

Name: (print) Solutions.

Each problem is worth 2 points. Show all your work.

1. Let $T : V \rightarrow V$ be an invertible linear operator. Prove that a scalar λ is an eigenvalue of T if and only if λ^{-1} is an eigenvalue of T^{-1} .

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda \text{ is an e/v of } T &\Leftrightarrow \exists x \neq 0 : T(x) = \lambda x \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists x \neq 0 : T^{-1}T(x) = T^{-1}(\lambda x) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists x \neq 0 : x = \lambda T^{-1}(x) \\ \text{Since } T \text{ is invertible, } \lambda = 0 &\text{ is not an eigenvalue} \\ &\quad (N(T) = \{0\}) \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow \exists x \neq 0 : T^{-1}(x) = \lambda^{-1}x \\ &\Leftrightarrow \lambda^{-1} \text{ is an e/v of } T. \end{aligned}$$

2. For the linear operator $T : V \rightarrow V$ find a basis for the T -cyclic subspace generated by the vector z :

$$V = P_3(\mathbb{R}), \quad T(f(x)) = f''(x), \quad z = x^3.$$

$$z = x^3$$

$$T(z) = 6x$$

$$T^2(z) = 0$$

$$\langle z \rangle_T = \text{span} \{x^3, 6x\} = \text{span} \{x, x^3\}$$

$$\text{basis: } \{x, x^3\}.$$

3. Test the linear operator $T : V \rightarrow V$ for diagonalizability; if T is diagonalizable find (a) a basis β consisting of eigenvectors and (b) the diagonal matrix $[T]_{\beta}$:

$$V = \mathbb{C}^2; \quad T(z, w) = (z + iw, iz + w).$$

$$T = L_A \quad \text{where} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$\Leftrightarrow (t-1)^2 = -1 \quad \Leftrightarrow t-1 = \pm i$$

$$\Leftrightarrow t = 1 \pm i$$

2 distinct eigenvalues $\Rightarrow$ diagonalizable.

Eigenvectors:

$$\lambda = 1+i \Rightarrow A - tI = \begin{pmatrix} -i & i \\ i & -i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \text{eigenvector}$$

$$\lambda = 1-i \Rightarrow A - tI = \begin{pmatrix} i & i \\ i & i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \text{eigenvector}$$

$$\beta = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right) - \text{basis of eigenvectors}$$

$$[T]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+i & 0 \\ 0 & 1-i \end{pmatrix}.$$