

MATH2040C Homework 4

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1 Section 5.1, Q2(e)

Given that $\beta = \{1 - x + x^3, 1 + x^2, 1, x + x^2\}$.

And note that $T(1 - x + x^3) = -1 + x - x^3$. $T(1 + x^2) = -x - x^2 + x^3$. $T(1) = x^2$. $T(x + x^2) = -x - x^2$.

Hence $T(\beta) = \{-1 + x - x^3, -x - x^2 + x^3, x^2, -x - x^2\}$.

$$[T]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Suppose β is containing T 's eigenvectors, then $\exists \lambda \in F$ such that

$$T(1 + x^2) = \lambda(1 + x^2).$$

Then $\lambda + \lambda x^2 = -x - x^2 + x^3$. Note that the degree of them do not equal in any sense. Hence β is not a basis consisting of eigenvectors of T .

2 Section 5.1, Q2(f)

Given that $\beta = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$.

Note that $T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = -3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$,

$$T \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and}$$

$$T \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence we deduce that β is a basis consisting of eigenvectors of T .

3 Section 5.1, Q3(d)

3.1 (i)

Given that $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 4 & 1 & -4 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$, then its characteristic polynomial is

$$f_A(t) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 2-t & 0 & -1 \\ 4 & 1-t & -4 \\ 2 & 0 & -1-t \end{pmatrix} = -t(t-1)^2.$$

Observe the $f_A(t)$'s zeros, we have A should have 2 eigenvalues: 1 and 0.

3.2 (ii)

For eigenvalue 1, the corresponding eigenvectors should be in the span of set

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

For eigenvalue 0, the corresponding eigenvectors should be in the span of set

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

3.3 (iii)

In this case, the $n = 3$, $F = \mathbb{R}$. So $F^3 = \mathbb{R}^3$.

Note that $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is a 3-linear-independent set. Hence it is a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .

And by our conclusion above, these 3 vectors are eigenvectors of A .

3.4 (iv)

Let $Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Note that Q is invertible and $Q^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 4 & 1 & -4 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Note that

$$Q^{-1}AQ = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

4 Section 5.1, Q4(h)

Let β be the standard basis. Note that $[T]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. By extracting its characteristic polynomial, it is

$$f_T(t) = (t - 1)^3(t + 1) = 0.$$

And note that their corresponding eigenvectors to be $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$.

Note that by the diagonalizability of $[T]_\beta$, (for its every eigenvalue: 1 and -1: algebraic multiplicity equals geometric multiplicity) we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = Q^{-1}[T]_\beta Q.$$

Where $Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Regard Q as a change of basis matrix from another basis γ to our known standard basis β . Therefore, $Q = [I]_\gamma^\beta$.

Let $\gamma = \{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4\}$. Therefore

$$[y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence, $y_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $y_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $y_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$, $y_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Note that $[T]_\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. So γ is the ordered basis we need to find.

5 Section 5.1, Q4(e)

Let $\beta = \{1 + x, -3 - 13x + 4x^2, -3 + x\}$ be a ordered basis. Then

$$[T]_\beta = [4x + 4, 8x^2 - 26x - 6, 0]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Which is a diagonal matrix. Hence the β is what we want to find. And the eigenvalues of T are 4, 2 and 0, with corresponding eigenvectors elements of the ordered basis β .

6 Section 5.1, Q17

7 Section 5.1, Q18

7.1 (a)

If A is not invertible, then let $c = 0$. We have

$$\det(A + cB) = \det A = 0.$$

Since A is singular as we supposed.

If A is invertible, then note that $A = AB^{-1}B$, then

$$\det(A + cB) = \det AB^{-1}B + cB = \det(AB^{-1} + cI) \det(B).$$

Note that $\det(B) \neq 0$ and $\det(AB^{-1} + cI) = 0$ if $-c$ is the eigenvalue of AB^{-1} . And by the fundamental theorem of algebra, there must exist such c .

Done.

7.2 (b)

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Note that $\det(A) = 2 \neq 0$. And $\forall c \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$\det(A + cB) = \det\left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1+c \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = 2 \neq 0.$$

Therefore, A and $A + cB$ are both invertible.

8 Section 5.2, Q3(c)

9 Section 5.2, Q8

10 Section 5.2, Q13