

# HW VI, chap 5 # 15, 16, 21

#15  $F = \mathbb{C}$ ,  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ ,  $p \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{C})$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Then:  $a$  is eigenvalue of  $p(T) \iff$  there is an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $T$  such that  $a = p(\lambda)$

Pf:  $\Rightarrow$  Let  $Tv = \lambda v$  for some  $v \neq 0$  such that  $a = p(\lambda)$ .  
We need to show that  $a$  is an eigenvalue of  $p(T)$ .

First, what is  $p(T)$ ? If  $p \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{C})$ , then  $p(z) = a_m z^m + \dots + a_1 z + a_0$   
for certain scalars  $a_0, \dots, a_m$

and then  $p(T)$  is the linear operator  $a_m T^m + \dots + a_1 T + a_0 I$ .

We need to find a nonzero vector  $w$  in  $V$  such that  $p(T)w = aw$

claim:  $w = v$  will work.

$$\text{Indeed } [p(T)](v) = (a_m T^m + \dots + a_1 T + a_0 I)(v) = a_m T^m(v) + \dots + a_1 T(v) + a_0 v$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{(*)}{=} a_m \lambda^m v + \dots + a_1 \lambda v + a_0 v \\ & = p(\lambda) v \\ & = av \end{aligned}$$

$\Leftarrow$  Let  $a$  be an eigenvalue of  $p(T)$ :

Then  $(p(T))(v) = av$  for some  $v \neq 0$ . We assume that  $p(z) = a_m z^m + \dots + a_1 z + a_0$   
for some  $m > 0$  (0 is allowed)

$$\text{Thus } a_m T^m(v) + a_{m-1} T^{m-1}(v) + \dots + a_1 T(v) + (a_0 - a)v = 0 \quad (**)$$

Define  $q \in \mathcal{P}(z)$  to be the polynomial  $q(z) = a_m z^m + \dots + a_1 z + (a_0 - a)$

Consider 2 cases:

1. If  $m > 0$ , by the fundamental theorem of algebra, we can factor  $q(z)$ :

$$q(z) = a_m (z - \lambda_1)(z - \lambda_2) \dots (z - \lambda_m)$$

Thus we have that  $a_m (T - \lambda_1 I)(T - \lambda_2 I) \dots (T - \lambda_m I)(v) = 0$  by (\*\*)

Since  $v \neq 0$  this implies that at least one of the  $T - \lambda_i I$  is not injective

$$\Rightarrow \exists w \neq 0 \text{ such that } (T - \lambda_i I)(w) = 0 \Rightarrow Tw = \lambda_i w$$

$$\text{But then } (q(T))(w) = 0 \Rightarrow a_m T^m w + \dots + a_1 T w + a_0 w = aw$$

$$\Rightarrow (a_m \lambda_i^m + \dots + a_1 \lambda_i + a_0)w = aw \text{ or } p(\lambda_i)w = aw$$

and since  $w \neq 0$ ,  $p(\lambda_i) = a$  must hold.

2. If  $m = 0$ , then  $(a_0 - a)v = 0$  with  $v \neq 0 \Rightarrow a_0 = a$ . But then  $p(z) = a_0 = a$ , for any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , and therefore  $a$  is certainly an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $T$  which exists by Thm 5.13

#16 :  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$   
 $T(x, y) = (-y, x)$   
 $p(z) = z^2$

Consider  $p(T) = T^2$

$\therefore (p(T))(x, y) = T^2(x, y)$   
 $= T(-y, x)$   
 $= (-x, -y) = (-1)(x, y)$

Thus,  $a = -1$  is (the only) eigenvalue of  $p(T)$

However, it is clear that  $a = -1$ , cannot equal  $p(\lambda) = \lambda^2$  for any real number  $\lambda$ .

In fact, according to #15,  $\lambda$  should be an eigenvalue of  $T$ , but we know from the discussion in class that  $T$  has no (real) eigenvalues.

(See also p. 78 for this discussion)

Remark:  $T$  amounts to a rotation of  $90^\circ$  counterclockwise  
 $T^2$  \_\_\_\_\_ of  $180^\circ$  \_\_\_\_\_  
 Geometric interpretation

We know that  $T$  cannot have (real) eigenvalues because no line through the origin is invariant under  $T$ .

But every line through the origin is obviously invariant under  $T^2$  since every point  $(x, y)$  is mapped to its reflection with respect to the origin,  $(-x, -y)$ , which is still on the line through  $(x, y)$  and the origin.

#21  $P \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  with  $P^2 = P$ .

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Prove:  $V = \text{null}(P) \oplus \text{range}(P)$

Pf: Let's first prove that  $V = \text{null}(P) + \text{range}(P)$

Pick  $v \in V$ . Then  $v = \underbrace{(v - Pv)}_{\in \text{null}(P)} + \underbrace{Pv}_{\in \text{range}(P)}$  (this is obvious)

indeed:  $P(v - Pv) = Pv - P^2v = Pv - Pv = 0$   
 $P^2 = P$

Thus,  $V = \text{null}(P) + \text{range}(P)$

Let's now prove that the sum is direct:

$V = \text{null}(P) \oplus \text{range}(P)$

It suffices to prove that  $\text{null}(P) \cap \text{range}(P) = \{0\}$

So let  $w \in \text{null}(P) \cap \text{range}(P)$ .

$\Rightarrow Pw = 0$  and  $w = Pv$ , for some  $v \in V$

$\Rightarrow 0 = Pw = P(Pv) = P^2v = Pv$   
 $P = P^2$

Thus  $Pv = 0$ . But then  $w = Pv = 0$

$\Rightarrow w = 0$ .