## Homework 7

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## Section 5.3

6. In any given month, a patient is in precisely one of the following states: ambulatory, bedridden, recovered, or dead. The given data yield the transition matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.20 & 0.20 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.20 & 0.50 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.60 & 0.10 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.20 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and initial probability vector

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0.30 \\ 0.70 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The first entry of P is the initial proportion of ambulatory patients, the second the proportion who are bedridden, the third the proportion who have recovered, and the fourth the proportion who have died.

We compute

$$AP = \begin{pmatrix} 0.20 & 0.20 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.20 & 0.50 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.60 & 0.10 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.20 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.30 \\ 0.70 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.20 \\ 0.41 \\ 0.25 \\ 0.14 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus after one month of arrival, 20% of the patients are ambulatory, 41% are bedridden, 25% have recovered, and 14% have died.

Next, we compute

$$\det(tI_4 - A) = \det\begin{pmatrix} t - 0.20 & -0.20 & 0 & 0\\ -0.20 & t - 0.50 & 0 & 0\\ -0.60 & -0.10 & t - 1 & 0\\ 0 & -0.20 & 0 & t - 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (t - 1) \det\begin{pmatrix} t - 0.20 & -0.20 & 0\\ -0.20 & t - 0.50 & 0\\ -0.60 & -0.10 & t - 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (t - 1)^2 \det\begin{pmatrix} t - 0.20 & -0.20\\ -0.20 & t - 0.50 \end{pmatrix} = (t - 1)^2 (t - 0.1)(t - 0.6).$$

Setting this expression equal to zero and solving for t, we find the eigenvalues of A to be  $\lambda_1 = 1$  (with multiplicity 2),  $\lambda_2 = 0.1$ , and  $\lambda_3 = 0.6$ . We have:

Thus we find:

$$\ker(B_1) = \left\{ s \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} : s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$
$$\ker(B_2) = \left\{ s \begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ -9 \\ -11 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} : s \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$
$$\ker(B_3) = \left\{ s \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} : s \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

For each  $1 \le i \le 3$ , the eigenvalues of A corresponding to  $\lambda_i$  are precisely the non-zero elements of  $\ker(B_i)$ . By part (a) of Thm. 5.9, A is diagonalizable. Thus by part (b) of Thm. 5.9,

$$\beta' = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ -9 \\ -11 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

is an ordered basis for  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Consider the linear operator  $L_A: \mathbb{R}^4 \to \mathbb{R}^4$ . Then

$$[L_A]_{\beta'} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.6 \end{pmatrix},$$

and by Thm. 2.23,  $[L_A]_{\beta'} = Q^{-1}[L_A]_{\beta}Q$ , where Q is the matrix that changes  $\beta'$ -coordinates into  $\beta$ -coordinates. Through a simple computation we find that

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 18 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -9 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -11 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad Q^{-1} = \frac{1}{45} \begin{pmatrix} 40 & 25 & 45 & 0 \\ 5 & 20 & 0 & 45 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -9 & -18 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Letting  $D = [L_A]_{\beta'}$ , we have the identity  $A = QDQ^{-1}$ . Thus, using the Cor. to Thm. 5.12, we get:

Therefore:

$$LP = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 8/9 & 5/9 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/9 & 4/9 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.30 \\ 0.70 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 59/90 \\ 31/90 \end{pmatrix}.$$

So in the long run  $59/90 \ (\approx 65.6\%)$  of the patients recover,  $31/90 \ (\approx 34.4\%)$  die, and none remain either ambulatory or bedridden.

## Section 5.4

13. Note that  $W = \text{span}\{T^k(v) : k \ge 0\}$  by definition. Thus if  $w \in W$ , then there exist scalars  $a_0, \ldots, a_n$  satisfying

$$w = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i T^i(v) = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i T^i\right)(v) = g(T)(v),$$

where g is the polynomial  $g(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i t^i$ . Conversely, suppose  $w \in V$  satisfies w = g(T)(v) for some polynomial g. Say  $g(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i t^i$ . Then

$$w = g(T)(v) = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i T^i\right)(v) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} a_i T^i(v),$$

and so we see that  $w \in W$ .

17. By part (a) of Thm. 5.3, the characteristic polynomial f of A is of the form

$$f(t) = (-1)^n t^n + a_{n-1} t^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 t + a_0.$$

By the Cor. to Thm. 5.23,

$$O_n = f(A) = (-1)^n A^n + a_{n-1} A^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 A + a_0 I_n, \tag{1}$$

where  $O_n$  and  $I_n$  denote the  $n \times n$  zero and identity matrices, respectively. In particular, from (1), we see that  $A^n$  can be expressed as a linear combination of  $I_n, A, \ldots, A^{n-1}$ ; that is,  $A^n \in W$ , where  $W = \text{span}\{I_n, A, \ldots, A^{n-1}\}$ . Now let m > n, and assume that  $A^m \in W$ , so that  $A^m = b_{n-1}A^{n-1} + \cdots + b_1A + b_0I_n$  for some scalars  $b_0, \ldots, b_{n-1}$ . Then

$$A^{m+1} = AA^m = A(b_{n-1}A^{n-1} + \dots + b_1A + b_0I_n) = b_{n-1}A^n + \dots + b_1A^2 + b_0A.$$

Thus since  $A^n \in W$ , we see that  $A^{m+1} \in W$  as well. Therefore  $A^m \in W$  for every  $m \ge n$  by induction. Thus if  $V = \text{span}\{I_n, A, A^2, \dots\}$ , then V = W. Since W is finite-dimensional with  $\dim(W) \le n$ , we therefore see that  $\dim(V) \le n$ , as desired.

21. Suppose that V is not a T-cyclic subspace of itself. Let  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  be a basis for V. Then by assumption, neither  $\{v_1, T(v_1)\}$  nor  $\{v_2, T(v_2)\}$  spans V. Thus  $\{v_i, T(v_i)\}$  (i = 1, 2) either contains a single element (if  $T(v_i) = v_i$ ), or it contains  $2 = \dim(V)$  elements (if  $T(v_i) \neq v_i$ ), in which case it is linearly dependent (by part (b) of Cor. 2 to Thm. 1.10). In either case there exist scalars  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  with  $T(v_1) = c_1v_1$  and  $T(v_2) = c_2v_2$ . By the same sort of argument, there exists a scalar c with  $T(v_1 - v_2) = c(v_1 - v_2)$ , so that

$$c_1v_1 - c_2v_2 = T(v_1) - T(v_2) = T(v_1 - v_2) = c(v_1 - v_2) = cv_1 - cv_2.$$

$$(1)$$

Upon rearrangement, (1) becomes

$$0 = (c - c_1)v_1 + (c_2 - c)v_2.$$

Thus since  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are linearly independent,  $c - c_1 = 0$  and  $c_2 - c = 0$ , so that  $c_1 = c_2 = c$ . Now let  $v \in V$ . Then  $v = a_1v_1 + a_2v_2$  for some scalars  $a_1$  and  $a_2$ . Thus

$$T(v) = T(a_1v_1 + a_2v_2) = a_1T(v_1) + a_2T(v_2) = a_1(cv_1) + a_2(cv_2) = c(a_1v_1 + a_2v_2) = cv.$$

From this we see that  $T = cI_V$ , where  $I_V : V \to V$  denotes the identity linear operator on V.

- 27. (a) Let  $v, v' \in V$  be such that v + W = v' + W. This means that  $v v' \in W$ . Since W is T-invariant,  $T(v v') = T(v) T(v') \in W$  as well, so that  $\overline{T}(v + W) = T(v) + W = \overline{T}(v' + W)$ . Thus  $\overline{T}$  is well-defined.
  - (b) Let  $v_1, v_2 \in V$  and let c be a scalar. Then

$$\overline{T}(c(v_1 + W) + (v_2 + W)) = \overline{T}((cv_1 + v_2) + W) 
= T(cv_1 + v_2) + W 
= (cT(v_1) + T(v_2)) + W 
= c(T(v_1) + W) + (T(v_2) + W) 
= c\overline{T}(v_1 + W) + \overline{T}(v_2 + W).$$

Thus  $\overline{T}$  is a linear operator on V/W.

(c) Let  $v \in V$ . Then

$$(\eta \circ T)(v) = \eta(T(v)) = T(v) + W = \overline{T}(v + W) = \overline{T}(\eta(v)) = (\overline{T} \circ \eta)(v)$$

Therefore  $\eta \circ T = \overline{T} \circ \eta$ , as desired.

36. Suppose that T is diagonalizable. Then by Thm. 5.1 there exists an ordered basis  $\{w_1, \ldots, w_n\}$  for V consisting of eigenvectors of T. For each  $1 \le i \le n$ , let  $W_i = \operatorname{span}\{w_i\}$ . Then since  $w_i \ne 0$ ,  $\{w_i\}$  is a basis for  $W_i$ . Thus  $\dim(W_i) = 1$ . Furthermore, note that  $T(w_i) = \lambda_i w_i$ , where  $\lambda_i$  is the eigenvalue of T corresponding to  $w_i$ . Thus for any  $w \in W_i$ , since  $w = cw_i$  for some scalar c,

$$T(w) = T(cw_i) = cT(w_i) = c(\lambda_i w_i) = \lambda_i (cw_i) = \lambda_i w,$$

so that  $T(w) \in W$ . Thus  $W_i$  is T-invariant. Since for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $\{w_i\}$  is an ordered basis for  $W_i$ , and  $\{w_1\} \cup \cdots \cup \{w_n\} = \{w_1, \ldots, w_n\}$  is an ordered basis for V, Thm. 5.10 implies that  $V = W_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus W_n$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $V = W_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus W_k$ , where for each  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ,  $W_i$  is a one-dimensional T-invariant subspace of V. Note that since  $\dim(W_i) = 1$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , we must have k = n, where  $n = \dim(V)$  (see the result of exercise 20 of section 5.2). For each  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , let  $\{w_i\}$  be an ordered basis for  $W_i$ . Then since  $W_i$  is T-invariant,  $T(w_i) \in W_i$ , so that  $T(w_i) = \lambda_i w_i$  for some scalar  $\lambda_i$ . Thus since  $w_i \neq 0$ ,  $w_i$  is an eigenvector of T. By Thm. 5.10,  $\beta = \{w_1\} \cup \cdots \cup \{w_n\} = \{w_1, \ldots, w_n\}$  is an ordered basis for V. Since  $\beta$  consists of eigenvectors of T, Thm. 5.1 implies that T is diagonalizable.