

Lesson 17

Invariant subspaces

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

read 5.1

Def: A linear transformation

$T: V \rightarrow V$ is called a

(linear) operator

Def: A linear transformation

$T: V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ is called

a (linear) functional

Def: A linear operator T on a finite dimensional vector space V is called diagonalizable if V has an ordered basis B s.t T_B^B is a diagonal matrix

Def A $n \times n$ matrix is called diagonalizable if $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$
 $Tx = Ax$
is diagonalizable.

$A = T_E^E$ where E is the canonical basis

$$T_B^B = I_E^B T_E^E I_B^E$$

$$D = P^{-1} A P$$

$$P D P^{-1} = A$$

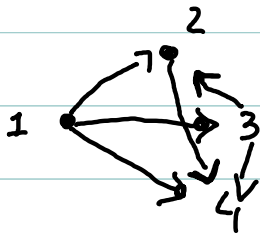
very useful matrix decomposition

Goal (ch 5 end 6)

A $n \times n$ matrix with complex entries is diagonalizable iff
 $A \bar{A}^t = \bar{A}^t \cdot A$ (A is normal)

An $n \times n$ matrix with real entries is diagonalizable iff $A = A^t$
(A is symmetric)

1 Million dollar eigenvector.



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1

2

3

4

Def: Suppose $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ and $U \subseteq V$. U is invariant under T

if $T(U) \subseteq U$ i.e. $v \in U \Rightarrow T(v) \in U$

Ex 1: Given $T: V \rightarrow V$, $N(T)$, $R(T)$, V , $\{0\}$ are all invariant under T ,

Ex 2: for a fixed $v \in V$

$W = \text{span} \{ T^n x \mid n \geq 0 \} = \text{span} \{ x, Tx, T^2x, \dots \}$

is invariant under T

Note: if $V = U_1 \oplus U_2 \oplus \dots \oplus U_n$ and $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$

and $T(U_i) \subseteq U_i$ then in order

to understand T we just need to

understand $T|_{U_j}: U_j \rightarrow U_j$ for $j=1 \dots n$

The easiest situation is when each U_i has

dimension 1

Ex 3: Consider $T: V \rightarrow V$

What are the $\dim 1$ invariant subspaces?

$U = \text{span}(v)$ $T(v) \in \text{Span}(v) \Leftrightarrow T(v) = \lambda v$
for some $\lambda \in F$

Def Given $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ a non zero vector s.t
 $T(v) = \lambda v$ is called an eigenvector of T
 λ is the associated eigenvalue

Ex 4: given $T \in \mathcal{L}(P(\mathbb{R}))$ $T(p) = p'$

What are the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of T ?

If $T(p) = p' = \lambda p$ then p and p' are polynomials
of the same degree. This happens only if $p = c$ and $\lambda = 0$

Note if $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ and $B = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$

is a basis for V then T_B^B is diagonal iff

each v_i is an eigenvector for T

in this case $V = \text{span}(v_1) \oplus \text{span}(v_2) \oplus \dots \oplus \text{span}(v_n)$

Def: If A is an $n \times n$ matrix eigenvectors

eigenvalues of A are eigenvectors

eigenvalues for $L_A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ $L_A(v) = Av$

i.e. λ is an eigenvalue for A if there

is a non zero vector v in \mathbb{R}^n st

$Av = \lambda v$. Such a v is called an

eigenvector for A

Th 1: Given $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$, where V is a finite dimensional vector space, the following are equivalent:

1) λ is an eigenvalue for T

2) $T - \lambda I$ is not injective:

3) $T - \lambda I$ is not surjective

4) $T - \lambda I$ is not invertible

Proof 1) \Leftrightarrow 2) λ is an eigenvalue for T iff

$T(v) = \lambda v$ for some $v \neq 0$ $v \in V$ that is

iff $(T - \lambda I)v = 0$ iff $N(T - \lambda I) \neq \{0\}$ iff

$T - \lambda I$ is not injective.

We already know 2) 3) 4) are equivalent

(using $\dim V = \dim N(T - \lambda I) + \dim R(T - \lambda I)$)

Note: eigenvectors for λ are the non zero vectors in $N(T - \lambda I)$

Th 2 If A is an $n \times n$ matrix

λ is an eigenvalue of A iff $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

Proof assume $v \neq 0$ and $Av = \lambda v$

then $(A - \lambda I)v = 0$ so $A - \lambda I$ is

not invertible (308 stuff: columns

of $A - \lambda I$ are dependent) so

$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

vice - verse if $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$
then $A - \lambda I$ is singular and
therefore the system $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$ has
infinitely many solutions so
there must be some $v \neq 0$ s.t
 $(A - \lambda I)v = 0$ so $A = \lambda v$

Def $\det(A - xI) = p(x)$
is called the characteristic polynomial
of A

Th 3 If A is a $n \times n$ matrix
with entries in $\mathbb{R}, (\mathbb{C})$ $\det A$ is a
polynomial in $\mathbb{R}, (\mathbb{C})$

Proof: by induction on n

Base case: if $n=1$ $A = (a + b)$

$$\det(A) = a + b$$

Induction step: assume the theorem is true for n and A is a $(n+1) \times (n+1)$ matrix

$$\det A = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{1+j} a_{1j} \det(A_{1j}) \quad \text{is sum}$$

$\in P_1(\mathbb{R}) \quad \in P_n(\mathbb{R})$

of polynomials in $P_{n+1}(\mathbb{R})$ so it is a polynomial in $P_{n+1}(\mathbb{R})$

Th 4 If A is $n \times n$ $\det(A - \lambda I)$ is a polynomial in λ of degree n

$$p(\lambda) = (a_{11} - \lambda)(a_{22} - \lambda) \cdots (a_{nn} - \lambda) + g(\lambda)$$

where $g(\lambda) \in P_{n-2}(\mathbb{R})$

proof by induction on n λ

Base case: if $n=2$ $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (a_{11} - \lambda)(a_{22} - \lambda) - a_{12}a_{21}$$

Induction step: assume the theorem is true for n and A is $(n+1) \times (n+1)$

$$B = A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} - \lambda & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n+1} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} - \lambda & & a_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{n+1,1} & \dots & \dots & a_{n+1,n+1} - \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (a_{11} - \lambda) \det(B_{11}) + \sum_{j=2}^{n+1} (-1)^{1+j} a_{1j} \det(B_{1j})$$

$B_{11} = (A_{11} - \lambda I)$ by induction
 assumption $\det(B_{11}) =$

$$(a_{22} - \lambda)(a_{33} - \lambda) \dots (a_{nn} - \lambda) + \underbrace{h(\lambda)}_{\in \mathbb{P}_{n-2}(\mathbb{R})}$$

$$\text{so } (a_{11} - \lambda) \det(B_{11}) = (a_{11} - \lambda) \dots (a_{nn} - \lambda) + \underbrace{(a_{11} - \lambda) h(\lambda)}_{\in \mathbb{P}_{n-2}(\mathbb{R})}$$

What about $(-1)^{1+j} a_{1j} \det(B_{1j})$ for $j > 1$?

$$B_{1j} = C = \begin{pmatrix} a_{22} & a_{22-1} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n+1,1} & a_{n+1,2} & \dots & a_{n+1,n+1-1} \end{pmatrix} \in P_{n-2}(\mathbb{R})$$

if we expand along j row we get

$$\sum_{k \neq j} (-1)^{1+j} a_{1j} (-1)^{1+k} a_{kj} \det(C_{jk})$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\in P_{n-1}(\mathbb{R})}$

Example:

$$T: P_1(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_1(\mathbb{R})$$

$$T(a+bx) = a+2b+3bx$$

$$B = \{1, x\}$$

$$T_B^B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 \\ 0 & 3-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1-\lambda)(3-\lambda)$$

eigenvalues $\lambda = 1$, $\lambda = 3$

eigenvectors for $\lambda = 1$: solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x = 1 \\ y = 0 \end{array}$$

$(1, 0)$ is eigenvector for T_B^B

$p(x) = 1 + 0x$ is eigenvector for T

eigenvectors for $n=3$: solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x=1 \\ y=1 \end{array}$$

$v = (1, 1)$ is eigenvector for T_B

$p(x) = 4x$ is eigenvector for T

Quiz consider T .

B_1 $T_{B_1}^{B_1}$ has same eigenvalues yes
 $T_{B_1}^{B_1}$ has same eigenvectors no

$$T_{B_1}^{B_1} = I_{B_1}^{B_1} T_B^B I_{B_1}^B$$

$$T v = \lambda v$$

$$T_{B_1}^{B_1} [v]_{B_1} = [\lambda v]_{B_1} = \lambda [v]_{B_1}$$

$$T_B^B [v]_B = [\lambda v]_B = \lambda [v]_B$$

$$T v = \lambda v$$

$$B_1 = 1, 1+x \quad \text{SKIP}$$

$$T_{B_1}^{B_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

What is

$$T^{10}(x)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3^{10} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3^{10} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[x]_{B_1} \quad [T(x)]_{B_1}$$

$$T^{10}(x) = -1 + 3^{10}(1+x) = 3^{10} - 1 + 3^{10}x$$

$$T_B^B = I_{B_1}^{B_1} T_{B_1}^{B_1} I_B^{B_2}$$

$$T_B^B = I_{B_1}^{B_1} T_{B_1}^{B_1} (I_{B_1}^{B_1})^{-1}$$

$$(T_B^B)^{10} = I_{B_1}^{B_1} (T_{B_1}^{B_1})^{10} (I_{B_1}^{B_1})^{-1}$$

Example: $T: P_1(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_1(\mathbb{R})$
 $T(a+bx) = 2a+3bx$

$$T(1) = 2 \cdot 1$$

$$T(x) = 3 \cdot x$$

T has eigenvalues 2, 3

1 is an eigenvector of T
with eigenvalue 2

$$(T-2I)(a+bx) = 2a+3bx - 2a - 2bx = bx$$

$$N(T-2I) = \{c \mid c \in \mathbb{R}\} \text{ constant polynomials}$$

x is an eigenvector of T
with eigenvalue 3

$$(T-3I)(a+bx) = 2a+3bx - 3a - 3bx = -a$$

$$N(T-3I) = \{bx \mid b \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$T: V \rightarrow V$ B basis for V
 λ is an eigenvalue for T with
 eigenvector $v \iff \lambda$ is an eigenvalue
 for T_B^B with eigenvector $[v]_B$

$$Tv = \lambda v \quad T_B^B [v]_B = [Tv]_B = [\lambda v]_B = \lambda [v]_B$$

vice versa

if $T_B^B w = \lambda w$ and $w = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$
 Then $Tv = \lambda v$. $v = x_1 b_1 + \dots + x_n b_n$
 $w = [v]_B$

$$T_{B_2}^{B_2} = I_{B_2}^{B_1} T_{B_1}^{B_1} I_{B_1}^{B_2} = P^{-1} T_{B_1}^{B_1} P$$

so all T_B^B have the same
 char poly: $P^{-1} A P - \lambda I$:
 $= P^{-1} A P - P^{-1} \lambda I P = P^{-1} (A - \lambda I) P$

same eigenvalues λ what about eigenvectors
 and E_λ ? They all have same dim