

Lecture 15

Recall: $T: V \rightarrow V$, $F = \mathbb{C}$.

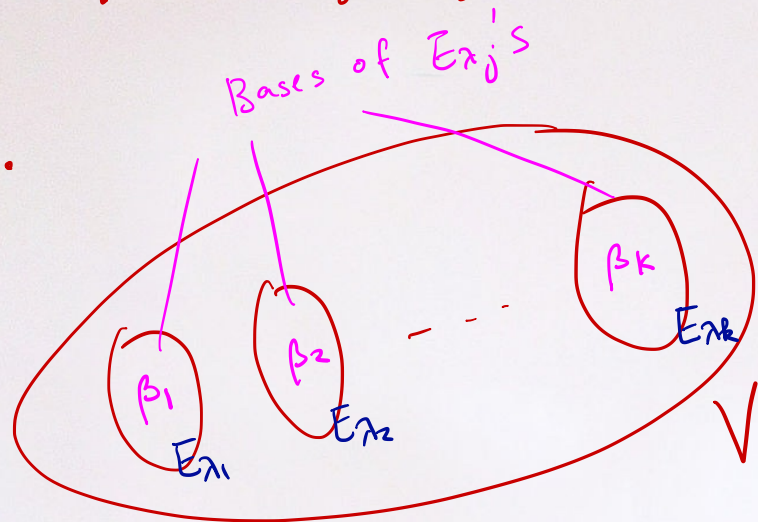
Char poly of T : $f_T(t) = (-1)^n (t - \lambda_1)^{n_1} (t - \lambda_2)^{n_2} \dots (t - \lambda_k)^{n_k}$

$n_j =$ algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda_j = \mu_T(\lambda_j)$

$$\dim(\text{Eigenspace of } \lambda_j) = \dim(N(T - \lambda_j I_V)) = \dim(E_{\lambda_j})$$

$$\text{Geometric multiplicity} = \gamma_T(\lambda_j)$$

- T is diagonalizable iff $\mu_T(\lambda_j) = \gamma_T(\lambda_j)$
for $j=1, 2, \dots, k$



Then: $\beta = \beta_1 \cup \beta_2 \cup \dots \cup \beta_k$ is a basis of eigenvectors
for V .

Theorem: Let T be a linear operator on a finite dimensional vector space V such that the characteristic polynomial splits. Let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ be distinct eigenvalues of T .

Then: (a) T is diagonalizable iff: $\mu_T(\lambda_i) = \gamma_T(\lambda_i)$
for $i=1, 2, \dots, k$

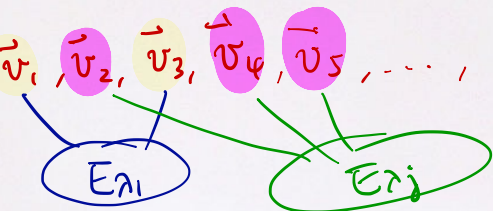
(b) If T is diagonalizable and β_i is an ordered basis for E_{λ_i} for each i , then $\beta := \beta_1 \cup \beta_2 \cup \dots \cup \beta_k$ is an ordered basis for V consisting of eigenvectors.

(so that $[T]_{\beta}$ is a diagonal matrix)

Proof: Write $n = \dim(V)$, and $m_i = M_T(\lambda_i)$ and $d_i = \chi_T(\lambda_i)$ for all i . $\dim(E_{\lambda_i})$

Suppose T is diagonalizable and β is a basis for V consisting of eigenvectors of T .

(e.g. $\beta = \{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4, \vec{v}_5, \dots, \vec{v}_n \}$)



For each i , let $\beta_i = \beta \cap E_{\lambda_i}$ and $n_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \# \beta_i$

Then: $n_i \leq d_i = \dim(E_{\lambda_i})$ (': β_i is lin. independent)

Also, $d_i \leq m_i$ (last lecture)

So, we have $n_i \leq d_i \leq m_i$ for all i .

$$\therefore n = \sum_{i=1}^k n_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^k d_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^k m_i = n = \dim(V)$$

$$\therefore \sum_{i=1}^k d_i - \sum_{i=1}^k n_i = 0 \Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^k (d_i - n_i) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow d_i = n_i \text{ for all } i.$$

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$$\Rightarrow d_i = m_i \text{ for all } i.$$

$$\therefore n_i = \overset{\text{dim}(E_{\alpha_i})}{d_i} = m_i \text{ for all } i$$

(So, β_i is a basis of E_{α_i})

Conversely, suppose $m_i = d_i \quad \forall i$.

For each i , let β_i be the ordered basis of E_{λ_i}

and let $\beta = \beta_1 \cup \beta_2 \cup \dots \cup \beta_k$.

Then: from previous proposition, we know β is linearly independent.

$$\text{But } \# \beta = \sum_{i=1}^k d_i = \sum_{i=1}^k m_i = n = \dim(V)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} |\beta_1| + |\beta_2| + \dots + |\beta_k| & & \\ \text{"} & \text{"} & \text{"} \\ \dim(E_{\lambda_1}) & \dim(E_{\lambda_2}) & \dim(E_{\lambda_k}) \\ \text{"} & \text{"} & \text{"} \\ d_1 & d_2 & d_k \end{array}$$

$\therefore \beta$ is a basis for V of eigenvectors

$\therefore T$ is diagonalizable.

Example: Let $T: P_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_2(\mathbb{R})$ be defined by:

$$T(f(x)) = f(x) + (x+1)f'(x)$$

Then: $A := [T]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

where $\beta = \{1, x, x^2\}$ = standard ordered basis for $P_2(\mathbb{R})$.

\therefore the char. poly:

$$\det(A - tI_3) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-t & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-t & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3-t \end{pmatrix} = (1-t)^1 (2-t)^1 (3-t)^1$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 1 &\leq \gamma_T(1) \leq \mu_T(1) = 1 \\ 1 &\leq \gamma_T(2) \leq \mu_T(2) = 1 \\ 1 &\leq \gamma_T(3) \leq \mu_T(3) = 1 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\gamma_T(1) = \mu_T(1)$$

$$\gamma_T(2) = \mu_T(2)$$

$$\gamma_T(3) = \mu_T(3)$$

\Rightarrow Diagonalizable

$$\cancel{E_1} N(A - 1I_3) = N \left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right) = \left\{ a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$$

$[T - 1I_V]_{\beta}$

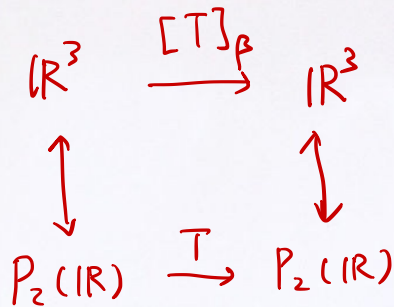
$$\Rightarrow \bar{E}_1 = N(T - 1I_V) = \{ a \cdot 1 : a \in \mathbb{R} \} \subseteq P_2(\mathbb{R})$$

Similarly, $N(A - 2I_3) = N \left(\begin{array}{ccc} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) = \left\{ a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

$$E_2 = \{ a(1+x) : a \in \mathbb{R} \} \subseteq P_2(\mathbb{R})$$

$$E_3 = \left\{ a \underbrace{(1+2x+x^2)}_{(1+x)^2} : a \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$\beta = \{1, 1+x, (1+x)^2\}$ is a basis of eigenvectors for V .



Example: For $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \in M_{3 \times 3}(\mathbb{R})$

$f_A(t) = -(t-4)(t-3)^2$ splits over \mathbb{R} .

$$\gamma_T(4) = \mu_T(4) = 1$$

But $\text{rank}(A - 3I) = \text{rank}(\overset{B}{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}) = 2$

$$\underbrace{(\text{Rank}(B))}_2 + \underbrace{(\text{Nullity}(B))}_1 = 3$$

$$\gamma_A(3) = 1 \neq \mu_A(3) = 2$$

$\therefore T$ is not diagonalizable.

Example: Consider $T: P_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_2(\mathbb{R})$ defined by:

$$T(f(x)) = f(1) + f'(0)x + (f'(0) + f''(0))x^2$$

Let $\beta = \{1, x, x^2\}$.

$$[T]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow f_T(t) = -(t-1)^2(t-2)$$

splits over \mathbb{R} .

and the eigenvalues of T are 1 and 2.

$$\therefore \gamma_T(2) = \mu_T(2) = 1.$$

$$\text{Rank}([T]_{\beta} - I) = \text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \Rightarrow \gamma_T(1) = 2 = \mu_T(1)$$

$\therefore T$ is diagonalizable.

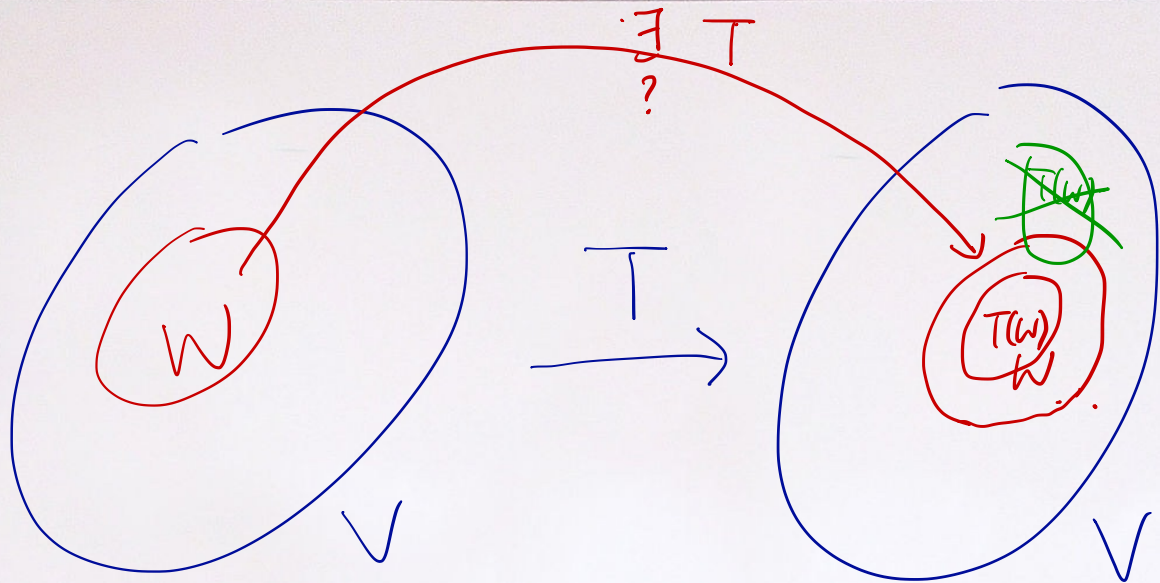
For $[T]_{\beta}$, the eigenspaces:

$$E_1 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x_2 + x_3 = 0 \right\} = \text{span} \left\{ \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Basis}} \right\}$$

$$E_2 = \text{span} \left\{ \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Basis}} \right\}$$

$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis of eigenvectors (of $[T]_{\beta}$) for \mathbb{R}^3 .

$\therefore \{1, x-x^2, 1+x^2\}$ is a basis of eigenvectors (of T) for $P_2(\mathbb{R})$.



$$T(W) = \{ T(\vec{x}) : \vec{x} \in W \}$$

Definition: Let T be a linear operator on a vector space V .

A subspace $W \subset V$ is called T -invariant if $T(W) \subseteq W$.

That is, $T(\vec{w}) \in W$ for $\forall \vec{w} \in W$.

Example: If T is a linear operator on V , then:

$\{\vec{0}\}$ is T -invariant

V is " "

$R(T)$ " "

$N(T)$ " "

E_λ " "

↑
eigenvalue

($\vec{w} \in R(T)$), then: $T(T(\vec{v})) \in R(T)$
 $\vec{T}(\vec{v})$

($\vec{v} \in E_\lambda$), $T(\vec{v}) = \lambda \vec{v}$
 $\in E_\lambda$)

• For $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by $T(a, b, c) = (a+b, b+c, 0)$

then x - y plane $\{(x, y, 0) = x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is T -invariant

x -axis $\{(x, 0, 0) = x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is T -invariant

z -axis $\{(0, 0, x) = x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is NOT T -invariant.

$$T\left(\underset{\circ}{\underset{\#}{0}}, 0, x\right) = \left(0, \underset{\#}{\underset{\circ}{x}}, 0\right) \notin z\text{-axis}$$

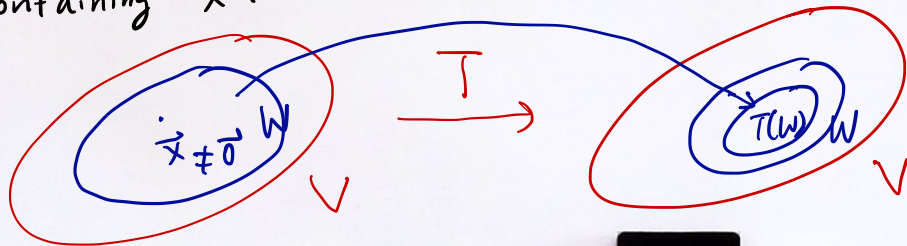
Def: Given a linear operator T on a vector space V , and a non-zero $\vec{x} \in V$, the subspace

$$W := \text{span}(\{T^k(\vec{x}) : k \in \mathbb{N}\}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{span}(\{\vec{x}, T(\vec{x}), T^2(\vec{x}), \dots, T^k(\vec{x}), \dots\})$$

$$(T^k \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \underbrace{T \circ T \circ \dots \circ T}_{k \text{ times}})$$

is called T -cyclic subspace of V generated by \vec{x} .

Prop: W is the smallest T -invariant subspace of V containing \vec{x} .



Proof: For any $\vec{w} \in W$, $\exists a_0, \dots, a_k \in F$ s.t.

$$\vec{w} = \sum_{i=0}^k a_i T^i(\vec{x})$$

Then: $T(\vec{w}) = \sum_{i=0}^k a_i T^{i+1}(\vec{x}) \in W$.

$\therefore W$ is T -invariant.

If $U \subset V$ is a T -invariant subspace containing \vec{x} .

then: it also contains $T(\vec{x}) \in U$ and $T^k(\vec{x}) \in U$ by induction.

$\therefore U \supset W$

