

Assignment 2, Group Theory and Linear Algebra, Sam Lloyd 994940

Q1:

a) characteristic polynomial:

$$c(x) = (x-i)^2(x+1)$$

 \Rightarrow Candidates for minimal polynomial:

$$(x-i)(x+1), (x-i)^2(x+1)$$

as eigenvalues are $i, -1$ ~~and~~ $\Rightarrow (x-i), (x+1)$ are linear factors of $m(x)$ and $m(x) | c(x)$

(Lemma 2.22, 2.24)

try $(x-i)(x+1)$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1-i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i+1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & i+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$$

Therefore $(x-i)^2(x+1)$ is the minimal polynomial.b) ~~M is a 3×3 matrix, yet there are only two distinct eigenvalues. Therefore the matrix is not diagonalisable.~~ $m(x)$ is not the product of distinct linear factors
Therefore is not diagonalisable. (2.35)

c)

the $m(x) = (x-i)^2(x+1)$, and $c(x) = (x-i)^2(x+1)$ \Rightarrow (1) Size of largest i -Jordan block is two,(2) Sum of sizes of i -Jordan blocks is 2(3) Size of largest -1 -Jordan block is 1

$$\therefore J(i, 2) \oplus J(-1, 1)$$

Q2:

i) $A^2 = A^3$, pre-multiply by A

$$\Rightarrow A^3 = A^4$$

$$\Rightarrow A^4 = A^2$$

$$\Rightarrow A^4 - A^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (A^2)(A^2 - I) = 0$$

We have ~~expressed~~ found a polynomial p such that $p(A^2) = 0$ and this polynomial has only linear factors in A^2 . Thus the minimal polynomial must have the same property.

As the minimal polynomial of A^2 has distinct linear factors, A^2 is diagonalisable.

ii) nilpotency of $A^2 - A$ implies $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$(A^2 - A)^n = 0$$

try $n=2$

$$(A^2 - A)^2 = A^4 - 2A^2 \cdot A + A^2$$

$$= A^4 - 2A^3 \cdot A + A^4, \quad \text{as } A^2 = A^3 = A^4$$

$$= A^4 - 2A^4 + A^4$$

$$= 0$$

$\therefore A^2 - A$ is nilpotent.

Q3:

a) Consider the polynomials $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(-x-1) \cdot \frac{1}{2}(-x-1) \in \mathbb{R}[X]$ notice $\frac{1}{2}(-x-1)(x-1) + \frac{1}{2}(x^2+1)$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(-x^2 - 1)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(-x-1)(x-1) + \frac{1}{2}(x^2+1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}[-x^2 + 1] + \frac{1}{2}[x^2 + 1]$$

$$= 1, \therefore x^2+1 \text{ and } x-1$$

have gcd 1

i.e. are co-prime.

b)

The minimal polynomial $m(x)$ divides $(x-1)(x^2+1)$ but must have $(x-1)$ and (x^2+1) as

factors,

therefore $m(x) = (x-1)(x^2+1)$

c)

as \mathbb{R}^3 is a finite dimensional vector space with pairwise relatively prime factors in A . we can use proposition 2.27.

- find a basis for $\ker(A-I)$:

$$A-I = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & -3 \\ -2 & -4 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & -3 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\Rightarrow \{(1, 1, 3)\}$ forms a basis
- find a basis for $\ker(A^2+I)$ (R_1)

$$A^2+I = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 & -3 \\ -2 & -3 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^2 + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & -2 \\ 4 & 4 & -2 \\ 12 & 12 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, equivalently find basis vectors that span the plane $2x+2y-z=0$ in \mathbb{R}^3

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$$2x + 2y - z = 0$$

$$\text{Fix } x=0, \text{ ~~fix~~ } : (0, 1, 2)$$

$$\text{Fix } y=0 \text{ ~~fix~~ } : (1, 0, 2)$$

$\therefore \{(0, 1, 2), (1, 0, 2)\}$ forms our basis (B_2)

- now we find $[M|_{\ker(z_i(M))}]_{B_i}$

where z_i are our polynomials and B_i are our bases

$$M \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad M \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

~~fix~~

$$M \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B_1 = \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix} \in M_1(\mathbb{R}) \cong$$

$$\text{is } [M|_{\ker(M-I)}]_{B_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{R})$$

$$C_{B_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{is } [M|_{\ker(M-I)}]_{B_2}$$

now we must find P, P^{-1}

we are ~~using~~ changing ~~the~~ basis $\{b_1, b_2\}$, then applying $A \oplus B$ and returning to the standard basis.

$$P(B \oplus C)P^{-1} = A$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{to find } P^{-1}: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow B \oplus C = P^{-1} A P, \text{ where}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

P is invertible.

Q4 $\rightarrow f^5 = f^4 \Rightarrow f^5 - f^4 = 0 \Rightarrow x^5 - x^4$ is a
 "multiple" of the minimal polynomial; $m(x)$ (i.e. $m(x) \mid x^5 - x^4$)
 (proposition 2.22).

\Rightarrow the only possible candidates for eigenvalues are 0, 1
 since as $x^5 - x^4 = x^4(x-1)$, Lemma 2.24.

$\rightarrow \dim(\ker(f)) = 3 \Rightarrow$ precisely 3 Jordan blocks
 with ~~zero~~ on the diagonal in the JNF of
 $[f]$ in any basis.

~~\Rightarrow in the case where one is an eigenvector we have~~

~~\rightarrow from $f^5 - f^4 = 0$ we know the sum of the sizes of 0-Jordan blocks is at most 4. NO!~~

\rightarrow as we have a 5×5 matrix, all Jordan block sizes must add to 5.

\rightarrow in the case where 1 is an eigenvalue we know that the ^{size of the largest} sum of the sizes of 1-Jordan blocks is at most 1.

i.e. JNF of $[f]_B = J(1,1) \oplus J(0,1) \oplus J(0,1) \oplus J(0,2)$
 up to reordering of blocks. or $J(1,1) \oplus J(1,1) \oplus J(0,1) \oplus J(0,1)$
 $\oplus J(0,1)$

\rightarrow in the case where 1 is not an eigenvalue we use the facts that ~~the sum of sizes of 0-Jordan blocks is at most 4~~
 there are three 0-Jordan blocks, and there are two ways of partitioning 5: $1+1+3, 2+2+1$.

$\therefore [f]_B = J(0,1) \oplus J(0,1) \oplus J(0,3)$
 or $= J(0,1) \oplus J(0,2) \oplus J(0,2)$

i.e. our options are (up to re-ordering of blocks)

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$
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if $\dim(\ker(f^2)) = 5$, this means

~~over~~ the dimension of the 0-eigenspace is 5.

\Rightarrow there are 5 0-Jordan blocks.

if ~~the~~ $[f]_B$ is the zero matrix.

if ~~any~~ a matrix M ~~has~~ has a 1 in its diagonal ~~with~~
then M^2 will also have a 1 in its diagonal.

(using Lemma 2.5).

~~the~~ a matrix M^2 cannot have $\dim(\ker(M^2)) = 5$

if it has a one in its diagonal.

Therefore only the matrices from the case
where $\lambda = 0$ only apply.

$\therefore J(0,1) \oplus J(0,1) \oplus J(0,3)$ and
 $J(0,1) \oplus J(0,2) \oplus J(0,2)$

(up to reordering ...).