HW 14 Linear Algebra Jon Allen

1. Let

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

Justify all responses

(a) Is A invertible?

No, by theorem 13

(b) Write down the characteristic polynomial  $\chi_A(x)$   $\chi_A(x) = x(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)$  by definition.

(c) Write down all eigenvalues of A.

By theorem 14 the eigenvalues are 0, 1, 2, 3

(d) Write down the basis vectors for each eigenspace.  $\lambda=0$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \alpha \\ -2\alpha \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(e) Is A diagonalizable? If so, find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that  $D = PAP^{-1}$ 

2. Let

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

Justify all responses

(a) Is A invertible? Theorem 13 says, yes

(b) Write down the characteristic polynomial  $\chi_A(x)$  $\chi_A(x) = (x-2)^3(x-3)^3$ 

(c) Write down all eigenvalues of A. By theorem 14 we have eigenvalues of 2,3

(d) Write down the basis vectors for each eigenspace.

- (e) Is A diagonalizable? If so, find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that  $D = PAP^{-1}$
- 3. Let  $f(x) \in F[x]$  and let  $\lambda \in F$  be an eigenvalue of  $T \in \mathcal{A}(F^n)$ . Prove the following statements.
  - (a)  $f(\lambda)$  is an eigenvalue of f(T).
  - (b) f(T) = 0 implies  $f(\lambda) = 0$ .
  - (c) f(T) = 0 and  $f(\mu) = 0$  does not imply  $\mu$  is an eigenvalue of T. (Give a counterexample and a careful explanation.)
- 4. Upper triangularity is really needed in theorem 13! Give an example of a square matrix  $A \in \mathcal{M}_n$  with the following properites.
  - (a)  $\operatorname{ent}_{ii}(A) \neq 0$  for each  $i \leq n$  but A is not invertible.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{array}\right]$$

(b)  $\operatorname{ent}_{ii}(A) = 0$  for each  $i \leq n$  but A is invertible.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array}\right]$$

- 5. Let  $S,T\in \mathcal{A}(F^n)$  with S invertible. Given any polynomial  $p(x)\in F[x]$ , prove that  $p(STS^{-1})=Sp(T)S^{-1}$ .
- 6. Let  $T \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C}^n)$  and  $p(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x]$ . Prove that  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  is an eigenvalue of p(T) if and only if T has an eigenvalue  $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $p(\mu) = \lambda$ . Does the result hold if  $\mathbb{C}$  is replaced by  $\mathbb{R}$ ?
- 7. Let  $T \in \mathcal{A}(F^n)$ . Prove that for each  $k \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ , there is a T-invariant subspace  $U_k \leq F^n$  such that  $\dim(U_k) = k$ .