

Homework 5
Linear Algebra
Math 524
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Section 5.A Problem 4: Suppose that $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ and U_1, \dots, U_m are subspaces of V invariant under T . Prove that $U_1 + \dots + U_m$ is invariant under T .

Solution. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ and U_1, \dots, U_m be subspaces of V invariant under T .
Let $u \in U_1 + \dots + U_m$ and $u_1 \in U_1, \dots, u_m \in U_m$ with $u = u_1 + \dots + u_m$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Notice: } Tu_1 &\in U_1, \dots, Tu_m \in U_m \\ Tu &= Tu_1 + \dots + Tu_m \in U_1 + \dots + U_m\end{aligned}$$

Because $Tu \in U_1 + \dots + U_m$, this proves that $U_1 + \dots + U_m$ is invariant under T . □

Section 5.A Problem 8: Define $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}^2)$ by $T(w, z) = (z, w)$. Find all the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of T .

Solution. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}^2)$ with $T(w, z) = (z, w)$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Notice: } Tw &= z & Tz &= w \\ Tw = z &= \lambda w & Tz = w &= \lambda z \\ \text{Through Substitution: } z &= \lambda^2 z \text{ or } w &= \lambda^2 w \\ \lambda^2 &= 1 \\ \lambda &= \pm 1\end{aligned}$$

For $\lambda = 1$, we need to find a v_1 such that $Tv_1 = v_1$. For $\lambda = -1$, we need to find a v_2 such that $Tv_2 = -v_2$.

$$\begin{array}{ll}T(w, z) = (z, w) = 1(w, z) & T(w, z) = (z, w) = -1(w, z) \\ z = w & z = -w\end{array}$$

The eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda = 1$ would be a vector whose components would be equal to each other such as (w, w) with $w \in \mathbb{F}$. The eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda = -1$ would be a vector whose components would be opposite to each other such as $(w, -w)$ with $w \in \mathbb{F}$. □

Section 5.A Problem 10 (a): Define $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}^n)$ by $T(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = (x_1, 2x_2, \dots, nx_n)$. Find all the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of T .

Solution. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}^n)$ with $T(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = (x_1, 2x_2, \dots, nx_n)$.

$$\text{Notice: } Tx_j = jx_j \quad 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$jx_j = \lambda x_j$$

$$j = \lambda$$

For $\lambda = j$, we need to find a (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) such that $T(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = j(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

$$\text{Notice: if we set } j = 2: T(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = (x_1, 2x_2, \dots, nx_n) = (2x_1, 2x_2, \dots, 2x_n)$$

$$\text{So: } x_1 = 2x_1 \quad 2x_2 = 2x_2 \quad nx_n = 2x_n$$

$$0 = 2x_1 - x_1 = x_1 \quad x_2 = x_2 \quad 0 = (2 - n)x_n$$

$$\text{So: } x_1 = 0, x_3 = 0, \dots, x_n = 0$$

$$\text{Eigenvector for } \lambda = j = 2: (0, x_2, 0, \dots, 0)$$

The eigenvectors that correspond to $\lambda = j$ are $(0, 0, \dots, x_j, \dots, 0, 0)$ for all $1 \leq j \leq n$. □

Section 5.B Problem 1 (a): Suppose $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ and there exists a positive integer n such that $T^n = 0$. Prove that $I - T$ is invertible and that

$$(I - T)^{-1} = I + T + \dots + T^{n-1}$$

Solution. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ and there exists a positive integer n such that $T^n = 0$. Notice: A is invertible iff $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$

$$\begin{aligned} (I - T)(I + T + \dots + T^{n-1}) &= (I + T + \dots + T^{n-1}) - (T + T^2 + \dots + T^{n-1} + T^n) \\ &= I - T^n = I - 0 = I \end{aligned}$$

This proves that $(I - T)$ is invertible and its inverse is $(I + T + \dots + T^{n-1})$ □

Section 5.B Problem 7: Suppose that $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$. Prove that 9 is an eigenvalue of T^2 if and only if 3 or -3 is an eigenvalue of T .

Solution. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$. Let λ represent the eigenvalue of T .

$$\text{Let } \lambda_1 = 3$$

$$\text{Let } \lambda_2 = -3$$

$$Tv = 3v$$

$$Tv = -3v$$

$$T^2v = T(Tv) = T(3v) = 3(3v) = 9v \quad T^2v = T(Tv) = T(-3v) = -3(-3v) = 9v$$

This proves that the eigenvalue of T^2 is 9 when the eigenvalues of T is 3 or -3. □

Section 5.B Problem 14: Give an example of an operator whose matrix with respect to some basis contains only 0's on the diagonal, but the operator is invertible

Solution. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ and v_1, v_2, v_3 is the basis of V such that $Tv_j = v_1 + v_2 + v_3 - v_j$ for $1 \leq j \leq 3$

$$\mathcal{M}(T) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{M}^{-1}(T) = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

T proves there exists an operator whose matrix with respect to some basis contains only 0's on the diagonal. Because $\mathcal{M}^{-1}(T)$ exists proves that the matrix is invertible. □

Section 5.B Problem 15: Give an example of an operator whose matrix with respect to some basis contains only nonzero numbers on the diagonal, but the operator is not invertible

Solution. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ and v_1, v_2 is the basis of V such that for $a \neq 0, b \neq 0 \in \mathbb{F}$, $Tv_j = av_1 + bv_2$ for $j = \{1, 2\}$

$$\mathcal{M}(T) = \begin{pmatrix} a & a \\ b & b \end{pmatrix}$$

Because $\mathcal{M}^{-1}(T)$ does not exist proves that the matrix is not invertible, while having its diagonal consist on nonzero numbers. □

Section 5.C Problem 1: Suppose $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ is diagonalizable. Prove that $V = \text{null } T \oplus \text{range } T$.

Solution. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ be diagonalizable and $v_1, \dots, v_n, u_1, \dots, u_m$ be a basis of V .

(1) Because T is diagonalizable, each element of the basis of V is an eigenvector, such that $Tv_j = \lambda v_j$ and $Tu_k = 0u_k$.

$$\text{range } T = \text{span}(\lambda v_1, \dots, \lambda v_n)$$

$$\text{null } T = \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$$

(2) Let $w \in \text{null } T \cap \text{range } T$.

$$\begin{aligned} w &= a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n \\ &= b_1 u_1 + \dots + b_m u_m \\ a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n - (b_1 u_1 + \dots + b_m u_m) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Because of (1), $V = \text{null } T + \text{range } T$. Because $v_1, \dots, v_n, u_1, \dots, u_m$ is a basis of V , the constants have to be 0, which means $w = 0$. This proves that $\text{null } T \cap \text{range } T = \{0\}$. Which proves that $V = \text{null } T \oplus \text{range } T$. □

Section 5.C Problem 2: Prove the converse of the statement in the exercise above or give a counterexample to the converse.

Converse: If $V = \text{null } T \oplus \text{range } T$, then $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ is diagonalizable.

Solution. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ such that $T(w, z) = (-z, w)$ with $w, z \in \mathbb{R}$.

Notice: $\text{null } T = \text{span}((0,0))$ and $\text{range } T = \text{span}(-z, w)$, $\mathbb{R}^2 = \text{null } T \oplus \text{range } T$

The eigenvalues of T are, however, $\pm i \notin \mathbb{R}$. Because there does not exist any eigenvalues in \mathbb{R} , T is not diagonalizable. So the converse is false! \square