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Thus $\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{1}}=0$. This contradicts that $v_{p+1}$ is an eigenvector.

Therefore, $\left\{\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{1}}, \ldots, \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{r}}\right\}$ is a linearly independent set.

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(a) Find the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of $A$
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