

Eigenvalues For Linear Operators

Reminder to fill out EVALS !!!

• We are currently at completion ☹

• They are due **SOON**! (Tuesday 8/24) !!

Now to answer question - how to compute eigenvalues/vectors for linear transformations?

Thm: $T: V \rightarrow V$ be linear transformation. B a basis for V .

Then v is an eigenvector (with eigenvalue λ) for T if and only if

$[v]_B$ is an eigenvector (with eigenvalue λ) for $A_{T,B}$

ex) Find eigenvalues/vectors for

$T: \mathbb{R}_2[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_2[x]$ by

$$T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) = (5a_0 + 2a_1 - 4a_2) + (6a_0 + 3a_1 - 5a_2)x + \begin{pmatrix} 10a_0 + 4a_1 \\ -8a_2 \end{pmatrix} x^2$$

By thm: Form the matrix $A_{T,B}$ where $B = (1, x, x^2)$

$$\longrightarrow A_{T,B} = \begin{pmatrix} & & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A_T - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} & & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 = \det(A - \lambda I) =$$

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\Rightarrow Thm tells us that is eigenvector
for T with eigenvalue $\lambda =$

Checks: $T(\underbrace{\quad}_{w_i}) >$

$\lambda = 0$:

Thm tells us that

is eigenvector of T

TC) =

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Fact: Eigenvectors coming from distinct eigenvalues are LI!

Then in this case $B' = (w_1, w_2, w_3)$ are a basis for $\mathbb{R}_2[x]$
(since they are LI). The matrix of T wrt this basis is

$$A_{T, B'} = \begin{pmatrix} & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

Q: Is T an isomorphism?

→ this is the kernel of $A_{\alpha, \beta}$

ex2) $T: \mathbb{R}_2[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_2[x]$ with "standard" matrix

$$A_{T,D} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 0 & 12 \\ -12 & -5 & -12 \\ -8 & 0 & -13 \end{pmatrix} \quad (B: (1, x, x^2))$$

\Rightarrow 2nd column falls vs

So 1 is eigenvector with eigenvalue 1

Long way to find any other eigenvalues

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Only have 2 eigenvectors for T

• we cannot diagonalize this matrix $A_{T,B}$

2 fun facts

A $n \times n$ matrix

1) $\text{tr}(A) =$

2) $\det(A) =$

ex) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 12 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -36 \end{pmatrix}$

What are the eigenvalues / vectors of A ?