

Ex: $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & -1 & -3 & 4 & 1 \\ -8 & -2 & -7 & 5 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ $\chi_B(x) = -(x-2)^5$

Step 1: number of vectors in level i
of eigenstring diagram

$$= \dim \text{Nul}(B-2I)^i - \dim \text{Nul}(B-2I)^{i+1}$$

$$B-2I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & -1 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & -1 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ -8 & -2 & -7 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{row reduce}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \dim \text{Nul}(B-2I) = 2$$

$$\therefore \text{possibilities} = \begin{array}{c} | \\ 2 \end{array} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{array}{cc} | & | \\ 2 & 2 \end{array}$$

$$(B-2I)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

clearly only one pivot.

$$\therefore \dim \text{Nul}(B-2I)^2 = 5 - 1 = 4$$

\therefore diagram

$$\begin{array}{c} B_3 \\ B_2 \\ B_1 \\ 2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} B_5 \\ B_4 \\ 2 \end{array}$$

(check that $\dim \text{Nul}(B-2I)^3 = \dim \text{Nul}(B-2I)^4$)

Step 2: Find longest eigenstrings i.e. find β_3 .

• Basis $\{\alpha_i\}$ of $\text{Nul}(B-2I)^3$: $\{\alpha_1=e_1, \alpha_2=e_2, \alpha_3=e_3, \alpha_4=e_4, \alpha_5=e_5\}$

$\therefore B$ has only one eigenvalue, so all of \mathbb{C}^5 is in K_2 .

• Consider $\{(B-2I)^2(\alpha_i)\} = \text{columns of } (B-2I)^2$.

• Take linearly independent subset

e.g. columns with pivot \Rightarrow column 1 $\Rightarrow \beta_3 = e_1$

or we need linearly independent subset of one vector,
i.e. one nonzero vector $\therefore \beta_3$ can be any e_i such that

$(B-2I)^2 e_i \neq \vec{0}$. e.g. $\beta_3 = e_1$ or e_3 or e_4 .

if choose e_1 : $\beta_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\beta_2 = (B-2I)\beta_3$, $\beta_1 = (B-2I)\beta_2$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -4 \\ -2 \\ -3 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix} = (B-2I)^2 \beta_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Step 3: Find the next maximal eigenstring length, i.e. the next level with new eigenstring tops — call this m' .

(in example B, $m'=2$)

Step 4: Find the length m' eigenstring tops $\alpha'_1, \alpha'_2, \dots$

Repeat steps 3, 4 as necessary

$$\alpha'_i \in \text{Ker}(\sigma - \lambda_c)^{m'}$$

BUT: α'_i cannot be in the span of the existing eigenstrings.

- new eigenstring bottoms must be linearly independent, and independent from existing eigenstring bottoms

Let $\{\beta_{i_1}, \beta_{i_2}, \dots\}$ be the vectors in the bottom m' levels of existing eigenstrings.

Extend to a ^{spanning set} basis of $\text{Ker}(\sigma - \lambda_c)^{m'}$:

$$\{\beta_{i_1}, \beta_{i_2}, \dots, \alpha'_1, \alpha'_2, \dots\}.$$

- Consider $\{(\sigma - \lambda_c)^{m'-1}(\beta_{i_1}), (\sigma - \lambda_c)^{m'-1}(\beta_{i_2}), \dots, (\sigma - \lambda_c)^{m'-1}(\alpha'_1), \dots\}$
- Take a linearly independent subset containing existing eigenstring bottoms, and some $(\sigma - \lambda_c)^{m'-1}(\alpha'_i)$ — these α'_i are the new eigenstring tops.

Ex: Continue with B (Ex. 8.3.7), $m'=2$

Bottom m' levels of existing eigenstrings: $\{\beta_1, \beta_2\}$

A basis of $\text{Nul}(B-2I)^2$:

from matrix earlier: $-x_1 - x_3 + x_4 = 0$

$$x_1 = -x_3 + x_4$$

$$x_2 = x_2$$

$$x_3 = x_3$$

$$x_4 = x_4$$

$$x_5 = x_5$$

$$\mapsto \left\{ \overset{\alpha_1'}{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}, \overset{\alpha_2'}{\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}, \overset{\alpha_3'}{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}, \overset{\alpha_4'}{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}} \right\}$$