

1. Assume A, B are similar $n \times n$ matrices, say $A = Q^{-1}BQ$

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(i) We know $C_A(\alpha) = C_B(\alpha)$. Prove $m_A(\alpha) = m_B(\alpha)$.

Answer:

$$m_A(\alpha) = a_k\alpha^k + a_{k-1}\alpha^{k-1} + \dots + a_1\alpha + a_0.$$

$$m_B(\alpha) = b_k\alpha^k + b_{k-1}\alpha^{k-1} + \dots + b_1\alpha + b_0.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} 0_{n \times n} &= M_A(A) = a_k A^k + a_{k-1} A^{k-1} + \dots + a_1 A + a_0 I \\ &= a_k (Q^{-1} B Q)^k + a_{k-1} (Q^{-1} B Q)^{k-1} + \dots + a_1 (Q^{-1} B Q) + a_0 I \\ &= a_k Q^{-1} B^k Q + a_{k-1} Q^{-1} B^{k-1} Q + \dots + a_1 Q^{-1} B Q + a_0 I \\ &= Q^{-1} (a_k B^k Q + a_{k-1} B^{k-1} Q + \dots + a_1 B Q + a_0 Q) \\ &= Q^{-1} (a_k B^k + a_{k-1} B^{k-1} + \dots + a_1 B + a_0) Q = Q^{-1} m_A(B) Q \end{aligned}$$

$m_A(B) = 0_{n \times n} \Rightarrow m_B(\alpha) | m_A(\alpha)$. It is clear that $B = Q A Q^{-1}$. Repeating the process with $M_B(B)$, we get $0_{n \times n} = M_B(B) = Q M_B(A) Q^{-1}$
 $m_B(A) = 0_{n \times n} \Rightarrow m_A(\alpha) | m_B(\alpha)$.

Since $m_B(\alpha) | m_A(\alpha)$ and $m_A(\alpha) | m_B(\alpha)$, $m_B(\alpha) = m_A(\alpha)$.

(ii) Assume that a is an eigenvalue of A and v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k is a basis for $E_a(A)$. Prove that $\{Qv_1, Qv_2, \dots, Qv_k\}$ is a basis for $E_a(B)$. [Hint: Observe that $BQ = QA$ and since Q is invertible, $Qw = 0_n$ iff $w = 0_n$]

Answer: Let a be an eigenvalue of A and v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k be a basis for $E_a(A)$. Then a is an eigenvalue of B and $\dim(E_a(B)) = \dim(E_a(A)) = k$.

$$\begin{aligned} A = Q^{-1} B Q &\Rightarrow QA = BQ \Rightarrow (QA)v_i = (BQ)v_i \\ &\Rightarrow Q(Av_i) = B(Qv_i) \Rightarrow a(Qv_i) = B(Qv_i). \end{aligned}$$

Since Q is invertible and $v_i \neq 0$, Qv_i is a nonzero vector. Therefore, Qv_i is an eigenvector of B for $1 \leq i \leq k$. Therefore the set $\{Qv_1, Qv_2, \dots, Qv_k\}$ forms a basis for $E_a(B)$. show ?

We show Qv_1, \dots, Qv_k are independent.

Assume $c_1 Qv_1 + \dots + c_k Qv_k = 0$. Thus $Q(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_k v_k) = 0$. Since Q is invertible, $c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_k v_k = 0$. Since v_1, \dots, v_k are independent, $c_1 = \dots = c_k = 0$

2. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(i) Find $m_A(\alpha)$. and all eigenvalues of A .

Answer: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow C_A(\alpha) = |\alpha I_2 - A| = \alpha^2 - 4 = (\alpha - 2)(\alpha + 2)$

$2) = m_A(\alpha)$. This is the product of two linear factors, therefore A is diagonalizable with eigenvalues $\alpha = 2, -2$.

- (ii) If A is diagonalizable, then find an invertible matrix Q and a diagonal matrix D such that $Q^{-1}AQ = D$.

Answer: We have $D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$. To find Q , we find eigenvectors associated with each eigenvalue.

For $\alpha = 2$, we have $(2I - A) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$. We find the null space of this matrix using an online calculator, which gives us $E_2(A) = \text{span}\{(2, 1)\}$.

For $\alpha = -2$, we have $(2I - A) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -4 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$. We find the null space of this matrix using an online calculator, which gives us $E_{-2}(A) = \text{span}\{(-2, 1)\}$.

Therefore $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $Q^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

- (iii) Find A^{16} and A^{15} . [Hint: note that if $A = QDQ^{-1}$, then $A^m = QD^mQ^{-1}$ and $A^{-1} = Q^{-1}D^{-1}Q$]

Answer:

$$A^{16} = QD^{16}Q^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2^{16} & 0 \\ 0 & 2^{16} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 65536 & 0 \\ 0 & 65536 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{15} = A^{-1}A^{16} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2^{16} \\ 2^{14} & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 65536 \\ 16384 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (iv) Convince me that $A^9 + A^7 + 4A^5 + 2A^3 + 7I_2 = c_1A + C_2I_2$ for some real numbers c_1, c_2 . Then find $A^9 + A^7 + 4A^5 + 2A^3 + 7I_2$. [Hint: Let $f(\alpha) = \alpha^9 + \alpha^7 + 4\alpha^5 + 2\alpha^3 + 7$. Then $f(\alpha) = q(\alpha)m_A(\alpha) + r(\alpha)$ such that $\deg(r) < \deg(m(\alpha))$. Since $m_A(A) = 0_{2 \times 2}$, we have $f(A) = r(A)$.]

Answer: Using polynomial long division, we have

$$\frac{\alpha^9 + \alpha^7 + 4\alpha^5 + 2\alpha^3 + 7}{\alpha^2 - 4} = (\alpha^7 + 5\alpha^5 + 24\alpha^3 + 98\alpha) + \frac{392\alpha + 7}{\alpha^2 - 4}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(\alpha) = q(\alpha)m_A(\alpha) + (392\alpha + 7)$$

Therefore, $A^9 + A^7 + 4A^5 + 2A^3 + 7I_2 = 392A + 7I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 1568 \\ 392 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

3. (i) Let $f(\alpha)$ be a polynomial such that $f(A) = 0_{n \times n}$. Convince me that $m_A(\alpha) | f(\alpha)$.

Answer: Let $f(\alpha)$ be a polynomial such that $f(A) = 0_{n \times n}$. We know that $\deg(f(\alpha)) \geq \deg(m_A(\alpha))$. Otherwise, $f(\alpha)$ would be the minimum polynomial for A . Suppose $f(\alpha) = q(\alpha)m_A(\alpha) + r(\alpha)$. Then $f(A) = q(A)m_A(A) + r(A) = 0 + r(A) = r(A) = 0$. But since $\deg(r(\alpha)) < \deg(m_A(\alpha))$ that means $r(\alpha)$ would be the minimal polynomial, contradiction. Hence, $r(\alpha) = 0 \forall \alpha$ (i.e. $r(\alpha)$ is the zero polynomial). Therefore, $m_A(\alpha) | f(\alpha)$.

- (ii) Up to similarity, classify all 5×5 matrices such that $A^2 - 5A = -6I_5$. [Hint: Let $f(\alpha) = \alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 6$. Hence, by hypothesis, $f(A) = 0_{5 \times 5}$. By (i), $m_A(\alpha) | f(\alpha)$. Hence $m_A(\alpha) = \alpha - 2$ OR $m_A(\alpha) = \alpha - 3$ OR $m_A(\alpha) = f(\alpha)$.]

Answer: There are three possibilities for $m_A(\alpha)$. Either $m_A(\alpha) = \alpha - 2$ OR $m_A(\alpha) = \alpha - 3$ OR $m_A(\alpha) = f(\alpha)$.

For $m_A(\alpha) = \alpha - 2$, $A \simeq C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha - 2)$. **In fact, $A = 2I_5$**

Similarly, **For** $m_A(\alpha) = \alpha - 3$, $A \simeq C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha - 3)$. **Again, $A = 3I_5$**

For $m_A(\alpha) = f(\alpha) = (\alpha - 3)(\alpha - 2)$, we have several possibilities for $C_A(\alpha)$. $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 3)^3(\alpha - 2)^2$ OR $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 3)^2(\alpha - 2)^3$ OR $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 3)^4(\alpha - 2)^1$ OR $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 3)^1(\alpha - 2)^4$.

For $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 3)^3(\alpha - 2)^2$, We have $A \simeq C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C((\alpha - 3)(\alpha - 2)) \oplus C((\alpha - 3)(\alpha - 2))$

$$= C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 6) \oplus C(\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 6).$$

For $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 3)^2(\alpha - 2)^3$, We have $A \simeq C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C((\alpha - 3)(\alpha - 2)) \oplus C((\alpha - 3)(\alpha - 2))$

$$= C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 6) \oplus C(\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 6).$$

For $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 3)^4(\alpha - 2)$, We have $A \simeq C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C((\alpha - 3)) \oplus C((\alpha - 3)(\alpha - 2))$

$$= C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 6).$$

For $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 3)(\alpha - 2)^4$, We have $A \simeq C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C((\alpha - 2)) \oplus C((\alpha - 3)(\alpha - 2))$

$$= C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 6).$$

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(iii) Let A be a 4×4 such that A is similar to $H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -18 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

(a) Find $C_A(\alpha)$ and $m_A(\alpha)$.

Answer: $A \simeq H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -18 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A \simeq C(\alpha^4 - 2\alpha^3 - 8\alpha^2 + 18\alpha - 9)$

$\Rightarrow C_A(\alpha) = m_A(\alpha) = \alpha^4 - 2\alpha^3 - 8\alpha^2 + 18\alpha - 9$

(b) For each eigenvalue a of A find $\dim(E_a(A))$ [Hint: $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 1)(\alpha^2 - 9)$]

Answer: $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha^2 - 1)^2(\alpha - 3)(\alpha + 3)$. Therefore the eigenvalues a are 3, -3, and 1 and $\dim(E_a(A)) = 1$ for each eigenvalue of the A .

(c) Theoretically, how do you construct the columns of the invertible matrix Q where $Q^{-1}AQ = H$?

Answer: By class notes, there exists w in \mathbb{R}^4 such that the columns of Q would be $\{w, Aw, A^2w, A^3w\}$ and $\{w, Aw, A^2w, A^3w\}$ is a basis of \mathbb{R}^4 .

4. (1) Give me an example of a matrix A such that $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^5(\alpha - 4)^3$ and $m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 4)^2$ where $E_1(A) = 3$ [Hint: Write down your answer as $A = C() \oplus C() \oplus \dots \oplus C()$]

Answer: $A = C(\alpha - 1) \oplus C((\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 4)) \oplus C((\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 4)^2)$

(2) Give me an example of a matrix A such that $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^5(\alpha - 4)^3$ and $m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 4)^2$ where $E_1(A) = 4$

Answer: $A = C(\alpha - 1) \oplus C(\alpha - 1) \oplus C((\alpha - 1)(\alpha - 4)) \oplus C((\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 4)^2)$


(3) Is there a matrix A such that $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^5(\alpha - 4)^3$ and $m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 4)^2$ where $E_4(A) = 3$? Explain Briefly

Answer: We know that $\dim(E_4(C(f_i))) = 1$ for each f_i such that $\prod_{i=1}^k f_i = C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^5(\alpha - 4)^3$ and $f_k = m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 4)^2$ and $f_1 | \dots | f_k$. Since the multiplicity of 4 is 3, and 4 is repeated twice in the minimum polynomial, we can only have one more polynomial with $f_{k-1} = (\alpha - 1)^j(\alpha - 4)$ where $1 \leq j \leq 2$.

so, we cannot, i.e., there is no such matrix

5. Given A is similar to $H = C(\alpha - 4) \oplus C(\alpha - 4) \oplus C(\alpha^2 + \alpha - 20) \oplus C(\alpha^2 + \alpha - 20)$

(i) Find $C_A(\alpha)$ and $m_A(\alpha)$.

 **Answer:** $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 4)(\alpha - 4)(\alpha^2 + \alpha - 20)(\alpha^2 + \alpha - 20) = (\alpha - 4)^4(\alpha - 5)^2$.


$$m_A(\alpha) = \alpha^2 + \alpha - 20 = (\alpha - 4)(\alpha + 5)$$

(ii) For each eigenvalue a of A find $\dim(E_a(A))$


 **Answer:** $\dim(E_4(A)) = 4$

$$\dim(E_{-5}(A)) = 2$$

(iii) Is A diagonalizable? explain briefly

 **Answer:** Yes, because the minimum polynomial is a product of distinct linear factors with the roots being the distinct eigenvalues. (Another answer: Yes, because $\dim(E_a(A))$ is equal to the multiplicity of a for each a eigenvalue of A).


(iv) Explicitly, write down the entries of H .

 **Answer:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 20 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 20 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. Given A is similar to $J = J_1(2) \oplus J_1(2) \oplus J_3(2) \oplus J_2(5) \oplus J_4(5) \oplus J_5(7)$.

(i) Find $C_A(\alpha)$ and $m_A(\alpha)$

 **Answer:** We have $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 2)(\alpha - 2)(\alpha - 2)^3(\alpha - 5)^2(\alpha - 5)^4(\alpha - 7)^5 = (\alpha - 2)^5(\alpha - 5)^6(\alpha - 7)^5$

We know that the multiplicity of a in the minimum polynomial is the number associated with the biggest Jordan block for a .

$$\text{We have } m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 2)^3(\alpha - 5)^4(\alpha - 7)^5$$

(ii) For each eigenvalue a of A find $\dim(E_a(A))$

Answer: We know that $\dim(E_a(A))$ is the number of Jordan blocks for a .

 $\dim(E_2(A)) = 3$

$$\dim(E_5(A)) = 2$$

$$\dim(E_7(A)) = 1$$

(iii) A is similar to a matrix H in rational form. Find H . [Hint: write $H = C() \oplus \dots \oplus C()$]

 **Answer:** $H = C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C((\alpha - 2)(\alpha - 5)^2) \oplus C((\alpha - 2)^3(\alpha - 5)^4(\alpha - 7)^5)$

7. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow P^2$ such that $T(a, b) = bx + 2a + b$. Define $\langle f_1, f_2 \rangle_{P^2} = \int_0^1 f_1 f_2 dx$ and $\langle q_1, q_2 \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^2} = q_1 \cdot q_2$. Find T^a (the adjoint operator of T)

Answer: We know that $T^a(cx + d) = (m, n)$. We shall find m, n (in terms of c, d). We have

$$\langle T(a, b), cx + d \rangle_{P^2} = \langle (a, b), (m, n) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^2}$$

$$\int_0^1 (bx + 2a + b)(cx + d) dx = am + bn$$

$$\frac{bc}{3} + ac + \frac{bc}{2} + \frac{bd}{2} + 2ad + bd = am + bn$$

$$b\left(\frac{5c}{6} + \frac{3d}{2}\right) + a(2d + c) = am + bn$$

$$\Rightarrow m = (2d + c), n = \left(\frac{5c}{6} + \frac{3d}{2}\right)$$

Therefore, $T^a(cx + d) = (2d + c, \frac{5c}{6} + \frac{3d}{2})$

QUESTION 1. Assume A, B are similar $n \times n$ matrices, say $A = Q^{-1}BQ$.

$$B = Q A Q^{-1}$$

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(i) We know $C_A(\alpha) = C_B(\alpha)$. Prove $m_A(\alpha) = m_B(\alpha)$.

Take any polynomial $f(\alpha) = \alpha^k + a_{k-1}\alpha^{k-1} + \dots + a_1\alpha + a_0$

$$f(A) = f(Q^{-1}BQ)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (Q^{-1}BQ)^2 &= (Q^{-1}BQ)(Q^{-1}BQ) = (Q^{-1}B)(QQ^{-1})(BQ) \\ &= (Q^{-1}B)(I)(BQ) = (Q^{-1}B)(BQ) \\ &= Q^{-1}B^2Q \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{by same method } (Q^{-1}BQ)^n = Q^{-1}B^nQ$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow f(A) &= Q^{-1}B^kQ + a_{k-1}Q^{-1}B^{k-1}Q + \dots + a_1Q^{-1}BQ + a_0I \\ &= Q^{-1}(B^k + a_{k-1}B^{k-1} + \dots + a_1B + a_0I)Q \\ &= Q^{-1}f(B)Q \end{aligned}$$

Let $m_A(\alpha)$ and $m_B(\alpha)$ be the minimal polynomials of A and B respectively. then $m_A(B) = m_A(Q A Q^{-1}) = Q m_A(A) Q^{-1} = Q O_{n \times n} Q^{-1} = O_{n \times n}$

So $m_B(\alpha) \mid m_A(\alpha)$

Similarly $m_B(A) = O_{n \times n} \Rightarrow m_A(\alpha) \mid m_B(\alpha)$

$$\Rightarrow m_B(\alpha) = m_A(\alpha).$$

(ii) Assume that a is an eigenvalue of A and $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ is a basis for $E_a(A)$. Prove that $\{Qv_1, Qv_2, \dots, Qv_k\}$ is a basis for $E_a(B)$. [Hint: Observe that $BQ = QA$ and since Q is invertible, $Qw = 0_n$ iff $w = 0_n$]

To show the $BQv_i = aQv_i \quad \forall i \quad 1 \leq i \leq k$

$$BQv_i = QA v_i = Q(av_i) \quad (\text{since } a \text{ is an eigenvalue of } A) \\ = a(Qv_i)$$

$\therefore Qv_i$ is an eigenvector of B .

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & \dots & v_k \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{matrix}} w = 0_v \quad \text{iff} \quad w = 0_v$$

then

$$Q \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & \dots & v_k \end{pmatrix} w = 0_v \quad \text{iff} \quad w = 0_v$$

$\Rightarrow Qv_i$ are independent for $1 \leq i \leq k$

$\Rightarrow \{Qv_1, \dots, Qv_k\}$ are basis for $E_a(B)$

Since Q and L are invertible, QL is invertible. Note that $QL = \text{MATRIX}(Qv_1, \dots, Qv_k)$. $QLw = 0$ iff $w = 0$. see another solution (similar idea as my comments as in Jamila's solution)

QUESTION 2. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(i) Find $m_A(\alpha)$ and all eigenvalues of A .

$$C_A(\alpha) = |\alpha I - A| = \begin{vmatrix} \alpha & -4 \\ -1 & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = \alpha^2 - 4 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha = \pm 2 \text{ are the eigenvalues}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 2)(\alpha + 2)$$

(ii) If A is diagonalizable, then find an invertible matrix Q and a diagonal matrix D such that $Q^{-1}AQ = D$.

$$E_2(A) = \text{span}\{(2, 1)\}$$

$$E_{-2}(A) = \text{span}\{(-2, 1)\}$$

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 & 1/2 \\ -1/4 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D = Q^{-1}AQ = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(iii) Find A^{16} and A^{15} . [Hint: note that if $A = QDQ^{-1}$, then $A^m = QD^mQ^{-1}$ and $A^{15} = A^{-1}A^{16}$]

$$A^{16} = QD^{16}Q^{-1} = Q \begin{pmatrix} 65536 & 0 \\ 0 & 65536 \end{pmatrix} Q^{-1}$$

$$A^{15} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1/4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 65536 & 0 \\ 0 & 65536 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 65536 \\ 16384 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(iv) Convince me that $A^9 + A^7 + 4A^5 + 2A^3 + 7I_2 = c_1A + c_2I_2$ for some real numbers c_1, c_2 . Then find $A^9 + A^7 + 4A^5 + 2A^3 + 7I_2$. [Hint: Let $f(\alpha) = \alpha^9 + \alpha^7 + 4\alpha^5 + 2\alpha^3 + 7$. Then $f(\alpha) = q(\alpha)m_A(\alpha) + r(\alpha)$ such that $\deg(r) < \deg(m(\alpha))$. Since $m_A(A) = 0_{2 \times 2}$, we have $f(A) = r(A)$.]

$$\begin{array}{r} \alpha^7 + 5\alpha^3 + 5\alpha^5 + 24\alpha^3 + 98\alpha^3 \quad q(\alpha) \\ \alpha^2 - 4 \overline{) \alpha^9 + \alpha^7 + 4\alpha^5 + 2\alpha^3 + 7} \\ \underline{- \alpha^9 + 4\alpha^7} \quad \downarrow \\ 0 + 5\alpha^7 + 4\alpha^5 \\ \underline{- 5\alpha^7 + 20\alpha^5} \quad \downarrow \\ 0 + 24\alpha^5 + 2\alpha^3 \\ \underline{- 24\alpha^5 + 96\alpha^3} \\ 0 + 98\alpha^3 + 7 \\ \underline{- 98\alpha^3 + 392\alpha} \\ 392\alpha + 7 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(\alpha) = q(\alpha)m_A(\alpha) + r(\alpha)$$

$$f(A) = r(A)$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = 392$$

$$c_2 = 7$$

$$A^9 + A^7 + 4A^5 + 2A^3 + 7I_2 = 392A + 7I$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1568 \\ 392 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 1568 \\ 392 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

QUESTION 3. (i) Let $f(\alpha)$ be a polynomial such that $f(A) = 0_{n \times n}$. Convince me that $m_A(\alpha) \mid f(\alpha)$.

Divide $f(\alpha)$ by $m_A(\alpha)$. So $f(\alpha) = q(\alpha)m_A(\alpha) + r(\alpha)$

$$f(A) = q(A)m_A(A) + r(A)$$

$$0_{n \times n} = 0_{n \times n} + r(A) \Rightarrow r(A) = 0_{n \times n}$$

$0 \leq \deg(r(\alpha)) < \deg(m_A(\alpha))$ (but $m_A(\alpha)$ is the minimal such that $m_A(A) = 0$).

$$\text{So } r(\alpha) = 0_V$$

$$\Rightarrow m_A(\alpha) \mid f(\alpha)$$

(ii) Up to similarity, classify all 5×5 matrices such that $A^2 - 5A = -6I_5$. [Hint: Let $f(\alpha) = \alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 6$. Hence, by hypothesis, $f(A) = 0_{5 \times 5}$. By (i), $m_A(\alpha) \mid f(\alpha)$. Hence $m_A(\alpha) = \alpha - 2$ OR $m_A(\alpha) = \alpha - 3$ OR $m_A(\alpha) = f(\alpha)$.]

• if $m_A(\alpha) = \alpha - 2$.

$$\text{then, } C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 2)^5$$

$$A \cong C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C(\alpha - 2)$$

• if $m_A(\alpha) = \alpha - 3$

$$\text{then, } C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 3)^5$$

$$A \cong C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha - 3) \oplus C(\alpha - 3)$$

• if $m_A(\alpha) = \alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 6 = (\alpha - 2)(\alpha - 3)$

case 1: $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 2)^3 (\alpha - 3)^2$

$$A \cong C(\alpha - 2) \oplus C((\alpha - 2)(\alpha - 3)) \oplus C((\alpha - 2)(\alpha - 3))$$

case 2: $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha-2)^2 (\alpha-3)^3$

$$A \approx C(\alpha-3) \oplus C((\alpha-2)(\alpha-3)) \oplus C((\alpha-2)(\alpha-3))$$

case 3: $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha-2)^4 (\alpha-3)^1$

$$A \approx C(\alpha-2) \oplus C(\alpha-2) \oplus C(\alpha-2) \oplus C((\alpha-2)(\alpha-3))$$

case 4: $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha-2)^1 (\alpha-3)^4$

$$A \approx C(\alpha-3) \oplus C(\alpha-3) \oplus C(\alpha-3) \oplus C((\alpha-2)(\alpha-3))$$

(iii) Let A be a 4×4 such that A is similar to $H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -18 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

- Find $C_A(\alpha)$ and $m_A(\alpha)$.
- For each eigenvalue a of A find $\dim(E_a(A))$ [Hint: $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 1)(\alpha^2 - 9)$]
- Theoretically, how do you construct the columns of the invertible matrix Q where $Q^{-1}AQ = H$?

a. $C_A(\alpha) = \alpha^4 - 2\alpha^3 - 8\alpha^2 + 18\alpha - 9 = (\alpha-1)^2 (\alpha+3) (\alpha-3)$

H is not diagonalizable, so $m_A(\alpha) \neq (\alpha-1)(\alpha+3)(\alpha-3)$
 $\hookrightarrow m_A(\alpha) = C_A(\alpha)$

b. $\dim(E_1(A)) = 1, \dim(E_3(A)) = 1, \dim(E_{-3}(A)) = 1$

~~c. Let v_1 be the eigenvector of $\alpha=1$. then we expand it to a basis $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ for \mathbb{R}^4 . then $Q = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & v_4 \end{pmatrix}$~~

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QUESTION 4. (1) Give me an example of a matrix A such that $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^5(\alpha - 4)^3$ and $m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 4)^2$ where $E_1(A) = 3$ [Hint: Write down your answer as $A = C() \oplus C() \oplus \dots \oplus C()$]

$$f_k = (\alpha - 1)^2 (\alpha - 4)^2$$

$$f_2 = (\alpha - 1)^2 (\alpha - 4)$$

$$f_1 = (\alpha - 1)$$



$$A = C(\alpha - 1) \oplus C((\alpha - 1)(\alpha - 4)) \oplus C((\alpha - 1)^2 (\alpha - 4)^2)$$

(2) Give me an example of a matrix A such that $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^5(\alpha - 4)^3$ and $m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 4)^2$ where $E_1(A) = 4$.

$$f_4 = (\alpha - 1)^2 (\alpha - 4)^2$$

$$f_3 = (\alpha - 1) (\alpha - 4)$$

$$f_2 = (\alpha - 1)$$

$$f_1 = (\alpha - 1)$$



$$A = C(\alpha - 1) \oplus C(\alpha - 1) \oplus C(\alpha - 1)(\alpha - 4) \oplus C((\alpha - 1)^2 (\alpha - 4)^2)$$

(3) Is there a matrix A such that $C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^5(\alpha - 4)^3$ and $m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 4)^2$ where $E_4(A) = 3$? Explain briefly

No, since $\dim(E_4(A)) = 3$, $(\alpha - 4)$ must be a factor

for 3 f_i 's for $0 \leq i \leq k$

but $f_k = m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)^2 (\alpha - 4)^2$.

So we only need one more $(\alpha - 1)$ to satisfy

$$f_1 \cdot f_2 \cdot \dots \cdot f_k = C_A(\alpha).$$



QUESTION 5. Given A is similar to $H = C(\alpha - 4) \oplus C(\alpha - 4) \oplus C(\alpha^2 + \alpha - 20) \oplus C(\alpha^2 + \alpha - 20)$

- (i) Find $C_A(\alpha)$ and $m_A(\alpha)$.
- (ii) For each eigenvalue a of A find $\dim(E_a(A))$
- (iii) Is A diagonalizable? explain briefly
- (iv) Explicitly, write down the entries of H .

$$(i) \quad C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 4)^4 (\alpha + 5)^2$$
$$m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha - 4)(\alpha + 5)$$

$$(ii) \quad \dim(E_4(A)) = 4, \quad \dim(E_{-5}(A)) = 2$$

(iii) Yes, because $m_A(\alpha)$ is the product of linear factors.

$$(iv) \quad C(\alpha - 4) = (4)$$
$$C(\alpha^2 + \alpha - 20) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 20 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

distinct

$$H = (4) \oplus (4) \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 20 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 20 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 20 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 20 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 20 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 20 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Question 6.

(2) Given A is similar to $J = J_1(2) \oplus J_1(2) \oplus J_3(2) \oplus J_2(5) \oplus J_4(5) \oplus J_5(7)$.

(i) Find $C_A(\alpha)$ and $m_A(\alpha)$.

(ii) For each eigenvalue a of A find $\dim(E_a(A))$.

(iii) A is similar to a matrix H in rational form. Find H . [Hint: write $H = C() \oplus \dots \oplus C()$]

$$(i) \quad C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha-2)(\alpha-2)(\alpha-2)^3(\alpha-5)^2(\alpha-5)^4(\alpha-7)^5$$
$$m_A(\alpha) = (\alpha-2)^3(\alpha-5)^4(\alpha-7)^5$$

$$(ii) \quad \dim(E_2(A)) = 3$$

$$\dim(E_5(A)) = 2$$

$$\dim(E_7(A)) = 1$$

$$(iii) \quad f_k = (\alpha-2)^3(\alpha-5)^4(\alpha-7)^5$$

$$C_A(\alpha) = (\alpha-2)^5(\alpha-5)^6(\alpha-7)^5$$

$$f_1 \cdot f_2 \cdot \dots \cdot f_{k-1} = (\alpha-2)^2(\alpha-5)^2$$

$$f_3 = m_A(\alpha)$$

$$f_2 = (\alpha-2)(\alpha-5)^2$$

$$f_1 = (\alpha-2)$$

$$H = C(\alpha-2) \oplus C((\alpha-2)(\alpha-5)^2) \oplus C(m_A(\alpha))$$

QUESTION 7. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow P_2$ such that $T(a, b) = bx + 2a + b$. Define $\langle f_1, f_2 \rangle_{P_2} = \int_0^1 f_1 f_2 dx$ and $\langle q_1, q_2 \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^2} = q_1 \cdot q_2$. Find T^a (the adjoint operator of T)

$$T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow P_2 \quad V = \mathbb{R}^2, (a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$T^a : P_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \quad W = P_2, a, x + a_2 \in P_2$$

$$\langle T(v), w \rangle_W = \langle v, T^a(w) \rangle_V$$

$$\langle T(a, b), a, x + a_2 \rangle_{P_2} = \langle (a, b), T^a(a, x + a_2) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^2}$$

$$\langle bx + 2a + b, a, x + a_2 \rangle_{P_2} = \int_0^1 (bx + 2a + b)(a, x + a_2) dx$$

$$= \frac{ba_1}{3} + \frac{(ba_2 + 2aa_1 + ba_1)}{2} + (2aa_2 + ba_2) \dots \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{let } T^a(a, x + a_2) = (a_3, a_4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle (a, b), T^a(a, x + a_2) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^2} = \langle (a, b), (a_3, a_4) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^2}$$

$$= aa_3 + ba_4 \dots \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{1} = \textcircled{2}$$

$$\frac{ba_1}{3} + \frac{(ba_2 + 2aa_1 + ba_1)}{2} + (2aa_2 + ba_2) = aa_3 + ba_4$$

$$\left(\frac{a_1}{3} + \frac{3a_2}{2} + \frac{a_1}{2} \right) b + (a_1 + 2a_2)a = aa_3 + ba_4$$

$$\Rightarrow a_3 = a_1 + 2a_2$$

$$a_4 = \frac{a_1}{3} + \frac{3a_2}{2} + \frac{a_1}{2}$$

$$T^a(a, x + a_2) = \left(a_1 + 2a_2, \frac{5a_1}{6} + \frac{3a_2}{2} \right)$$
