

# Assignment 18

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## Abstract

This document illustrates the concept of minimal polynomial, null space and basis.

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[https://github.com/priya6971/matrix\\_theory\\_EE5609/tree/master/Assignment18](https://github.com/priya6971/matrix_theory_EE5609/tree/master/Assignment18)

## 1 PROBLEM

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on  $R^3$  which is represented in the standard ordered basis by the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 & -2 \\ 4 & -1 & -2 \\ 10 & -5 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.1)$$

Express the minimal polynomial  $p$  for  $T$  in the form  $p = p_1 p_2$ , where  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are monic and irreducible over the field of real numbers. Let  $W_i$  be the null space of  $p_i(T)$ . Find the basis  $B_i$  for the spaces  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ . If  $T_i$  is the operator induced on  $W_i$  by  $T$ , find the matrix of  $T_i$  in the basis  $B_i$  above.

## 2 DEFINITIONS

Characteristic Polynomial	For an $n \times n$ matrix $\mathbf{A}$ , characteristic polynomial is defined by, $p(x) =  x\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} $
Minimal Polynomial	Minimal polynomial $m(x)$ is the smallest factor of characteristic polynomial $p(x)$ such that, $m(\mathbf{A}) = 0$ Every root of characteristic polynomial should be the root of minimal polynomial and the minimal polynomial divides the characteristic polynomial.
Basis Theorem	Let $V$ be a subspace of dimension $m$ . Then: Any $m$ linearly independent vectors in $V$ forms a basis for $V$ . Any $m$ vectors that span $V$ forms a basis for $V$ .

TABLE 1: Definitions

## 3 SOLUTION

Express Minimal Polynomial	$A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 & -2 \\ 4 & -1 & -2 \\ 10 & -5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$ <p>Characteristic Polynomial = <math> xI - A  = \begin{vmatrix} x-6 &amp; 3 &amp; 2 \\ -4 &amp; x+1 &amp; 2 \\ -10 &amp; 5 &amp; x+3 \end{vmatrix}</math></p> <p>By solving above determinant, we find out that</p> $x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 2 = (x-2)(x^2 + 1)$ <p>Since, <math>T - 2I \neq 0</math> and the minimal polynomial divides the characteristic polynomial, thus minimal polynomial <math>p</math> for <math>T</math> is <math>p = m(x)</math></p> $p = (x-2)(x^2 + 1)$ <p>Put <math>p_1 = (x-2)</math> and <math>p_2 = (x^2 + 1)</math></p> <p>Thus, <math>p = p_1 p_2</math></p>
Bases $B_1$ and matrix $T_1$	<p>Let <math>W_1 = \{\alpha \in R^3 / p_1(T)\alpha = 0, (T - 2I)\alpha = 0\}</math></p> <p>Therefore, <math>A - 2I = \begin{pmatrix} 4 &amp; -3 &amp; -2 \\ 4 &amp; -3 &amp; -2 \\ 10 &amp; -5 &amp; -5 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -4 &amp; 3 &amp; 2 \\ -2 &amp; 1 &amp; 1 \\ 0 &amp; 0 &amp; 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -2 &amp; 1 &amp; 1 \\ 0 &amp; 1 &amp; 0 \\ 0 &amp; 0 &amp; 0 \end{pmatrix}</math></p> <p>Rank of <math>A - 2I</math> is 2</p> <p>Nullity of <math>A - 2I</math> = no of columns - Rank = <math>3 - 2 = 1</math></p> <p>That means the dimension of <math>W_1</math> is 1</p> <p>Thus we can let, <math>\alpha_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \in W_1</math> (Basis theorem mentioned in Definitions)</p> <p>Therefore, <math>B_1 = \{\alpha_1\}</math> is the basis for <math>W_1</math></p> <p>Let <math>T_1</math> be the matrix induced by <math>T</math> on <math>W_1</math></p> $T_1 \alpha_1 = T \alpha_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 & -2 \\ 4 & -1 & -2 \\ 10 & -5 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = 2\alpha_1$ <p><math>[T_1]_{B_1} = [2]</math></p>
Bases $B_2$ and matrix $T_2$	<p>Let <math>W_2 = \{\alpha \in R^3 / p_2(T)\alpha = 0, (T^2 + I)\alpha = 0\}</math></p> <p>Therefore, <math>A^2 + I = \begin{pmatrix} 6 &amp; -3 &amp; -2 \\ 4 &amp; -1 &amp; -2 \\ 10 &amp; -5 &amp; -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 &amp; -3 &amp; -2 \\ 4 &amp; -1 &amp; -2 \\ 10 &amp; -5 &amp; -3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 &amp; 0 &amp; 0 \\ 0 &amp; 1 &amp; 0 \\ 0 &amp; 0 &amp; 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 &amp; -5 &amp; 0 \\ 0 &amp; 0 &amp; 0 \\ 10 &amp; -10 &amp; 0 \end{pmatrix}</math></p> <p>Rank of <math>A^2 + I</math> is 1</p> <p>Nullity of <math>A^2 + I</math> = no of columns - Rank = <math>3 - 1 = 2</math></p> <p>That means the dimension of <math>W_2</math> is 2</p> <p>Thus we can let, <math>\alpha_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \alpha_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in W_2</math> (Basis theorem in Definitions)</p> <p>Therefore, <math>B_2 = \{\alpha_2, \alpha_3\}</math> is the basis for <math>W_2</math></p> <p>Let <math>T_2</math> be the matrix induced by <math>T</math> on <math>W_2</math></p>

$T_2\alpha_2 = T\alpha_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 & -2 \\ 4 & -1 & -2 \\ 10 & -5 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 5 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 3\alpha_2 + 5\alpha_3$ $T_2\alpha_3 = T\alpha_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 & -2 \\ 4 & -1 & -2 \\ 10 & -5 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = -2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + -3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -2\alpha_2 - 3\alpha_3$ $(\alpha_2 \ \alpha_3)[T_2] = (\alpha_2 \ \alpha_3) \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$ $\Rightarrow [T_2]_{B_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$
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TABLE 2: Finding of Basis and corresponding matrix

## 4 SUMMARIZATION OF ABOVE RESULTS

Express Minimal Polynomial	$A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 & -2 \\ 4 & -1 & -2 \\ 10 & -5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$ <p>We get, <math>p_1 = (x - 2)</math> and <math>p_2 = (x^2 + 1)</math>  Thus, <math>p = p_1 p_2</math></p>
$W_i$	$W_1 = \{\alpha \in R^3 / p_1(T)\alpha = 0, (T - 2I)\alpha = 0\}$ $W_2 = \{\alpha \in R^3 / p_2(T)\alpha = 0, (T^2 + I)\alpha = 0\}$
$B_1$	$B_1 = \{\alpha_1\}$ is the basis for $W_1$ where, $\alpha_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \in W_1$
$B_2$	$B_2 = \{\alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$ is the basis for $W_2$ where, $\alpha_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \alpha_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in W_2$
$T_1$	$[T_1]_{B_1} = (2)$
$T_2$	$[T_2]_{B_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$

TABLE 3: Conclusion of above Results