

# MATH0014 Algebra 3: Further Linear Algebra Notes (Part 2 of 2)

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### Problem class

#### Polynomial long division:

[A] Like at school

$$\begin{array}{r} c \\ d \overline{) D} \\ \underline{\phantom{0000}} \\ \phantom{0000} \\ \underline{\phantom{0000}} \\ \phantom{0000} \end{array}$$

[B] By inspection

$$f(x) = x^5 - 18x^3 + x^2 + 35x - 4$$

$$g(x) = x^2 - 16$$

Find  $q, r \in \mathbb{R}[x]$  s.t.  $f = q \cdot g + r$   
ii)  $\deg(r) < \deg(g)$

Why do we need to find  $q, r$ ?  $\Rightarrow$  To find  $\gcd(f, g)$ .

$\gcd$  for  $\mathbb{R}[x]$ : If  $f, g \in \mathbb{R}[x] \Rightarrow \gcd(f, g)$  is the unique  $d \in \mathbb{R}[x]$  s.t.

i)  $d|f$  and  $d|g$ .

ii) If  $c|f$  and  $c|g \Rightarrow c|d$ , where  $c \in \mathbb{R}[x] \equiv \deg(c) \leq \deg(d)$

iii) It must be monic.

Example:  $f = x^2 + 2x + 1 = (x+1)^2$   $g(x) = x^2 + x = x \cdot (x+1)$

$$d_1 = x+1 : d_1|f \text{ and } d_1|g \Rightarrow \deg(d_1) = 1$$

$$d_2 = -(x+1) : d_2|f \text{ and } d_2|g \Rightarrow \deg(d_2) = 1$$

If it's not monic  $\Rightarrow$  any multiple will satisfy the two first conditions and then the gcd wouldn't be unique.

$$\gcd(f, g) = \gcd(g, r)$$

Theorem: Suppose  $f, g, q, r \in \mathbb{R}[x]$  s.t.

$$f = q \cdot g + r \Rightarrow \gcd(f, g) = \gcd(g, r)$$

Explanation to why gcd needs to be monic.



$$(x^5 - 18x^3 + x^2 + 35x - 4) = (x^3 + 10x^2 - 2x + 1)(x^2 - 16) + (3x + 12)$$

degree 3      degree ≤ 1

$$\gcd(f, g) = \gcd(g, r) = \gcd(x^2 - 16, 3x + 12)$$

$$\quad \quad \quad \parallel$$

$$\quad \quad \quad 3(x + 4)$$

$$x^2 - 16 = \bar{q} \cdot (3x + 12) + \bar{r} \quad \text{for some } \bar{q}, \bar{r} \in \mathbb{R}[x]$$

$$\gcd \deg(\bar{r}) < 1$$

i.e.  $\bar{r}$  is a constant.

$$\bar{q} = \frac{1}{3}(x - 4)$$

$$\bar{r} = 0$$

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$M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$

i) Find a basis of eigenvectors  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$

ii)  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}, v \neq 0 \Rightarrow M \cdot v = \lambda \cdot v$

$$\det(t_0 I - M) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \dim(\ker(t_0 I - M)) \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow (t_0 I - M)v = 0$$

$$C_M(t) = (t - \lambda_1)^{\alpha_1} \cdots (t - \lambda_k)^{\alpha_k}$$

$$\deg(C_M(t)) = n = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_k \Rightarrow \alpha_i \geq 1 \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, k$$

If  $\alpha_i = 1$  for  $\forall i \Rightarrow \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  basis of eigenvectors

If  $\alpha_i = 3$

In general,  $\alpha_i \geq \dim(V(\lambda_i))$

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• **characteristic polynomial** ( $A$  is an  $n \times n$  complex matrix)

$$\chi_A(x) = \det(xI - A)$$

$$\uparrow \deg(\chi_A(x)) = n$$

• **minimal polynomial**

$m_A(x)$  = The polynomial  $m_A(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x]$  of smallest degree s.t.  $m_A(A) = 0$  and  $m_A(x)$  is monic.

$\uparrow$  so that  $m_A(x)$  is unique

**FACT 0:**  $m_A(x)$  is unique and exists

**FACT 1:**  $m_A(x) \mid \chi_A(x)$

**FACT 2:** If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue for  $A$ ,  $\Rightarrow (x - \lambda) \mid m_A(x)$

**CAYLEY-HAMILTON THEOREM**  $\Rightarrow \chi_A(A) = 0 \Rightarrow m_A(x) \mid \chi_A(x)$

Example:  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \chi_A(x) = (x - 3)^2 \Rightarrow m_A(x) = (x - 3)$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \chi_B(x) = (x - 2)(x - 3) \Rightarrow m_B(x) = (x - 2)(x - 3)$$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \chi_C(x) = (x - 3)^2 \Rightarrow m_C(x) = (x - 3)^2$$

Let  $A$  be a  $2 \times 2$  matrix

$$\text{If } m_A(x) = x - \lambda \Rightarrow A = \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Proof: } m_A(A) = 0 \Rightarrow A - \lambda I = 0, A = \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\chi_A(x) = \det(xI - A) = \det \begin{pmatrix} x-4 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & x-2 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & x-2 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & -1 & x-2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (x-2) \begin{vmatrix} x-4 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & x-2 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & x-2 \end{vmatrix} = (x-2)^2 \det \begin{pmatrix} x-4 & -1 \\ 1 & x-2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (x-2)^2 \left( (x-4)(x-2) + 1 \right) = (x-2)^2 (x-3)^2 = (x^2 - 6x + 9 = (x-3)^2)$$

$$\bullet m_A(x) \in \{ (x-2)(x-3), (x-2)(x-3)^2, (x-2)^2(x-3), (x-2)^2(x-3)^2 \}$$

$$\rightarrow (A-2I)(A-3I) \neq 0 \Rightarrow m_A(x) \neq (x-2)(x-3)$$

$$\rightarrow (A-3I)^2(A-2I) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m_A(x) \mid (x-2)(x-3)^2 \Rightarrow m_A(x) = (x-2)(x-3)^2$$

$$(A-2I)v = 0 \text{ (i.e. } Av = 2v)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow v \in \ker(A-2I)$$

$$(A-2I) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow v_1(2) = \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$$

$$(A-3I)u = 0 \text{ (i.e. } Au = 3u)$$

$$(A-3I) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{c_1} \quad \underbrace{\quad}_{c_2} \quad \underbrace{\quad}_{c_3} \quad \underbrace{\quad}_{c_4}$

$$[c_3 = c_1 - c_2 + 3c_4] \Rightarrow u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} =: Q$$

$$\exists P \text{ invertible s.t. } P(A-3I) = Q$$

$$\Rightarrow \ker(A-3I) = \ker(P-(A-3I)) = \ker(Q)$$

$$\dim(\ker(Q)) = 1 \Rightarrow \text{MATRIX NON-DIAGONAL}$$

$$\bullet \text{ So, } \text{alg}(2) = \text{geo}(2) = 2$$

$$\text{alg}(3) = 2 \neq \text{geo}(3) = 1$$

$\Rightarrow A$  is not diagonalizable (i.e.  $\nexists P$  invertible s.t.  $P^{-1}AP$  is diagonal)

**CLAIM**  $\exists P$  invertible s.t.  $P^{-1}AP = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \text{JORDAN} = \text{J-NORMAL FORM}$

$$\Leftrightarrow AP = PJ$$

$$\Leftrightarrow AP \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = PJ \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, AP \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = PJ \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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