

Solution (#1757) Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that $(A - I)^4 = 0$ and so by #1750 we have

$$e^{A-I} = I + (A - I) + \frac{1}{2!}(A - I)^2 + \frac{1}{3!}(A - I)^3.$$

Now

$$A - I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad (A - I)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad (A - I)^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

so that

$$e^{A-I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & \frac{5}{6} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -\frac{5}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally we have $e^A = e^{I+(A-I)} = e^I e^{A-I} = (eI) e^{A-I}$ and so

$$e^A = e \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & \frac{5}{6} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -\frac{5}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We can write $B = \text{diag}(2I_1, C)$ where C is a 3×3 matrix such that $(C - I_3)^3 = 0$. So by #1750 again we have

$$e^{C-I} = I + (C - I) + \frac{1}{2!}(C - I)^2.$$

Now

$$C - I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad (C - I)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

so that

$$e^{C-I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally by #1744(ii) and as $e^C = e^I e^{C-I} = e e^{C-I}$ we have

$$e^B = \begin{pmatrix} e^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e & 2e & 2e \\ 0 & 0 & e & 3e \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e \end{pmatrix}.$$