

## Practice Midterm 2 Solutions

① We solve  $TP(x) = \lambda p(x)$  for  $\lambda$  and nonzero  $p(x)$ .

Write  $p(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ , so

$$6ax^3 + 2bx^2 + 0x + 0 = \lambda ax^3 + \lambda bx^2 + \lambda cx + \lambda d$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} 6a &= \lambda a \\ 2b &= \lambda b \\ 0 &= \lambda c \\ 0 &= \lambda d \end{aligned}$$

If  $\lambda = 0$ , then  $c, d$  can be arbitrary, but  $a = b = 0$ ,

$$\text{so } E_0 = \text{Span}(1, x)$$

If  $\lambda \neq 0$ , then  $c = d = 0$ . In the 2nd equation,

$b = 0$  or  $\lambda = 2$ . If  $\lambda = 2$  then  $b$  can be anything,

but  $a = 0$ , so  $E_2 = \text{Span}(x^2)$ .

If  $b = 0$ , then  $a \neq 0$ , since we want  $p(x) \neq 0$ , so  $\lambda = 6$ ,

and  $E_6 = \text{Span}(x^3)$ .

② Assume  $V \neq \{0\}$ , or else there are no eigenvalues.

Then, if  $\lambda$  is an e-value, and  $v$  a nonzero e-vector

we have  $Tv = \lambda v$ , so  $T^n v = \lambda^n v \Rightarrow 0 = \lambda^n v$ , and

since  $v \neq 0$ ,  $\lambda^n = 0$ , so  $\lambda = 0$ .

This shows: if  $T$  has an e-value, it must be zero.

We must prove  $\lambda$  actually is an e-value. But  $E_0 = \text{Null } T$ ,

and  $\text{Null } T \neq \{0\}$  since  $T$  is not invertible. If it

were,  $T^{-1} = 0 \Rightarrow (T^{-1})^n T^n = (T^{-1})^n \cdot 0 \Rightarrow I = 0$ , contradiction

(again using  $V \neq \{0\}$ ).

(3) Assume  $\lambda$  is an e-value, w/ non-zero e-vector  $v$ .

Then  $0 \leq \langle Tv, v \rangle = \langle \lambda v, v \rangle = \lambda \langle v, v \rangle = \lambda \|v\|^2$

so  $0 \leq \lambda \|v\|^2$ . Since  $\|v\|^2 > 0$  ( $v \neq 0$ ),

we get  $0 \leq \lambda$ .

(4) Obviously  $\{0\}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are invariant.

Looking at the factorization, we see that  $T$  is a  $90^\circ$  rotation around the  $z$ -axis, followed by projection to the  $xy$ -plane.

Thus any invariant subspace must be either the  $z$ -axis or contained in the  $xy$  plane.

But the rotation in the  $xy$  plane has no invariant subspaces besides the  $xy$  plane and  $\{0\}$ .

So the invariant subspaces are:

0-D  
 $\{0\}$

1-D  
 $z$ -axis

2-D  
 $xy$ -plane

3-D  
 $\mathbb{R}^3$

(5) (a) - A rotation through  $45^\circ$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  has no e-values

-  $TA(x) = xP(x)$  -  $P(\mathbb{F})$  has no e-values

- The zero map in the zero space has no e-values

(b) The matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

all

have e-values, but cannot be diagonalized

(c) See the last problem of HW 5.

⑥ It didn't make sense as originally written.

Should write the basis as  $(e_0, e_1, \dots, e_n)$ .

Pick any  $v, w \in V$  and write

$$v = a_0 e_0 + a_1 e_1 + \dots + a_{n-1} e_{n-1} + a_n e_n$$

$$w = b_0 e_0 + b_1 e_1 + \dots + b_{n-1} e_{n-1} + b_n e_n$$

Then

$$\langle Tv, Tw \rangle = \langle a_0 e_n + a_1 e_{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} e_1 + a_n e_0, b_0 e_n + \dots + b_n e_0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle a_0 e_n, b_0 e_n \rangle + \dots + \langle a_0 e_n, b_n e_0 \rangle$$

$$+ \langle a_1 e_{n-1}, b_0 e_n \rangle + \dots + \langle a_1 e_{n-1}, b_n e_0 \rangle$$

+ ...

$$+ \langle a_n e_0, b_0 e_n \rangle + \dots + \langle a_n e_0, b_n e_0 \rangle$$

$$= a_0 b_0 \langle e_n, e_n \rangle + a_0 b_1 \langle e_n, e_{n-1} \rangle + \dots + a_0 b_n \langle e_n, e_0 \rangle$$

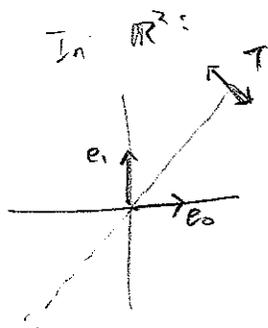
$$+ a_1 b_0 \langle e_{n-1}, e_n \rangle + a_1 b_1 \langle e_{n-1}, e_{n-1} \rangle + \dots + a_{n-1} b_n \langle e_{n-1}, e_0 \rangle$$

$$+ \dots + a_n b_0 \langle e_0, e_n \rangle + \dots + a_n b_n \langle e_0, e_0 \rangle$$

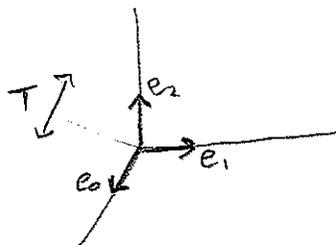
$$= a_0 b_0 + a_1 b_1 + \dots + a_n b_n$$

Compute similarly  $\langle v, w \rangle = \dots = a_0 b_0 + \dots + a_n b_n$

Intuition:



In  $\mathbb{R}^3$



$T$  is a reflection, so it doesn't change lengths or angles, hence it preserves the inner product!

(a)

⑦ 2 cases:

① If  $v=0$ ,

Then  $\phi_v(u) = \langle u, 0 \rangle = 0$ ,

so  $\phi_v$  is the zero map  $V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ ,

and  $\text{Null } \phi_v = V$ , so  $\dim \text{Null } \phi_v = n$

② If  $v \neq 0$ , then  $\phi_v(v) = \langle v, v \rangle = \|v\|^2 \neq 0$ ,  
so  $\phi_v$  is surjective, hence

$$\begin{aligned} \dim \text{Null } \phi_v &= \dim V - \dim \text{Range } \phi_v \\ &= n - \dim \mathbb{F} \\ &= n - 1 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Pick  $w \in U^\perp$ , so  $w \perp u \quad \forall u \in \text{Span } v$ .

In particular,  $w \perp v$ , so  $\phi_v|_{U^\perp}(w) = \langle w, v \rangle = 0$ .

Thus  $\phi_v|_{U^\perp}$  is the zero map, since  $w$  was an arbitrary element of  $U^\perp$ .

⑧ Since  $T$  is an operator,  $T$  is invertible ~~iff~~

$T$  is surjective. To show it's surjective,

pick  $v \in \text{Null } T$ , so  $Tv = 0$ .

Then  $\|v\| = \|Tv\| = \|0\| = 0$

so  $\|v\| = 0$ , hence  $v = 0$ , so  $\text{Null } T = \{0\}$