

## Sec. 2.6 Q20

20. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be nonzero vector spaces over the same field, and let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation.

(a) Prove that  $T$  is onto if and only if  $T^t$  is one-to-one.

(b) Prove that  $T^t$  is onto if and only if  $T$  is one-to-one.

*Hint:* Parts of the proof require the result of Exercise 19 for the infinite-dimensional case.

$$T: V \rightarrow W \quad T^*: W^* \rightarrow V^*$$

(a) ( $\Rightarrow$ ) suppose  $T$  is onto

$$\forall w \in W \quad \exists v \in V \quad \text{s.t.} \quad T(v) = w$$

$$\forall g \in N(T^*) \quad gT = T^*(g) = 0 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \forall v \in V, \quad g(T(v)) = 0$$

$$\text{since } T \text{ onto.} \quad \forall w \in W \quad g(w) = g(T(v)) = 0 \quad \text{Hence } g = 0$$

$$\text{That means } N(T^*) = \{0\} \quad \text{so } T^* \text{ is 1-1}$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) if  $T$  is not onto, then  $R(T) \subsetneq W$

$$\exists \text{ nonzero } g_0 \in W^* \text{ s.t. } g_0(w) = 0 \quad \forall w \in R(T) \quad \text{i.e. } g_0 T = 0$$

$$\exists w' \in W \setminus R(T) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad g_0(w') \neq 0$$

$$T^*(g) = gT = gT + g_0 T = (g + g_0)T = T^*(g + g_0)$$

$$\text{but } g(w') \neq (g + g_0)(w') \quad \text{so } g \neq g + g_0$$

Hence  $T^*$  is not 1-1.

(b) ( $\Rightarrow$ ) suppose  $T^*$  is onto.

$$\forall f \in V^* \quad \exists g \in W^* \quad \text{s.t.} \quad T^*(g) = f \quad \Rightarrow \quad gT = f$$

$$\forall \alpha \in N(T) \quad \text{we have } f(\alpha) = gT(\alpha) = g(0) = 0, \quad \forall f \in V^*$$

Then  $\alpha = 0$ . that means  $N(T) = \{0\}$ . Hence  $T$  is 1-1

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $\beta$  be a basis for  $V$ .

$T$  is 1-1. So  $T(\beta)$  is L.I.

Extend  $T(\beta)$  to  $T(\beta) \cup \gamma$  a basis for  $W$ .

$$T^*: W^* \rightarrow V^*$$

$$g \mapsto g \circ T$$

$\forall f \in V^*$ , define  $g \in W^*$

$$g(w) = \begin{cases} f \circ T^{-1}(w) & w \in T(\beta) \\ 0 & w \in \gamma \end{cases}$$

Then

$$T^*(g)(v) = g \circ T(v) = f \circ T^{-1} \circ T(v) = f(v) \quad \forall v \in \beta$$

So  $T^*(g) = f$ .  $T^*$  is onto.

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21. Let  $A$  and  $f(t)$  be as in Exercise 20.

(a) Prove that  $f(t) = (A_{11} - t)(A_{22} - t) \cdots (A_{nn} - t) + q(t)$ , where  $q(t)$  is a polynomial of degree at most  $n-2$ . *Hint: Apply mathematical induction to  $n$ .*

(b) Show that  $\text{tr}(A) = (-1)^{n-1} a_{n-1}$ .

(a) For  $n=2$

$$\det(A - tI_2) = \det \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} - t & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} - t \end{pmatrix} = (A_{11} - t)(A_{22} - t) - A_{12}A_{21}$$

$q(t) = -A_{12}A_{21}$  is of degree  $0 = 2-2 = n-2$

Suppose the case of  $n-1$  holds.

For  $A \in M_{n \times n}$

$$\det(A - tI_n) = \det \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} - t & & A_{1n} \\ & \ddots & \\ A_{n1} & & A_{nn} - t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (A_{nn} - t) \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} - t & & A_{1, n-1} \\ & \ddots & \\ A_{n-1, 1} & & A_{n-1, n-1} - t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$+ \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} A_{nj} (-1)^{n+j} \det \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} - t & A_{12} & \cdots & A_{1j-1} & A_{1j+1} & \cdots & A_{1n-1} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} - t & \cdots & A_{2j-1} & A_{2j+1} & \cdots & A_{2n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{n-1, 1} & A_{n-1, 2} & \cdots & A_{n-1, j-1} & A_{n-1, j+1} & \cdots & A_{n-1, n-1} - t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (A_{nn} - t) q_n(t) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} A_{nj} q_j(t)$$

Obviously,  $q_j(t) \in P_{n-2}$  and by assumption.

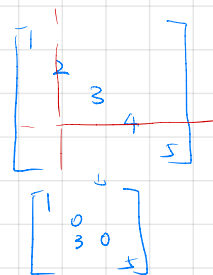
$$q_n(t) = (A_{11} - t) \cdots (A_{n-1, n-1} - t) + q'_n(t) \text{ where } q'_n(t) \in P_{n-3}$$

$$\therefore \det(A - tI_n) = (A_{11} - t) \cdots (A_{nn} - t) + \underbrace{(A_{nn} - t) q'_n(t) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} A_{nj} q_j(t)}_{\in P_{n-2}}$$

(b)  $f(t) = (A_{11} - t) \cdots (A_{nn} - t) + \underbrace{q(t)}_{\in P_{n-2}}$

$$= (-1)^n t^n + (-1)^{n-1} (A_{11} + \cdots + A_{nn}) t^{n-1} + \underbrace{p(t)}_{\in P_{n-2}} + \underbrace{q(t)}_{\in P_{n-2}}$$

$$\therefore a_{n-1} = (-1)^{n-1} (A_{11} + \cdots + A_{nn}) = (-1)^{n-1} \text{tr}(A)$$



only  $n-2$   $t$ 's  
in different row and col.