

Q: HW 9, #5

W: 1-dim'l subspace
of \mathbb{R}^n

There exists $w \in W$ w/ all nonnegative entries

Prove that W contains a unique
probability vector (sum of entries is
1, all entries
nonnegative)

Since $w \neq 0$ and W is 1-dim'l,

$$W = \text{span}(\{w\}).$$

Ex $W = \text{span}(\{(1, 1, 2, 3)\})$

If $v \in W$, $v = c(1, 1, 2, 3)$,
where $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

\Rightarrow If prob. vector, then

$$1 = c \cdot 1 + c \cdot 1 + c \cdot 2 + c \cdot 3$$

$$= c(1+1+2+3) = 7c$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{7} \Rightarrow v = \left(\frac{1}{7}, \frac{1}{7}, \frac{2}{7}, \frac{3}{7} \right)$$

LAST TIME : V v.s., $T: V \rightarrow V$ linear

T -invariant subspaces:

W is T -invariant if

$$T(W) \subseteq W$$

T -cyclic subspace generated by v :

$$\text{span} (\{v, T(v), T^2(v), \dots\})$$

We proved:

① If W is a T -invariant subspace and
 T_w is the restriction of T to W ,
then $\chi_{T_w}(t)$ divides $\chi_T(t)$.

② V : finite-dim'l, W : T -cyclic subspace
generated by v

Suppose $\dim(W) = k$ and

$$a_0 v + a_1 T(v) + a_2 T^2(v) + \dots + a_{k-1} T^{k-1}(v) + T^k(v) = 0.$$

$$\text{Then: } \chi_{T_v}(t) = (-1)^k (a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + \dots + a_{k-1} t^{k-1} + t^k)$$

CAYLEY - HAMILTON THM Let T be a linear operator on a finite dim'l v.s. V w/ characteristic polynomial $\chi_T(t)$.

Then $\chi_T(T) = T_0$, the zero transformation.

That is, T "satisfies" its characteristic polynomial.

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad T := L_A$$

$$\text{so: } \chi_T = \chi_A$$

$$\chi_T(t) = \det(A - tI) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-t & 2 \\ 0 & 3-t \end{vmatrix} = (t-1)(t-3) = t^2 - 4t + 3$$

$$\underline{\text{Cayley - Hamilton}} : T^2 - 4T + 3I = \boxed{T_0}$$

zero transform

$$L_A^2 = L_{A^2} \quad A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T^2 - 4T + 3I \longleftrightarrow A^2 - 4A + 3I$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix} - 4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 4 + 3 & 8 - 8 + 0 \\ 0 - 0 + 0 & 9 - 12 + 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$$

PF of Cayley-Hamilton

To prove this, we'll show that

$$x_T(T)(v) = 0 \text{ for all } v \in V.$$

If $v = 0$, then $x_T(T)(0) = 0$ since

$x_T(T)$ is linear.

If $v \neq 0$, then let W be the

T -cyclic subspace generated by v .

V finite dim'l $\Rightarrow W$ finite dim'l,
so let $\dim(W) = k$.

This means there exist $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{k-1} \in F$
such that $a_0 v + a_1 T(v) + \dots + a_{k-1} T^{k-1}(v) + T^k(v) = 0$

and $\chi_{T_w}(v) = (-1)^k (a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_{k-1} t^{k-1} + t^k)$.

Thus $\chi_{T_w}(T) = (-1)^k (a_0 + a_1 T + \dots + a_{k-1} T^{k-1} + T^k)$

and $\chi_{T_w}(T)(v) = 0$.

We also proved that $\chi_{T_w}(t) \mid \chi_T(t)$,
and so for some polynomial $g(t)$,

$$\chi_T(t) = g(t) \cdot \chi_{T_w}(t).$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_T(T)(v) &= g(T) \cdot \chi_{T_w}(T)(v) \\ &= g(T)(0) = 0.\end{aligned}$$

But v was arbitrary, and so

$x_T(T) = T_0$, the zero transformation. \square

COR If A is an $n \times n$ matrix,
then $x_A(A) = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{zero matrix}}}{0}$.

PF HW 10, # 6.

CAUTION The following "argument" is
nonsense:

$$\begin{aligned} x_A(t) &= \det(A - tI), \\ \text{so } x_A(t) &= \det(A - A I) \\ &= \det(0) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

What's wrong: tI : multiply each entry of
 I by t

AI : just matrix mult,
not "entrywise mult"

THE MINIMAL POLYNOMIAL

The Cayley-Hamilton Theorem tells us that a linear operator T ^{- a finite dim v.s.} "satisfies" its own characteristic polynomial, χ_T , i.e., $\chi_T(T) = T_0$.

Hence there is a polynomial of minimal degree that T satisfies.

Ex $I : \mathbb{F}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^n$, the identity map.

If β is the standard basis,

$$[I]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 & \ddots \\ 0 & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I_n,$$

$$\text{and so } \chi_I(t) = (-1)^n (t-1)^n$$

$$\text{However, } I - I = 0,$$

so I "satisfies" the polynomial $t - 1$.

DEF Let T be a linear operator on a finite dim'l v.s. A polynomial $m(t)$ is called a minimal polynomial of T if $m(t)$ is a monic polynomial (leading coeff: 1) of least degree such that $m(T) = T_0$.

ASIDE :

DIVISION ALGORITHM FOR POLYNOMIALS

w/ COEFFICIENTS FROM A FIELD

Let $f(t), g(t)$ be polynomials w/ coefficients in field \mathbb{F} .

If $g(t) \neq 0$ and $\deg(g(t)) = n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$,
then there exist polynomials $q(t), r(t)$
w/ coeffs in \mathbb{F} such that

$$\deg(r(t)) < \deg(g(t))$$

(we can view 0 as having degree "less than zero")

$$\text{and } f(t) = q(t)g(t) + r(t).$$

Ex Field : \mathbb{R}

$$f(t) = 3t^5 - 4t^4 + 3t^3 + t^2 + 1$$

$$g(t) = 12t^4 + 5$$

$$\frac{1}{4}t(12t^4) = 3t^5$$

so we can cancel off leading coeff.

We can do this until remainder

has degree less than 4 ($= \deg(g(t))$
here)

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \frac{1}{4}t - \frac{1}{3} \\
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 12t^4 + 5 \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} 3t^5 - 4t^4 + 3t^3 + t^2 + 0t + 1 \\ \quad \quad \quad + \frac{5}{4}t \end{array} \right] \\
 - (3t^5) \\
 \hline
 \begin{array}{r} -4t^4 + 3t^3 + t^2 - \frac{5}{4}t + 1 \\ - (-4t^4 \quad \quad \quad - \frac{5}{3}) \end{array} \\
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 3t^3 + t^2 - \frac{5}{4}t + \frac{8}{3}
 \end{array}$$

so: $g(t) = \frac{1}{4}t - \frac{1}{3}$

$$r(t) = 3t^3 + t^2 - \frac{5}{4}t + \frac{8}{3}$$

THM Let $m(T)$ be a minimal polynomial
for $T: V \rightarrow V$, V : finite dim'l.

(a) If $f(t)$ is a polynomial such
that $f(T) = T_0$, then
 $m(t)$ divides $f(t)$.

(b) The minimal polynomial is unique

NOTE The minimal polynomial of T will be denoted $m_T(t)$.

Pf (a) Suppose $f(t)$ is a polynomial such that $f(T) = T_0$.

By Division Alg. for Polynomials,
 there exist polynomials $r(t), q(t)$
 such that $f(t) = q(t)m(t) + r(t)$
 and $\deg(r(t)) < \deg(m(t))$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow T_0 &= f(T) \\ &= \underbrace{q(T)m(T)}_{T_0} + r(T) \\ &= r(T) \end{aligned}$$

So: T "satisfies" $r(t)$.

Since $\deg(r(t)) < \deg(m(t))$
 and the degree of $m(t)$ is minimal,

it must be that $r(+)=0$.

$$\Rightarrow f(t) = q(t) m(t), \text{ and so} \\ m(t) \mid f(t).$$

(b) Suppose $m_1(t)$, $m_2(t)$ are minimal polynomials for T .

Then $m_2(t) \mid m_1(t)$ by (a),
so $m_1(t) = q(t) m_2(t)$.

Since $\deg(m_1(t)) = \deg(m_2(t))$,
 $q(t)$ is a constant c

$$\Rightarrow m_1(t) = c \cdot m_2(t)$$

Since $m_1(t)$, $m_2(t)$ are monic,
 $c=1$, and so $m_1(t) = m_2(t)$. \square