{expanding along the first row}) \\
&= (4-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 4-\lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4-\lambda \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= (4-\lambda)((4-\lambda)(4-\lambda) - 4) - 2(2(4-\lambda) - 4) + 2(4 - 2(4-\lambda)) \\
&= (4-\lambda)(16 - 8\lambda + \lambda^2 - 4) - 2(8 - 2\lambda - 4) + 2(4 - 8 + 2\lambda) \\
&= 48 - 32\lambda + 4\lambda^2 - 12\lambda + 8\lambda^2 - \lambda^3 - 8 + 4\lambda - 8 + 4\lambda \\
&= 32 - 36\lambda + 12\lambda^2 - \lambda^3 \\
&= (2-\lambda)^2(8-\lambda)
\end{aligned}$$

And so we see that the eigenvalues are $\lambda = 2, 8$. Moreover, we see that the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = 2$ is 2 and the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = 8$ is 1. To find their geometric multiplicity, we need to find their eigenspaces.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = 2$, we need to find the general solution to $(A - 2I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A - 2I$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\begin{bmatrix} 4-2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4-2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4-2 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 - R_1 \end{matrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1/2)R_1 \\
&\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the equation $v_1 + v_2 + v_3 = 0$, or $v_1 = -v_2 - v_3$. Replacing the variable v_2 with the parameter s and the variable v_3 with the parameter t , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -s-t \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = 2$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only two basis vectors, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = 2$ is 2.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = 8$, we need to find the general solution to $(A - 8I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A - 8I$:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \begin{bmatrix} 4-8 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4-8 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4-8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -4 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 \uparrow R_3 \quad \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & 2 \\ -4 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1/2)R_1 \\
& \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & -4 & 2 \\ -4 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 + 4R_1 \end{matrix} \quad \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -6 & 6 \\ 0 & 6 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \quad (-1/6)R_2 \\
& \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 6 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} R_1 - R_2 \\ R_3 - 6R_2 \end{matrix} \quad \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the system

$$v_1 - v_3 = 0 \text{ (or } v_1 = v_3), \quad v_2 - v_3 = 0 \text{ (or } v_2 = v_3)$$

Replacing the variable v_3 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s \\ s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = 8$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = 8$ is 1.

B3(f) The first thing we need to do is find the eigenvalues. To do that, we need to factor the characteristic polynomial:

$$\begin{aligned}
C(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I) &= \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} -9 & -7 & 7 \\ -9 & -7 & 2 \\ 8 & -8 & -3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) \\
&= \begin{vmatrix} -9-\lambda & -7 & 7 \\ -9 & -7-\lambda & 2 \\ 8 & -8 & -3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} \\
&\quad \text{(expanding along the first row)} \\
&= (-9-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} -7-\lambda & 2 \\ -8 & -3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} + 7 \begin{vmatrix} -9 & 2 \\ 8 & -3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} \\
&\quad + 7 \begin{vmatrix} -9 & -7-\lambda \\ 8 & -8 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= (-9-\lambda)((-7-\lambda)(-3-\lambda) + 16) + 7(-9(-3-\lambda) - 16) \\
&\quad + 7(72 - 8(-7-\lambda)) \\
&= (-9-\lambda)(21 + 7\lambda + 3\lambda + \lambda^2 + 16) + 7(27 + 9\lambda - 16) \\
&\quad + 7(72 + 56 + 8\lambda) \\
&= (-9-\lambda)(37 + 10\lambda + \lambda^2) + 7(11 + 9\lambda) + 7(128 + 8\lambda) \\
&= -333 - 90\lambda - 9\lambda^2 - 37\lambda - 10\lambda^2 - \lambda^3 + 77 + 63\lambda + 896 + 56\lambda \\
&= 640 - 8\lambda - 19\lambda^2 - \lambda^3 \\
&= (5-\lambda)(-8-\lambda)(-16-\lambda)
\end{aligned}$$

And so we see that the eigenvalues are $\lambda = 5, -8, -16$. Moreover, we see that the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = 5$ is 1, the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = -8$ is 1, and the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda = -16$ is 1. To find their geometric multiplicity, we need to find their eigenspaces.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = 5$, we need to find the general solution to $(A - 5I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A - 5I$:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\begin{bmatrix} -9-5 & -7 & 7 \\ -9 & -7-5 & 2 \\ 8 & -8 & -3-5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -14 & -7 & 7 \\ -9 & -12 & 2 \\ 8 & -8 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 \uparrow R_3 \\
&\sim \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -8 & -8 \\ -9 & -12 & 2 \\ 14 & -7 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1/8)R_1 \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -9 & -12 & 2 \\ 14 & -7 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 + 9R_1 \\ R_3 + 14R_1 \end{array} \\
&\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -21 & -7 \\ 0 & -21 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (-1/21)R_2 \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/3 \\ 0 & -21 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 + 21R_2 \end{array} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2/3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the system

$$v_1 - (2/3)v_3 = 0 \quad (\text{or } v_1 = (2/3)v_3), \quad v_2 + (1/3)v_3 = 0 \quad (\text{or } v_2 = (-1/3)v_3)$$

Replacing the variable v_3 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (2/3)s \\ (-1/3)s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = 5$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = 5$ is 1.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = -8$, we need to find the general solution to $(A + 8I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A + 8I$:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} -9+8 & -7 & 7 \\ -9 & -7+8 & 2 \\ 8 & -8 & -3+8 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -7 & 7 \\ -9 & 1 & 2 \\ 8 & -8 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_2 - 9R_1 \\ R_3 + 8R_1 \end{array} \\ \sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -7 & 7 \\ 0 & 64 & -61 \\ 0 & -64 & 61 \end{bmatrix} (1/64)R_2 &\sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -7 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & -61/64 \\ 0 & -64 & 61 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_1 + 7R_2 \\ R_3 + 64R_2 \end{array} \sim \\ \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 21/64 \\ 0 & 1 & -61/64 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the system

$$-v_1 + (21/64)v_3 = 0 \text{ (or } v_1 = (21/64)v_3), \quad v_2 - (61/64)v_3 = 0 \text{ (or } v_2 = (61/64)v_3)$$

Replacing the variable v_3 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (21/64)s \\ (61/64)s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 21/64 \\ 61/64 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 21/64 \\ 61/64 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 61 \\ 64 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = -8$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 61 \\ 64 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = -8$ is 1.

To find the eigenspace for $\lambda = -16$, we need to find the general solution to $(A + 16I)\vec{v} = \vec{0}$, which we do by row reducing $A + 16I$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -9+16 & -7 & 7 \\ -9 & -7+16 & 2 \\ 8 & -8 & -3+16 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -7 & 7 \\ -9 & 9 & 2 \\ 8 & -8 & 13 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} (1/7)R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & R_2 + 9R_1 \\ -9 & 9 & 2 & R_3 - 8R_1 \\ 8 & -8 & 13 & \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & \\ 0 & 0 & 11 & (1/11)R_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & \end{array} \right] \\
&\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & R_1 - R_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & R_3 - 5R_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \end{array} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

And so we see that our system is equivalent to the system

$$v_1 - v_2 = 0 \text{ (or } v_1 = v_2), \quad v_3 = 0$$

Replacing the variable v_2 with the parameter s , we see that the general solution is

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s \\ s \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, the eigenspace for $\lambda = -16$ is $\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. As the eigenspace has only one basis vector, the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda = -16$ is 1.