

SC223 - Linear Algebra

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Lecture 31



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Summary of Lecture 30

- **Definition:** Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(U)$. If V is a subspace of U such that $\forall u \in V, Tu \in V$, then V is said to be an *invariant subspace* of T , or *T-invariant* subspace.
- If $U = V_1 \oplus V_2$, where V_1, V_2 are T -invariant, then with $B = B_{V_1} \cup B_{V_2}$ as the basis of U , $[T]_B^B$ becomes block-diagonal.
- If V is a 1-dimensional T -invariant subspace, $\forall u \in V, u \neq \theta, Tu = \lambda u$. λ is the eigenvalue associated with eigenvector u .

$$V = \{ku \mid \forall k \in \mathbb{F}, u \neq \theta\}$$

$$\forall x \neq \theta, x \in V, x = a_1 \cdot u, a_1 \neq 0.$$

$$Tx = a_2 \cdot u$$

$$T(k \cdot u) = \lambda(k \cdot u) \quad T(a_1 \cdot u) = a_2 \cdot u$$

$$\text{eigenvectors: (eigenspace)} \Rightarrow Tu = \frac{a_2}{a_1} u = \lambda u.$$

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$$\dim(U) = n.$$

$$V_1, \dots, V_n.$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$u_1$$
$$\neq \theta$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$u_n$$
$$\neq \theta$$

$$e = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}.$$

$$u_i \in V_i$$

$$Tu_i = \lambda_i u_i$$

$$[T]_e^e = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & & 0 \\ \vdots & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

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$$[T - \lambda I]_\beta^\beta [u]_\beta = \vec{0} = [\theta]_\beta$$

$$\det([T - \lambda I]_\beta^\beta) = 0$$

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$$Ax = y$$

$$Ax_2 = y$$

$$A(x_1 - x_2) = \vec{0}$$

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Eigenvalues of T are roots of the polynomial $c(\lambda)$, and the eigenvector is a non-zero vector belonging to $\mathcal{N}(T - \lambda I)$.

$$c(\lambda) = \det(\lambda I_n - [T]_\beta^\beta)$$

$$c_1(\lambda) = \det([T]_\beta^\beta - \lambda I_n)$$

$$c_2(\lambda) = \det([T]_\alpha^\alpha - \lambda I_n).$$

$$\det(ABC) = \det(CAB) = \det(BCA)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\det([T]_{\alpha}^{\alpha} - \lambda I_n) &= \det(\tilde{S}^T [T]_{\beta}^{\beta} S - \lambda I_n) \\
&= \det(\tilde{S}^T [T]_{\beta}^{\beta} - \lambda \tilde{S}^T I_n S) \\
&= \det(\tilde{S}^T ([T]_{\beta}^{\beta} - \lambda I_n) S) \\
&= \det(S \cdot \tilde{S}^T ([T]_{\beta}^{\beta} - \lambda I_n)) \\
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$$= \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ [v_1]_\beta & \cdots & [v_n]_\beta \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

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 \end{aligned}$$

- Eigenvalues of T are roots of $\det([T]_\beta^\beta - \lambda I_n)$, and corresponding eigenvectors are linearly independent vectors in $\mathcal{N}(T - \lambda I)$.

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Examples

$$R_\theta : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

Results on Eigenvectors and Eigenvalues

- **Proposition 20:** Let $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$ be distinct eigenvalues of $T \in \mathcal{L}(U)$. Then the eigenvectors v_1, \dots, v_m associated with these eigenvalues are linearly independent.