

# Sols. Hw 11

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P1  $\Rightarrow$  obvious, since then  $A = C^{-1}BC$  and then they have same characteristic polynomial  $\Rightarrow \sigma(A) = \sigma(B)$  and  $(A - \lambda \cdot 1)^i = C^{-1}(B - \lambda \cdot 1)^i C$

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose  $\sigma(A) = \sigma(B)$ , so they have the same eigenvalues, but we don't know about their multiplicities, for example. However, we also have  $\text{rk}(A - \lambda \cdot 1)^i = r_i^A$  and  $r_i^B = \text{rk}(B - \lambda \cdot 1)^i$  coincide for all  $i$ :  $r_i^A = r_i^B$  and so, by uniqueness of Jordan form,  $\underbrace{\text{(See P1 Hw 10)}}$  we conclude that  $A$  and  $B$  have the same Jordan form, hence they must be ~~equal~~ similar. (i.e. equal up to a change of basis).

P2 A way to show this is using the result from HW 10, P1, where we expressed  $r_i = \text{rk}(T - \lambda \cdot 1)^i$  in terms of  $l_s$ , the number of blocks of dimension ~~is~~  $s$  associated to the eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

If  $T$  is diagonalizable, then for all  $\lambda \in \sigma(T)$  we have  $l_1 \neq 0$  and  $l_2 = l_3 = \dots = l_m = 0$  (i.e., for all  $\lambda$  eigenvalues, only blocks of dimension 1 exist), then the eqs. expressing  $r_i$ 's in terms of  $l_s$ 's become

$$\text{for a fixed } \lambda \Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} l_1 &= n - 2r_1 + r_2 \\ 0 &= r_1 - 2r_2 + r_3 \\ &\vdots \\ 0 &= r_{p-2} - 2r_{p-1} + r_p \\ 0 &= r_{p-1} - r_p \end{aligned} \right\} (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow r_p = r_{p-1} = r_{p-2} = \dots = r_2 = r_1, \quad l_1 = n - r_1$$

so, in particular  $T$  diagonalizable  $\Rightarrow r_1 = r_2$



If we rewrite the eqs. (1) as

$$l_1 + \dots + l_p = m - r_1$$

$$l_2 + \dots + l_p = r_1 - r_2$$

$\vdots$

$$l_p = r_{p-1} - r_p$$

then  $r_1 = r_2 \Rightarrow l_2 + \dots + l_p = 0 \Rightarrow l_2 = \dots = l_p = 0$  hence only  $l_1 \neq 0$  and if this holds for all  $\lambda \in \sigma(T)$  then  $T$  is diagonalizable

Alternative way: In the Lecture, we showed that if we denote

$S_k = \#$  of Jordan blocks of size at least  $k$  (assoc. to  $\lambda$ )

then we showed

$$S_2 = \dim \text{Ker}(T - \lambda \cdot 1)^2 - \dim \text{Ker}(T - \lambda \cdot 1)$$

$$= \text{rk}(T - \lambda \cdot 1) - \text{rk}(T - \lambda \cdot 1)^2 = r_1 - r_2$$

rank-nullity  
theorem

so if  $r_1 - r_2 = 0 \Rightarrow S_2 = 0 \Rightarrow$  there are no Jordan blocks of size 2 or more  
 $\Rightarrow T$  is diagonalizable (the other ~~implies~~ direction is indeed quite easy)

P3/

a) we have 3 options

Jordan  
some basis

$$M(T, \tilde{V}) = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix} & \text{(Two blocks)} \quad \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R} \\ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 1 \\ 0 & \alpha \end{pmatrix} & \text{(one block)} \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \\ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} & \text{(Two blocks)} \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

any of these can occur

why? if we write all the possible Jordan forms of a  $2 \times 2$  complex matrix, we have two options  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$  or  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$ , so in a certain basis  $\tilde{V}$  of  $V$ ,

$M(T, \tilde{V})$  takes the form  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$  or  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$ , but we also are told that

there exist a basis  $V$ , where  $M(T, V) \in M_{2,2}(\mathbb{R})$ , this means that the characteristic polynomial of  $T$  has real coefficients, hence  $T$  has



eigenvalues  $\lambda$  and  $\bar{\lambda}$  i.e. mutually conjugate. Then, we have the possibilities ②

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R} \\ \text{or} \\ \bar{\lambda}_1 = \lambda_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \lambda = \bar{\lambda} \text{ so } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

This gives the 3 possibilities

b) Suppose  $V = U^{\mathbb{C}}$ ,  $\dim V = 2$  and  $A \in \mathcal{L}(U)$ , then  $A^{\mathbb{C}}$  has an eigenvector

$$x = x_1 + ix_2 \quad :$$

$$A^{\mathbb{C}}(x) = A(x_1) + iA(x_2) = \lambda \cdot x = (\lambda_1 + i\lambda_2)(x_1 + ix_2)$$

Now, we want the matrix of  $A$  in the basis  $x_1, x_2$ , ~~these~~ denote its <sup>2</sup> by  $A_{ij}$ , as  $A \cdot x_j = \sum_{i=1}^2 A_{ij} x_i$

$$\Rightarrow M(A) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & -\lambda_2 \\ \lambda_2 & \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and is easy to compute its eigenvalues which are } \lambda \text{ and } \bar{\lambda} \text{ as expected.}$$

c) Using the result from parts a), b) we see that there are 3 possible Jordan blocks for  $A^{\mathbb{C}}$ .

Let start with the real cases: if  $\exists$  a basis of  $V$  where  $M(A^{\mathbb{C}}) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}$  with  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ , then is easy to ~~see~~ show that there exist a basis of  $U$ , where  $M(A) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Likewise if  $M(A^{\mathbb{C}}) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 1 \\ 0 & \alpha \end{pmatrix}$  with  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  is also straightforward to find a basis of  $U$  where  $M(A) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 1 \\ 0 & \alpha \end{pmatrix}$

However, ~~if~~ in the case of  $M(A^{\mathbb{C}}) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{\lambda} \end{pmatrix}$ , the best we can do

(see part b)) ~~the~~ is to find a basis where  $M(A) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & -\lambda_2 \\ \lambda_2 & \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix}$

where  $\lambda = \lambda_1 + i\lambda_2$ ,  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\lambda_2 \neq 0$ .

There are the 3 blocks.



d) This was sketched in the lecture. The Jordan blocks of  $A^{\mathbb{C}}$  takes the form  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots \\ 0 & & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$ , if  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , then we can ~~use an~~ <sup>use an</sup>

~~block as~~ analogous way than the one we used to show  $M(A^{\mathbb{C}}) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$

or  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$  implies  $\exists$  a basis of  $U$  s.t.  $M(A) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$  or  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$

on the other hand, if  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$ , then we know there must exist another block of the same dimension of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} \bar{\lambda} & 1 & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots \\ 0 & & \bar{\lambda} \end{pmatrix}$ , we put

both blocks together as  $B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & & \bar{\lambda} & 1 \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & & \bar{\lambda} \end{pmatrix}$ , using fundamental

transformations for permutations of rows and columns, we can show that  $B$  is similar to (here, written for  $B \in M_{8,8}(\mathbb{C})$  for clarity)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boxed{L} & \boxed{1_2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{L} & \boxed{1_2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{L} & \boxed{1_2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{L} \end{pmatrix}$$

where the  $2 \times 2$  blocks are  $L = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{\lambda} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $1_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

then, we can use b), c) to show that  ~~$B$  is similar~~ <sup>if there exist</sup> a basis where  $M(A^{\mathbb{C}}) = B$ , then we can find a basis where

$$M(A) = \begin{pmatrix} S & 1_2 & & \\ & S & 1_2 & \\ & & S & \ddots \\ & & & S \end{pmatrix} = C \quad \text{where} \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) & -\operatorname{Im}(\lambda) \\ \operatorname{Im}(\lambda) & \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) \end{pmatrix}$$

likewise we could have shown that  $B$  is similar to  $C$ . This finish the characterization of Jordan blocks of  $A$ .



P4/

(3)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \det(A - \lambda \cdot 1) = \lambda^4(\lambda - 1)$$

So, the dimension of the relevant spaces are (easily computable, just by looking at  $\text{rk}(A - \lambda \cdot 1)^i$ )

$$k_i = \dim \text{Ker}(A - 0 \cdot 1)^i = \begin{cases} (i=1) & 2 \\ (i=2) & 3 \\ (i=3) & 4 = \text{multiplicity of } \lambda=0 \end{cases}$$

$\dim \text{Ker}(A - 1) = 1 = \text{multiplicity of } \lambda=1$ , so we have

- 1 block of size 1, associated to  $\lambda=1$
  - $k_1 = 2$  blocks of size at least 1
  - $k_2 - k_1 = 1$  blocks of size at least 2
  - $k_3 - k_2 = 1$  blocks of size at least 3
- } associated to  $\lambda=0$

then  $m_1 = 1$  blocks of size 1  
 $m_2 = 0$  blocks of size 2  
 $m_3 = 1$  blocks of size 3

} assoc. to  $\lambda=0$

$\Rightarrow$  Jordan form of A is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boxed{1} & & & & \\ & \boxed{0} & & & \\ & & \boxed{\begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{matrix}} & & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$3AB^2 + A^2B$$

P5/

$$a) e^{A+B} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i!} (A+B)^i = 1 + (A+B) + \frac{1}{2}(A^2+B^2+\underbrace{AB+BA}_{2AB}) + \frac{1}{3!}(A^3+B^3+\underbrace{AB^2+A^2B}_{3AB^2+A^2B} + \underbrace{BAB+B^2A+A^2B}_{2AB}) + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} e^A e^B &= \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i!} A^i \right) \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j!} B^j \right) = \left( 1 + A + \frac{A^2}{2!} + \frac{A^3}{3!} + \dots \right) \left( 1 + B + \frac{B^2}{2!} + \frac{B^3}{3!} + \dots \right) \\ &= 1 + (A+B) + \underbrace{\left( \frac{A^2}{2!} + \frac{B^2}{2!} + \frac{AB^2}{2!} + \frac{B^2A}{2!} + \dots \right)}_{\frac{B^2}{2!} + \frac{B^3}{3!} + \dots} + \frac{A^3}{3!} \left( 1 + B + \frac{B^2}{2!} + \frac{B^3}{3!} + \dots \right) \\ &\quad + A \left( B + \frac{B^2}{2!} + \frac{B^3}{3!} + \dots \right) + \dots \\ &= 1 + (A+B) + (AB + \frac{A^2}{2} + \frac{B^2}{2}) + \left( \frac{A^3}{3!} + \frac{A^2}{2!}B + \frac{AB^2}{2!} + \frac{B^3}{3!} \right) + \dots \end{aligned}$$



at this point is easy to see these first terms are the same.

b) Note first

$$e^{A(t+h)} = e^{At} e^{Ah} = e^{Ah} e^{At}$$
 because  $[A_t, A_h] = 0$ 
  
 ↗ straight forward, you can see, e.g.  $A(t+h) = A(h+t)$

then

$$\frac{e^{A(t+h)} - e^{At}}{h} = \frac{e^{Ah} e^{At} - e^{At}}{h} = \frac{(e^{Ah} - 1)}{h} \cdot e^{At}$$

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$$\frac{e^{Ah} - 1}{h} = h^{-1} \left( Ah + \frac{(Ah)^2}{2!} + \frac{(Ah)^3}{3!} + \dots \right)$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{Ah} - 1}{h} = A$$

$$\therefore \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{A(t+h)} - e^{At}}{h} = A \cdot e^{At}$$

Note:  $[A, e^{At}] = 0$ , so if one writes instead  $\frac{d}{dt} e^{At} = e^{At} \cdot A$  is still correct.