# MATH2040C Homework 5

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# 1 Section 5.4, Q2(e)

Let  $w = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Note that  $w \in W$ , because w is symmetric.

Note that  $T(w) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ , which is not symmetric, hence not belongs to W.

Therefore, by definition, W is not a T-invariant subspace of V. Done.

### 2 Section 5.4, Q4

 $\forall g(t)$  belongs to polynomials, it can be expressed as for some  $a_i, i = 0, 1, 2, ..., n$ 

$$g(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i t^i.$$

Note that  $\forall w \in W$ , we have

$$g(T)(w) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i T^i(w).$$

Because W is itself a subspace, and note that  $T^i(w) \in W, \forall i$ . Then

$$\forall w \in W, g(T)(w) \in W.$$

Done.

# 3 Section 5.4, Q6(d)

Note that  $z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $T(z) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $T^2(z) = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

And hence  $T^k(z) = 3^{k-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \forall k \ge 1.$ 

Recall that  $span\{z, T(z), T^2(z), \dots\}$  is the T-cyclic subspace of V generated by z. Claim that  $\{z, T(z)\}$  is a ordered basis for  $span\{z, T(z), T^2(z), \dots\}$ .

Note that  $\forall u \in span\{z, T(z), T^2(z), \dots\}$ , if u = z or u = T(z), then u are elements inside the basis set.

If 
$$u = T^k(z)$$
 for some  $k \ge 2$ , notice that  $T^k(z) == 3^{k-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = 3^{k-1}T(z)$ . Therefore,  $\{z, T(z)\}$  spans  $span\{z, T(z), T^2(z), \dots\}$ . Done.

### 4 Section 5.4, Q19

According to the question, 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -a_0 \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -a_1 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & -a_2 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -a_{k-2} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & -a_{k-1} \end{pmatrix}$$
.

Hence its characteristic polynomial is  $\det(A - tI)$ , which is

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} -t & 0 & \dots & 0 & -a_0 \\ 1 & -t & \dots & 0 & -a_1 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & -a_2 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -t & -a_{k-2} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & -a_{k-1} - t \end{pmatrix}$$

We expand the massive matrix through the first column. Then the value is

$$-t \det \begin{pmatrix} -t & 0 & \dots & 0 & -a_0 \\ 1 & -t & \dots & 0 & -a_1 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & -a_2 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -t & -a_{k-2} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & -a_{k-1} - t \end{pmatrix} + (-1) \det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -a_0 \\ 1 & -t & \dots & 0 & -a_2 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -t & -a_{k-2} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & -a_{k-1} - t \end{pmatrix}.$$

Observe the second term recursively, we note that it is simply equal to  $(-1)^k a_0$ . We keep spliting determinants from the left term, then we have

$$\det(A - tI) = (-t)^{k-2} \det\begin{pmatrix} -t & -a_{k-2} \\ 1 & -a_{k-1} - t \end{pmatrix} + (-1)^k (a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_{k-3} t^{k-3}).$$

$$= (-t)^{k-2} (t^2 + t a_{k-1} + a_{k-2}) + (-1)^k (a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_{k-3} t^{k-3}).$$

$$= (-1)^k (t^k + t^{k-1} a_{k-1} + t^{k-2} a_{k-2}) + (-1)^k (a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_{k-3} t^{k-3}).$$

$$= (-1)^k (a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + \dots + a_{k-3} t^{k-3} + a_{k-2} t^{k-2} + a_{k-1} t^{k-1} + t^k).$$

Done.

### 5 Section 5.4, Q23

As suggested by the question, we would like to use Mathematical Induction to tackle this problem.

Under the circumstance stated in the problem (note that those  $v_i$ 's are eigenvectors of T corresponding to distict eigenvalues), let mathematical statement P(k) indicates that:

$$P(k)$$
: If  $v_1 + v_2 + v_3 + \dots v_k \in W$ , then  $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots k, v_i \in W$ .

We would prove the base case first: note that P(1) holds trivially.

Hence we can suppose that  $\exists$  an integer h such that P(k) holds.

In order to prove P(k+1) holds, we need to prove  $w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + \dots + w_k + w_{k+1} \in W$  implies  $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots k, k+1, v_i \in W$ . Where  $w_j$ 's are all eigenvectors of T corresponding to distict eigenvalues.

Suppose not, i.e., we suppose  $\exists i = 1, 2, ..., k, k+1$  such that  $w_i \notin W$ .

WLOG, we let  $w_1 \notin W$ .

Note that the P(k) holds, which implies that if  $\exists i = 1, 2, ..., k$  such that  $w_i \notin W$ , then  $w_1 + w_2 + ... w_k \notin W$ .

Inspect  $w_{k+1}$ , if  $w_{k+1} \in W$ , then  $w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_k \notin W$ . Which is impossible, hence  $w_{k+1} \notin W$ .

Repeating this process by grouping  $w_1$  with other k-1 items among  $w_2, w_3, ..., w_{k+1}$ , we can deduce that

$$\forall i = 1, 2, ..., k + 1, w_i \notin W.$$

As supposed  $w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_k + w_{k+1} \in W$ . Hence  $T(w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_k + w_{k+1}) \in W$ . Which is  $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \lambda_i w_i \in W$ , subtract this with  $w_1 + \dots + w_{k+1}$ , we have

$$\sum_{i=2}^{k+1} (\lambda_i - \lambda_1) w_i \in W.$$

We let T affect on it and subtract the first term out. Keep doing this process on and on, we eventually get

$$\prod_{i=1}^{k} (\lambda_{k+1} - \lambda_i) \cdot w_{k+1} \in W.$$

Note that the  $\lambda_i$ 's are all distict, hence the coefficient is nonzero. Hence  $w_{k+1} \in W$ . Which is contradicting with  $w_{k+1} \notin W$ .

Therefore,  $\forall i = 1, 2, ..., k, k + 1, v_i \in W$  at the first place.

Hence P(k) holds for all possible integer k under proper condition.

Done.

# 6 Section 5.4, Q24

Let  $T: V \to V$ , and W be any T-invariant subspace of V.

We choose the ordered basis for V properly, such that each element in the order basis set  $\beta$  is a eigenvector of T.

Let 
$$\beta = \{v_{1,1}, v_{1,2}, \dots v_{1,m_1}, \dots v_{k,1}, v_{k,2}, \dots v_{k,m_k}\}$$
. Let  $m_1 + m_2 + \dots m_k = m$ .

Note that any (subspace of V)'s basis can be represented with elements from  $\beta$ . Then denote W's basis set as  $\gamma$ .

Let dim  $\gamma = l$ , then we have  $l \leq m$ . Where  $\gamma = \{w_1, w_2, \dots w_l\}$ , those  $w_a$ 's are equal to some  $v_{i,j}$ .

WLOG, reorder  $\gamma$  such that  $\gamma = \{v_{1,1}, \dots v_{1,q_1}, \dots v_{t,1}, \dots v_{t,q_t}\}.$ 

Where  $v_{j,1}, v_{j,2}, \dots v_{j,q_j}$  are all corresponding to eigenvalue  $\lambda_j$ .

Therefore we have  $q_1 + \dots + q_k = l$ . And the  $q_i$  eigenvectors are corresponding to one distict eigenvalue.

Note that here the  $q_i$  are  $\lambda_i$ 's geometric multiplicities (because they are number of corresponding eigenvectors), then we can have

$$\forall i = 1, 2, \dots k, \mu_{T_W}(\lambda_i) = \gamma_{T_W}(\lambda_i).$$

Therefore,  $T_W: W \to W$  must be diagnoalizable. Done.

## 7 Section 7.1, Q7(a)

Note that  $\forall x \in N(U)$ , we have

$$Ux = 0.$$

Therefore

$$U \cdot Ux = U^2(x) = 0.$$

Hence  $N(U) \subset N^2(U)$ .

Suppose  $\exists$  an integer  $k \geq 1$  such that  $N^k(U) \subset N^{k+1}(U)$ .

Note that  $\forall x \in N^k(U)$ ,

$$U^{k+1}(x) = U \cdot U^k(x) = U(0) = 0.$$

Therefore  $x \in N^{k+1}(U)$ .

So, based on all above, we have

$$N(U) \subset N^2(U) \subset N^3(U) \subset \cdots \subset N^k(U) \subset N^{k+1}(U) \subset \cdots$$

Done.

### 8 Section 7.1, Q7(c)

Note that  $\dim V - rank(U^m) = \dim ker(U^m)$  and  $\dim V - rank(U^{m+1}) = \dim ker(U^{m+1})$  hold because of rank-nullity theorem.

Under the condition of  $rank(U^m) = rank(U^{m+1})$ , then

$$\dim ker(U^m) = \dim ker(U^{m+1}).$$

Recall that  $ker(U^m) \subset ker(U^{m+1})$ , then we can deduce that  $ker(U^m) = ker(U^{m+1})$ .

Let's inspect our situation at this stage, now we have  $ker(U^m) = ker(U^{m+1})$ , and we want to go one more step: to prove

$$ker(U^{m+1}) = ker(U^{m+2}).$$

Because  $ker(U^{m+1}) \subset ker(U^{m+2})$ , we then have

$$ker(U^{m+2}) = ker(U^{m+1}) \cup [ker(U^{m+2}) - ker(U^{m+1})].$$

It is suffice to prove that the set  $ker(U^{m+2}) - ker(U^{m+1})$  is an empty set.

Let  $x \in ker(U^{m+2}) - ker(U^{m+1})$ , then we have

$$U^{m+1}x \neq 0, \ U^{m+2}x = 0.$$

Hence  $U(U^{m+1}x)=0$  and  $U^{m+1}x\in ker U$ . And  $U^{m+1}x\in R(U^{m+1})\subset R(U^m)$ .  $\therefore \exists y\in V \text{ such that }$ 

$$U^m y = U^{m+1} x.$$

Hence  $U^{m+1}y = U(U^{m+1}x) = U^{m+2}x = 0$ .

 $\therefore ker(U^m) = ker(U^{m+1}) \therefore U^m y = 0.$ 

This implies that  $U^{m+1}x = 0$ . This contradicts with the previous statement. Therefore

$$ker(U^{m+1}) = ker(U^{m+2}).$$

By doing this repeatly, we can have  $\forall k \geq m$ ,

$$ker(U^m) = ker(U^k).$$

Done.

### 9 Section 7.1, Q7(b)

Using the result of (c), since  $\forall k \geq m$ ,

$$ker(U^m) = ker(U^k).$$

Then we have  $\forall k \geq m$ ,

$$rank(U^k) = \dim V - \dim \ker(U^k) = \dim V - \dim \ker(U^m) = rank(U^m).$$

Done.

### 10 Section 7.1, Q7(d)

Recall from the definition of  $K_{\lambda}$ , we have

$$K_{\lambda} = N(T - \lambda I) \cup N(T - \lambda I)^{2} \cup N(T - \lambda I)^{3} \cup ...N(T - \lambda I)^{n} \cup ...$$

And note that actually  $N(T - \lambda I)^m \subset N(T - \lambda I)^{m+1}, \forall m$ .

 $\therefore \exists m \text{ such that }$ 

$$rank((T - \lambda I)^m) = rank((T - \lambda I)^{m+1}).$$

From the result of previous questions, we have

$$N((T - \lambda I)^k) = N((T - \lambda I)^m), \forall k \ge m.$$

Therefore,  $K_{\lambda} = N((T - \lambda I)^m)$ .

Done.