

Finding a  
Jordan Canonical Form

# Motivation

$T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ : linear Operator

- diagonal matrix

  - ↳ too simple

- triangular matrix

  - ↳ not simple enough

# Motivation

- $V$ : vector space over  $F$

for  $T \in L(V)$ ,  $p(x) \in F[x]$

$p(T)$  is well-defined

- Define  $p(x)v := p(T)v$

$\Rightarrow V$  as  $F[x]$ -module for fixed  $T \in L(V)$

## Def (Module)

$R$ : (commutative) ring (with identity)

$R$ -module  $M$  is an abelian group with

$$R \times M \longrightarrow M$$

$$(r, v) \mapsto rv$$

$\Leftrightarrow \exists$  homomorphism of rings

$$\rho: R \longrightarrow \text{End}_Z(M)$$

Def.

$$S \subseteq M$$

- $\langle S \rangle = \{ r_1 v_1 + \dots + r_n v_n \mid r_i \in R, v_i \in S, n \geq 1 \}$
- $S$  generates  $M$  if  $\langle S \rangle = M$
- $\langle v \rangle = Rv$  : cyclic submodule gen. by  $v$
- $M$  : finitely generated if  $\langle S \rangle = M, |S| < \infty$
- $r_1 v_1 + \dots + r_n v_n = 0 \Rightarrow r_i = 0 \ \forall i$

$S$  : linearly independent

- $v$ : torsion element of  $M$   
if  $rv = 0$  for some  $0 \neq r \in R$
- torsion-free  
if module that has no nonzero torsion elements
- torsion module  
if all elements of  $M$  are torsion elements

- the annihilator of  $v \in M$

$$\text{ann}(v) = \{ r \in R \mid rv = 0 \}$$

- the annihilator of  $N \subseteq M$

$$\text{ann}(N) = \{ r \in R \mid rN = \{0\} \}$$

↳ ideals of  $R$

Remark

$M = \langle v_1, \dots, v_n \rangle$  : torsion-module

i.e.  $\exists a_i \in \text{ann}(v_i)$

$\Rightarrow a = a_1 \cdots a_n$  annihilates every elements in  $M$

i.e.  $a \in \text{ann}(M)$



# Modules over a PID

Let  $R$  be a PID

1)  $r \in R$  : irreducible  $\Leftrightarrow (r)$  : maximal

2)  $r \in R$  : prime  $\Leftrightarrow$  irreducible

3)  $R$  : UFD

4)  $R$  : Noetherian

$\Rightarrow M$  :  $n$ -gen.  $\Rightarrow \forall N \leq M$  :  $n$ -gen.

Def

- any generator of  $\text{ann}(N)$  is called  
an order of  $N \quad \text{=: } o(N)$

Prop.

$$M = A \oplus B \Rightarrow o(M) = \text{lcm}(o(A), o(B))$$

## Decomposition Theorems.

$$\text{Thm 1. } M = M_{\text{free}} \oplus M_{\text{tor}}$$

Thm 2 [The Primary Decomposition]

$$\text{ann}(M) = \prod p_i^{e_i} \Rightarrow M = \bigoplus M_{p_i}$$

$$\text{where } M_{p_i} = \{v \in M \mid p_i v = 0\}$$

Thm 3 [The Cyclic Decomposition]

$$\text{ann}(M) = p^e \Rightarrow M = \bigoplus_{i=1}^k \langle v_i \rangle, \text{ ann}(v_i) = (p^{e_i})$$

$$\text{where } e = e_1 \geq \dots \geq e_k \geq 1$$

such  $k, e_1, \dots, e_k$  are unique

$V$  as  $F[x]$ -module,  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$

$$\Rightarrow F[x] \longrightarrow \text{End}(V_T)$$

$$p(x) \longmapsto (v \mapsto p(x)v = p(T)v)$$

$$\dim V = n \Rightarrow \dim(\mathcal{L}(V)) = n^2$$

$I, T, \dots, T^{n^2}$  are linearly dependent

$$\text{Hence } a_0 + a_1 T + \dots + a_{n^2} T^{n^2} = 0$$

not all  $a_i$ 's zero

$\Rightarrow V_T$  is a torsion module

•  $\mathbb{F}[\lambda]$  is a PID

$$\Rightarrow \text{ann}(V_T) = \langle f(\lambda) \rangle$$

$$f(\lambda) = p_1(\lambda)^{e_1} \cdots p_n(\lambda)^{e_n}$$

$$\cdot \text{ann}(V_T) = \langle \underline{m_T(\lambda)} \rangle$$

↳ minimal polynomial

$$\cdot m_T(\lambda) = p_1^{e_1}(\lambda) \cdots p_n^{e_n}(\lambda)$$

# Primary Cyclic Decomposition

$$1) V_T = V_{p_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus V_{p_n} \quad V_{p_i} = \{v \in V \mid p_i^{e_i}(T)v = 0\}$$

$$2) V_{p_i} = \langle v_{i,1} \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \langle v_{i,k_i} \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow V_T = [\langle v_{1,1} \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \langle v_{1,k_1} \rangle] \oplus \cdots$$

$$\oplus [\langle v_{n,1} \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \langle v_{n,k_n} \rangle]$$

· characteristic polynomial

$$C_T(\lambda) = \prod_{i,j} p_i^{e_{i,j}}(\lambda)$$

Thm

1) (Caley - Hamilton)

$$m_T \mid C_T \quad \text{i.e.} \quad C_T(T) = 0$$

$$2) m_T = p_1^{e_{1,1}} \dots p_n^{e_{n,1}}$$

# Rational Canonical Form

$$V_T = \langle v \rangle : T\text{-cyclic}$$

$$\text{Let } m_T(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + x^n$$

$$\text{Let } \mathcal{B} = \{v, Tv, \dots, T^{n-1}v\}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(T^i v) = T^{i+1}v$$

$$T(T^{n-1}v) = T^n v = -a_0v - \dots - a_{n-1}T^{n-1}v$$

$$[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & & 0 & -a_0 \\ 1 & 0 & & \vdots & -a_1 \\ 0 & 1 & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & & 0 & -a_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} : \text{companion matrix of } m_T$$
$$=: C[m_T(x)]$$



# Rational Canonical Form

$$V_T = [\langle v_{1,1} \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \langle v_{1,k_1} \rangle] \oplus \cdots \oplus [\langle v_{n,1} \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \langle v_{n,k_n} \rangle]$$

$$\text{For } \langle v_{i,j} \rangle, B_{i,j} = \{v_{i,j}, T v_{i,j}, \dots, T^{e_{i,j}-1} v_{i,j}\}$$

$$R = \{B_{1,1}, \dots, B_{n,k_n}\}$$

$$\Rightarrow [T]_R = \text{diag} [C[p_1^{e_{1,1}}(\lambda)], \dots, C[p_n^{e_{n,k_n}}(\lambda)]]$$

example

$$T \in L(\mathbb{R}^7) \text{ with } m_T(x) = (x-1)(x^2+1)^2$$

1)  $x-1, (x^2+1)^2, x^2+1$

2)  $x-1, x-1, x-1, (x^2+1)^2$

1)

1						
	0	0	0	-1		
	1	0	0	0		
	0	1	0	-2		
	0	0	1	0		
					0	-1
					1	0

2)

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					0	0
					0	1
					0	0
					-1	0
					0	-2
					0	0
					1	0

# Jordan Canonical Form

•  $M_T(\lambda)$  splits over  $F$

$$\Rightarrow p_i^{e_{i,j}}(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_i)^{e_{i,j}}$$

• Since  $B_{i,j} = \{v_{i,j}, Tv_{i,j}, \dots, T^{e_{i,j}-1}v_{i,j}\}$  is a basis,

$C_{i,j} = \{v_{i,j}, (T - \lambda_i)v_{i,j}, \dots, (T - \lambda_i)^{e_{i,j}-1}v_{i,j}\}$  is a basis

$$\Rightarrow T((T - \lambda_i)^{k-1}v_{i,j}) = (T - \lambda_i)^k v_{i,j} + \lambda_i v_{i,j}$$

$$\Rightarrow [T]_{C_{i,j}} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_i & 0 & & 0 \\ 1 & \lambda_i & & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & & \lambda_i \end{pmatrix} =: J(\lambda_i, e_{i,j})$$

Jordan block

# Jordan Canonical Form

$$m_T(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)^{e_1} \cdots (\lambda - \lambda_n)^{e_n}$$

$$\mathcal{C} = \cup \mathcal{C}_{i,j} : \text{Jordan basis}$$

$$\Rightarrow [T]_{\mathcal{C}} = \text{diag}[J(\lambda_1, e_{1,1}), \dots, J(\lambda_n, e_{n,k_n})]$$

ex.

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} \lambda & & & \\ & \lambda & & \\ \hline & & \lambda & \\ & & & \lambda \end{array} \right)$$

# 1

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -9 & -2 & 0 \\ -4 & -16 & -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A - I = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -9 & -3 & 0 \\ -4 & -16 & -4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\chi_A(\lambda) = (\lambda - 1)^4$$

$$\Rightarrow m_A(\lambda) =$$



#2

$$A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & -2 & 5 & 6 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 & 3 & 6 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 1 & -9 & -12 & -3 & 0 \\ -4 & -24 & 6 & -16 & -27 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\chi_A(\lambda) = (\lambda - 1)^7$$

#3

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$



#4

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -7 & -1 & & \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & & \\ & 0 & & -2 & -3 \\ & & & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

#5

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 5 \\ -1 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C_A(\lambda) = (\lambda - 2)^2(\lambda - 3)$$

$$m_A(\lambda) =$$

#6

$$\begin{pmatrix} -6 & 1 & -6 & 11 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -2 \\ -4 & 0 & -4 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$