

## Chapter 5 Diagonalization

This chapter is concerned with the so-called diagonalization problem. For a given linear operator  $T$  on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ , we seek answers to the following questions.

1. Does there exist an ordered basis  $\beta$  for  $V$  such that  $[T]_{\beta}$  is a diagonal matrix?
2. If such a basis exists, how can it be found?

A solution to the diagonalization problem leads naturally to the concepts of eigenvalue and eigenvector.

給定有限維度向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子，是否存在有序基底  $\beta$  可使得  $[T]_{\beta}$  為一對角矩陣？該基底如何找出來？要解決對角問題，自然得引進 Eigenvalue 與 Eigenvector 的觀念。

### 5-1 Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

#### DEFINITION 5.1 Diagonalizable (可對角化)

A linear operator  $T$  on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$  is called diagonalizable if there is an ordered basis  $\beta$  for  $V$  such that  $[T]_{\beta}$  is a diagonal matrix. A square matrix  $A$  is called diagonalizable if  $L_A$  is diagonalizable.

在有限維度向量空間  $V$  中，一有序基底  $\beta$  可以使得  $[T]_{\beta}$  成為一對角矩陣，則該線性運算子  $T$  被稱為「可對角化」。若  $L_A$  可對角化，則  $A$  稱為可對角化。

#### DEFINITION 2.12

Suppose that  $V$  and  $W$  are finite-dimensional vector spaces with ordered bases  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $\gamma = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\}$ , respectively. Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be linear. Then for each  $j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , there exist unique scalars  $a_{ij} \in F$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , such that

$$T(v_j) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij} w_i \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n$$

We call the  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  defined by  $A_{ij} = a_{ij}$  the matrix representation of  $T$  in the ordered bases  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  and write  $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ .

If  $V = W$  and  $\beta = \gamma$ , then we write  $A = [T]_{\beta}$ .

設  $V$  與  $W$  分別為有限維度的向量空間， $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  與  $\gamma = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$  分別為  $V$  與  $W$  的有序基底，且  $T: V \rightarrow W$  為  $V$  映至  $W$  的線性轉換。

對每一個  $j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq n$ ) 而言，存在唯一的純量  $a_{ij} \in F$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ )，使得

$$T(v_j) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij} w_i \circ$$

將  $m \times n$  的矩陣  $A$  定義為  $A_{ij} = a_{ij}$ ，並稱呼  $A$  為線性轉換  $T$  的矩陣表達方式。在  $V$  與  $W$  分別以  $\beta$  與  $\gamma$  作為有序基底， $A$  可註記為  $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ 。

若  $V = W$  且  $\beta = \gamma$ ，則  $A = [T]_{\beta}$ 。

**提示：**  $T(v_j) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij} w_i$  為「將  $v_j$  的像  $T(v_j)$  表達成有序基底  $\gamma$  的線性組合」。

We want to determine when a linear operator  $T$  on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$  is diagonalizable and, if so, how to obtain an ordered basis  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  for  $V$  such that  $[T]_{\beta}$  is a diagonal matrix. If  $D = [T]_{\beta}$  is a diagonal matrix, then for each vector  $v_j \in \beta$ , we have

$$T(v_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n D_{ij} v_i = D_{jj} v_j = \lambda_j v_j \quad \text{where } \lambda_j = D_{jj}.$$

Conversely, if  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is an ordered basis for  $V$  such that  $T(v_j) = \lambda_j v_j$  for some scalars  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ , then clearly

$$[T]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

當有限維度向量空間  $V$  內的線性運算子  $T$  可以對角化時，如何找到有序基底  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ ？可以使得  $[T]_{\beta}$  成為對角矩陣。

若  $D = [T]_{\beta}$  為對角矩陣，則對於每一向量  $v_j \in \beta$  而言，

$$T(v_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n D_{ij} v_i = D_{jj} v_j = \lambda_j v_j \quad \text{where } \lambda_j = D_{jj} \quad (\text{將 } v_j \text{ 的運算結果 } T(v_j) \text{ 表達成有序基底 } \beta \text{ 的線性組合}) \circ$$

反之，若  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  為  $V$  的有序基底，滿足  $T(v_j) = \lambda_j v_j$ ，則

$$[T]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{以為基底 } \beta \text{ 的運算子 } T \text{ 的矩陣表達方式})。$$

$D = [T]_{\beta}$  = Definition 2.12 的  $A$ ，相當於 Definition 2.12 的  $V = W$  且  $\beta = \gamma$ 。

## DEFINITION 5.2 Eigenvectors & Eigenvalues (固有向量與固有值)

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a vector space  $V$ . A nonzero vector  $v \in V$  is called an eigenvector of  $T$  if there exists a scalar  $\lambda$  such that  $T(v) = \lambda v$ . The scalar  $\lambda$  is called the eigenvalues corresponding to the eigenvector  $v$ .

令  $T$  為向量空間  $V$  中的線性運算子，對  $V$  中任一非零向量  $v$  而言，若存在純量  $\lambda$  使得  $T(v) = \lambda v$ ，則稱  $v$  為  $T$  的 Eigenvector (固有向量)， $\lambda$  為對應  $v$  的 Eigenvalue (固有值)。

Let  $A$  be in  $M_{n \times n}(F)$ . A nonzero vector  $v \in F^n$  is called an eigenvector of  $A$  if  $v$  is an eigenvector of  $L_A$ ; that is, if  $Av = \lambda v$  for some scalar  $\lambda$ . The scalar  $\lambda$  is called the eigenvalue corresponding to the eigenvector  $v$ .

令  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ ，對屬於  $F^n$  的非零向量  $v$  而言，若  $v$  是  $L_A$  的 Eigenvector，則  $v$  稱為  $A$  的 Eigenvector。若純量  $\lambda$ ，滿足  $Av = \lambda v$ ，則  $\lambda$  稱為對應於 Eigenvector  $v$  的 Eigenvalue。

Characteristic vector  $\equiv$  Proper vector  $\equiv$  Eigenvector.

Characteristic value  $\equiv$  Proper value  $\equiv$  Eigenvalue.

## Theorem 5.1

A linear operator  $T$  on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$  is diagonalizable if and only if there exists an ordered basis  $\beta$  for  $V$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ . Furthermore, if  $T$  is diagonalizable,  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is an ordered basis of eigenvectors of  $T$ , and  $D = [T]_{\beta}$ , then  $D$  is a diagonal matrix and  $D_{jj}$  is the eigenvalue corresponding to  $v_j$  for  $1 \leq j \leq n$ .

在有限維度向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子  $T$  為可對角化，其「IF AND ONLY IF」條件為  $V$  內存在有序基底  $\beta$  且該基底係由  $T$  的 Eigenvectors 所組成。再者，若線性運算子  $T$  為可對角化， $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  是  $T$  的 Eigenvectors 所組成的有序基底，且  $D =$

$[T]_{\beta}$ ，則  $D$  是一對角化矩陣且  $D_{jj}$ （對角矩陣的元素）為對應 Eigenvectors  $v_j$  的 Eigenvalues。

To diagonalize a matrix or a linear operator is to find a basis of eigenvectors and the corresponding eigenvalues.

要將矩陣或線性運算子對角化，則必須找出該矩陣或線性運算子的 Eigenvectors 與 Eigenvalues。

### EXAMPLE 1

Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Since  $L_A(v_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = -2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = -2v_1$ ,  $v_1$  is an eigenvector of  $L_A$ ,

and hence of  $A$ .

Here  $\lambda_1 = -2$  is the eigenvalue corresponding to  $v_1$ .

$v_1$  是  $L_A$  的 eigenvector。

$\lambda_1 = -2$  是對應  $v_1$  的 eigenvalue。

Furthermore,  $L_A(v_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix} = 5 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 5v_2$  and so  $v_2$  is an eigenvector

of  $L_A$ , and hence of  $A$ , with the corresponding to eigenvalue  $\lambda_2 = 5$ .

$v_2$  是  $L_A$  的 eigenvector。

$\lambda_2 = 5$  是對應  $v_2$  的 eigenvalue。

Note that  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2\}$  is an ordered basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  consisting of eigenvector of both of  $A$  and  $L_A$ , and therefore  $A$  and  $L_A$  are diagonalizable.

基底  $\beta$  由 Eigenvector  $v_1$  與  $v_2$  組成。

Moreover, by Theorem 5.1,

$$[L_A]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \text{ (對角線元素為 Eigenvalues。)}$$

### EXAMPLE 2

Let  $T$  be the linear operator on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that rotates each vector in the plane through an angle of  $\pi/2$ . It is clear geometrically that for any nonzero vector  $v$ , the vector  $v$  and  $T(v)$

are not collinear; hence  $T(v)$  is not a multiple of  $v$ . Therefore  $T$  has no eigenvectors and, consequently, no eigenvalues. Thus there exist operators (and matrices) with no eigenvalues or eigenvectors. Of course, such operators and matrices are not diagonalizable.

$T$  是  $\mathbb{R}^2$  的線性運算子，該運算子係將平面上的每一個向量旋轉  $\pi/2$ 。對任何非零向量  $v$  而言，經過線性運算子  $T$  處理後  $v$  與  $T(v)$  不共線， $T(v)$  也不是  $v$  的倍數，因此  $T$  沒有 Eigenvector 也沒有 Eigenvalue。這種沒有 Eigenvector 與 Eigenvalue 的運算子或矩陣，當然也就不可對角化。

In order to obtain a basis of eigenvectors for a matrix (or a linear operator), we need to be able to determine its eigenvalues and eigenvectors. The following theorem gives us a method for computing eigenvalues.

爲了求矩陣或線性運算子的 Eigenvector 所組成的基底，必須求該矩陣或線性運算子的 Eigenvectors 與 Eigenvalues。

### Theorem 5.2

Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ . Then a scalar  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  if and only if  $\det(A - \lambda I_n) = 0$ .

令  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ ，則  $\lambda$  是  $A$  的 Eigenvalue 的「若且唯若」條件為  $\det(A - \lambda I_n) = 0$ 。

#### 【Proof】

A scalar  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  if and only if there exists a nonzero vector  $v \in F$  such that  $Av = \lambda v$ , that is  $(A - \lambda I_n)v = 0$ . (存在非零的向量  $v$ 。)

This is true if and only if  $A - \lambda I_n$  is not invertible.

→ Equivalent to say  $\det(A - \lambda I_n) = 0$ 。

### Corollary 矩陣可逆與行列式的關係

A matrix  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$  is invertible if and only if  $\det(A) \neq 0$ . Furthermore, if  $A$  is invertible, then  $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$ .

令  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$  且為可逆的『若且唯若』條件為  $\det(A) \neq 0$ 。再者，若  $A$  可逆，則  $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$ 。

**DEFINITION 5.3 Characteristic polynomial**

Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ . The polynomial  $f(t) = \det(A - tI_n)$  is called the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ .

令  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ ，則多項式  $f(t) = \det(A - tI_n)$  稱為  $A$  的特徵多項式。

Theorem 5.2 states that the eigenvalues of a matrix are the zeros of its characteristic polynomial.

依據 Theorem 5.2 的敘述：矩陣的 Eigenvalues 為該矩陣特徵多項式的根。

**EXAMPLE 4**

To find the eigenvalues of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$$

We compute its characteristic polynomial:

$$\det(A - tI_2) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-t & 1 \\ 4 & 1-t \end{pmatrix} = t^2 - 2t + 3 = (t-3)(t+1)$$

**The eigenvalues of  $A$  are 3 and -1.**

**DEFINITION 5.4 Characteristic polynomial**

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on an  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $V$  with ordered basis  $\beta$ . We define the characteristic polynomial  $f(t)$  of  $T$  to be the characteristic polynomial of  $A = [T]_\beta$ . That is  $f(t) = \det(A - tI_n)$ .

令  $T$  為  $n$  維向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子，該向量空間的有序基底為  $\beta$ 。  $T$  的特徵多項式即為  $A = [T]_\beta$  的特徵多項式。即  $f(t) = \det(A - tI_n)$ 。

If  $T$  is a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$  and  $\beta$  is an ordered basis for  $V$ , then  $\lambda$  is eigenvalue of  $T$  if and only if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $[T]_\beta$ . We often denote the characteristic polynomial of an operator  $T$  by  $\det(T - tI)$ .

若  $T$  為有限維度向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子， $\beta$  為  $V$  的有序基底，則  $\lambda$  為  $T$  的 Eigenvalue 的「若且唯若」條件為  $\lambda$  是  $[T]_\beta$  的 Eigenvalue。我們經常將  $T$  的特徵多項式表達成為  $\det(T - tI)$ 。

**EXAMPLE 5**

Let  $T$  be the linear operator on  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  defined by  $T(f(x)) = f(x) + (x+1)f'(x)$ , let  $\beta$  be the standard ordered basis for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ , and let  $A = [T]_{\beta}$ . Then

有序基底  $\beta = \{1, x, x^2\}$ ，因

$$T(1) = 1 = 1 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2$$

$$T(x) = 1 + 2x = 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2$$

$$T(x^2) = 0 + 2x + 3x^2 = 0 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot x + 3 \cdot x^2$$

$$\text{所以 } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = [T]_{\beta}$$

The characteristic polynomial of  $T$  is

$$\det(A - tI_3) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-t & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-t & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3-t \end{vmatrix} = \dots = -(t-1)(t-2)(t-3)$$

此為  $T$  的特徵多項式，解出特徵多項式的根，即為  $T$  的 Eigenvalues。

Hence  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$  (or  $A$ ) if and only if  $\lambda = 1, 2$ , or  $3$ .

**Theorem 5.3**

Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ .

- (a) The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is a polynomial of degree  $n$  with leading coefficient  $(-1)^n$ .
- (b)  $A$  has at most  $n$  distinct eigenvalues.

令  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ ，則

- (a)  $A$  的特徵多項式是一個  $n$  階的多項式且其領導係數為  $(-1)^n$ 。
- (b)  $A$  最多有  $n$  個相異的 Eigenvalues。

**Theorem 5.4**

Let  $T$  be the linear operator on a vector space  $V$ , and let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $T$ . A vector  $v \in V$  is an eigenvector of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda$  if and only if  $v \neq 0$  and  $v \in N(T - \lambda I)$ .

令  $T$  為向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子，且  $\lambda$  是  $T$  的 Eigenvalue，有一個屬於  $V$  的向量  $v$  ( $v \in V$ ) 是  $T$  對應於  $\lambda$  的 Eigenvector，則其「若且唯若」條件為  $v \neq 0$  且  $v \in N(T - \lambda I)$ 。

$$\in N(T - \lambda I)。$$

$v \neq 0$  and  $v \in N(T - \lambda I)$ : The eigenvectors of  $T$  corresponding to the eigenvalues  $\lambda$  are the nonzero vectors in the null space of  $T - \lambda I$ .

「 $v \neq 0$  &  $v \in N(T - \lambda I)$ 」表示：對應 Eigenvalue  $\lambda$  的 Eigenvectors  $v$  為  $T - \lambda I$  的零核空間 (Null space) 內的非零向量。

$$N(T - \lambda I) = \{v \in V: T(v) = 0\}。$$

### DEFINITION 2.7 Null space or Kernel

Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector space, and let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be linear. We define the null space (or kernel)  $N(T)$  of  $T$  to be the set of all vectors  $x$  in  $V$  such that  $T(x) = 0$ ; that is,  $N(T) = \{x \in V: T(x) = 0\}$ .

$V$  與  $W$  為向量空間，且  $T: V \rightarrow W$  為線性轉換。定義線性轉換  $T$  的 Null space 為  $V$  內所有滿足  $T(x) = 0$  的向量  $x$  所形成的集合，註記為  $N(T)$ 。Null space 的元素  $x$  經線性轉換  $T$  轉換後所對應的「像」為  $0$ ，意即  $T(x) = 0$ 。Null space 內的元素的「像」皆為  $0$ 。

註： $T$  的 NULL SPACE 是  $V$  內「 $T(x) = 0$ 」的元素所形成的集合，「定義域  $V$ 」這一端的子集合。

### EXAMPLE 6

To find all the eigenvectors of the matrix.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ in Example 4, recall that } A \text{ has two eigenvalues, } \lambda_1 = 3 \text{ and } \lambda_2 =$$

-1.

由 EXAMPLE 4 得知，矩陣  $A$  的 Eigenvalues 為  $\lambda_1 = 3$ 、 $\lambda_2 = -1$ 。

We begin by finding all the eigenvectors corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 3$ .

$$\text{Let } B_1 = A - \lambda_1 I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  is an eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 3$  if and only if  $x \neq 0$

and  $x \in N(L_{B_1})$ ; that is,  $x \neq 0$  and

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2x_1 + x_2 \\ 4x_1 - 2x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Clearly the set of all solutions to this equation is

$$\left\{ t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

Hence  $x$  is an eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 3$  if and only if

$$x = t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ for some } t \neq 0.$$

$x$  是相對應  $\lambda_1 = 3$  的 Eigenvector。

Now suppose that  $x$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  corresponding to  $\lambda_2 = -1$ . Let

$$B_2 = A - \lambda_2 I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in N(L_{B_2})$  if and only if  $x$  is a solution to the system

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x_1 + x_2 \\ 4x_1 + 2x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence

$$N(L_{B_2}) = \left\{ t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}; t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Thus  $x$  is an eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda_2 = -1$  if and only if

$$x = t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ for some } t \neq 0.$$

$x$  是相對應  $\lambda_2 = -1$  的 Eigenvector。

Observe that  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ .

Thus  $L_A$ , and hence  $A$ , is diagonalizable.

$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  是  $A$  的 Eigenvector 組成的  $\mathbb{R}^2$  的一組基底。

因此  $L_A$ , 即  $A$  是可對角化的。

Suppose that  $\beta$  is a basis for  $F^n$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ . The corollary to Theorem

2.23 assures us that if  $Q$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix whose columns are the vectors in  $\beta$ , then  $Q^{-1}AQ$  is a diagonal matrix.

設  $\beta$  是  $F^n$  的一組基底，由  $A$  的 Eigenvectors 所組成，由 Theorem 2.23 的 Collary 得知：若  $Q$  為  $n \times n$  的矩陣，且  $Q$  矩陣的行 (Column) 為  $\beta$  的向量，則  $Q^{-1}AQ$  為一對角矩陣。

In Example 6, for instance, if

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then

$$Q^{-1}AQ = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The diagonal entries of this matrix are the eigenvalues of  $A$  that correspond to the respective column of  $Q$ .

對角矩陣的對角線元素為  $A$  的 Eigenvalues，分別對應  $Q$  的行 (為  $A$  的 Eigenvector)。

### Theorem 2.23

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ , and let  $\beta$  and  $\beta'$  be ordered bases for  $V$ . Suppose that  $Q$  is the change of coordinate matrix that changes  $\beta'$ -coordinates into  $\beta$ -coordinates. Then

$$[T]_{\beta'} = Q^{-1}[T]_{\beta}Q.$$

$T$  為有限維度向量空間  $V$  的一個線性運算子，令  $\beta$  與  $\beta'$  為有限維度空間向量  $V$  的兩個有序基底，且  $Q$  為由  $\beta'$  座標系變換至  $\beta$  座標系的座標變換矩陣，則  $[T]_{\beta'} = Q^{-1}[T]_{\beta}Q$ 。

#### 【Proof】

Let  $I$  be the identity transformation on  $V$ . Then  $T = IT = TI$ ; hence,

$$\text{by Theorem 2.11, } Q[T]_{\beta'} = [I]_{\beta'}^{\beta}[T]_{\beta'}^{\beta'} = [IT]_{\beta'}^{\beta} = [TI]_{\beta'}^{\beta} = [T]_{\beta}^{\beta}[I]_{\beta'}^{\beta} = [T]_{\beta}Q$$

Therefore  $[T]_{\beta'} = Q^{-1}[T]_{\beta}Q$

令  $I$  是  $V$  上的單位轉換 (Identity transformation  $I_V: V \rightarrow V$  by  $I_V(x) = x$  for all  $x \in V$ )，則  $IT = TI = T$ 。

$$\text{因 } Q = [I_V]_{\beta'}^{\beta} \rightarrow Q[T]_{\beta'} = [I]_{\beta'}^{\beta} [T]_{\beta'}$$

依據 Theorem 2.11 得知：

$$Q[T]_{\beta'} = [I]_{\beta'}^{\beta} [T]_{\beta'} = [IT]_{\beta'}^{\beta} = [TI]_{\beta'}^{\beta} = [T]_{\beta}^{\beta} [I]_{\beta'}^{\beta} = [T]_{\beta} Q$$

因此， $[T]_{\beta'} = Q^{-1}[T]_{\beta} Q$ 。

**Theorem 2.11** Let  $V, W,$  and  $Z$  be finite-dimensional vector space with ordered bases  $\alpha, \beta,$  and  $\gamma,$  respectively. Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  and  $U: W \rightarrow Z$  be linear transformation. Then  $[UT]_{\alpha}^{\gamma} = [U]_{\beta}^{\gamma} [T]_{\alpha}^{\beta}$ . 令  $V, W$  與  $Z$  是有限維度的向量空間， $\alpha, \beta$  與  $\gamma$  分別為  $V, W$  與  $Z$  的有序基底。令  $T: V \rightarrow W$  (先) 且  $U: W \rightarrow Z$  (後)，則  $[UT]_{\alpha}^{\gamma} = [U]_{\beta}^{\gamma} [T]_{\alpha}^{\beta}$ 。

令  $V, W$  與  $Z$  是有限維度的向量空間， $\alpha, \beta$  與  $\gamma$  分別為  $V, W$  與  $Z$  的有序基底。令  $T: V \rightarrow W$  (先  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ ) 且  $U: W \rightarrow Z$  (後  $\beta \rightarrow \gamma$ )，則  $[UT]_{\alpha}^{\gamma} = [U]_{\beta}^{\gamma} [T]_{\alpha}^{\beta}$ 。

### Corollary to Theorem 2.23

Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ , and let  $\gamma$  be an ordered basis for  $F^n$ . Then  $[L_A]_{\gamma} = Q^{-1}AQ$ , where  $Q$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix whose  $j$ th column is the  $j^{\text{th}}$  vector of  $\gamma$ .

令  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$  且  $\gamma$  為  $F^n$  的有序基底，則  $[L_A]_{\gamma} = Q^{-1}AQ$ ；其中， $Q$  為  $n \times n$  的矩陣，且其第  $j$  行為  $\gamma$  的第  $j$  個向量。

### DEFINITION 2.20 Standard representation

Let  $\beta$  be an ordered basis for an  $n$ -dimensional vectors space  $V$  over the field. The standard representation of  $V$  with respect to  $\beta$  is the function  $\Phi_{\beta}: V \rightarrow F^n$  defined by  $\Phi_{\beta}(x) = [x]_{\beta}$  for each  $x \in V$ .

令  $\beta$  是維度為  $n$  的向量空間  $V$  的有序基底，則  $V$  相對於  $\beta$  的標準表示式為由  $V$  映至  $F^n$  的函數  $\Phi_{\beta}(x)$  ( $\Phi_{\beta}: V \rightarrow F^n$ )，該函數定義為  $\Phi_{\beta}(x) = [x]_{\beta}$ ；其中， $x \in V$ 。

如何找出  $T$  的 Eigenvector

TO FIND the eigenvectors of a linear operator  $T$  on an  $n$ -dimensional vector space, select an ordered basis  $\beta$  for  $V$  and let  $A = [T]_{\beta}$ . Figure 5.1 is a special case of Section 2.4 in which  $V = W$  and  $\beta = \gamma$ .

Recall that for  $v \in V$ ,  $\Phi_{\beta}(v) = [v]_{\beta}$ , the coordinate vector of  $v$  relative to  $\beta$ .

We show that  $v \in V$  is an eigenvector of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda$  if and only if  $\Phi_\beta(v)$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  corresponding to  $\lambda$ .

Suppose that  $v$  is an eigenvector of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda$ . Then  $T(v) = \lambda v$ . Hence

$$A\Phi_\beta(v) = L_A\Phi_\beta(v) = \Phi_\beta T(v) = \Phi_\beta(\lambda v) = \lambda\Phi_\beta(v)$$

Now  $\Phi_\beta(v) \neq 0$ , since  $\Phi_\beta$  is an isomorphism; hence  $\Phi_\beta(v)$  is an eigenvector of  $A$ .

This argument is reversible. If  $\Phi_\beta(v)$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  corresponding to  $\lambda$ , then  $v$  is an eigenvector of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda$ .

為找出  $n$  維向量空間內線性運算子  $T$  的 Eigenvector，我們選一個有序基底  $\beta$  並令  $A = [T]_\beta$ 。圖 5.1 為 Section 2.4 的一個特例， $V = W$  且  $\beta = \gamma$ 。

對於  $v \in V$ ， $\Phi_\beta(v) = [v]_\beta$  為  $v$  相對於  $\beta$  的座標向量。

證明： $v \in V$  為  $T$  對應  $\lambda$  的 Eigenvector，其「若且唯若」條件為  $\Phi_\beta(v)$  是  $A$  對應  $\lambda$  的 Eigenvector？

假設  $v$  是  $T$  對應  $\lambda$  的 Eigenvector，則  $T(v) = \lambda v$ 。因此

$$A\Phi_\beta(v) = L_A\Phi_\beta(v) = \Phi_\beta T(v) = \Phi_\beta(\lambda v) = \lambda\Phi_\beta(v) \quad (\text{參考 Figure 5.1})$$

$$\rightarrow A\Phi_\beta(v) = \lambda\Phi_\beta(v)$$

由於  $\Phi_\beta$  是一個同構轉換，所以  $\Phi_\beta(v) \neq 0$ ；因此， $\Phi_\beta(v)$  是  $A$  的 Eigenvector。

反之，若  $\Phi_\beta(v)$  是  $A$  對應  $\lambda$  的 Eigenvector，則  $v$  是  $T$  對應  $\lambda$  的 Eigenvector。

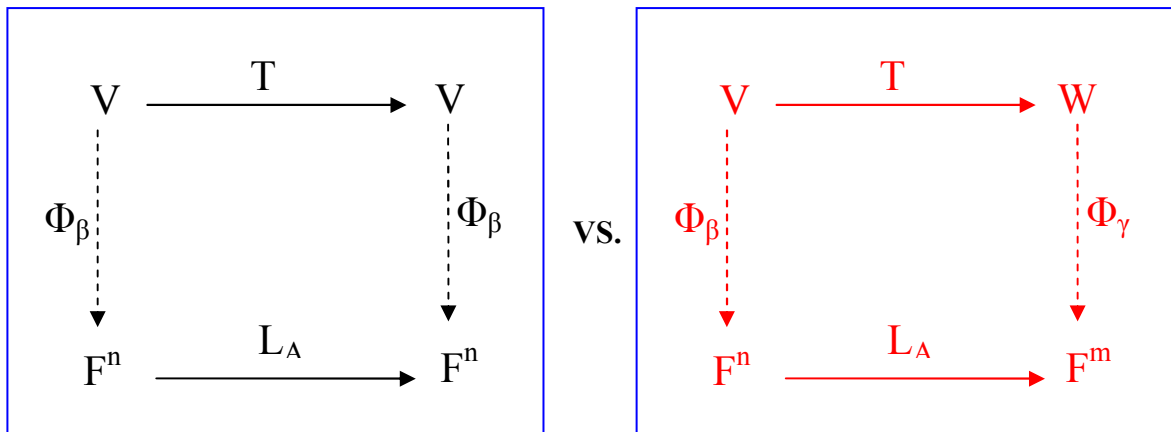


Figure 5.1

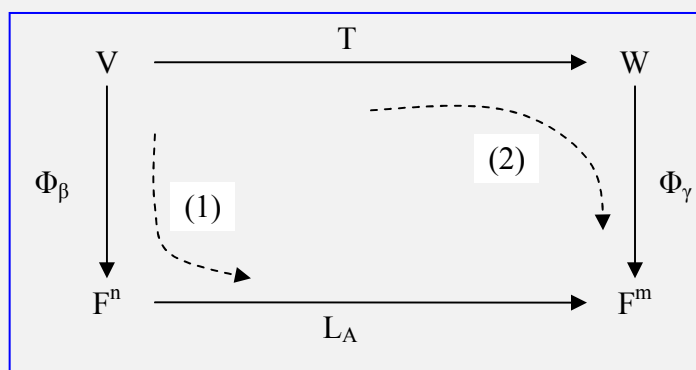
Section 2.4

## CHAPTER 2

Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces of dimensions  $n$  and  $m$ , respectively, and let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation. Defined  $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ , where  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are arbitrary ordered bases of  $V$  and  $W$ , respectively. We are now able to use  $\Phi_{\beta}$  and  $\Phi_{\gamma}$  to study the relationship between the linear transformations  $T$  and  $L_A: F^n \rightarrow F^m$ .

令  $V$  與  $W$  分別為維度  $n$  與  $m$  的向量空間， $T$  為  $V \rightarrow W$  的線性轉換。定義  $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ ，其中  $\beta$  與  $\gamma$  分別為  $V$  與  $W$  的有序基底。我們現在要利用  $\Phi_{\beta}$  與  $\Phi_{\gamma}$  來探討線性轉換  $T$  與  $L_A: F^n \rightarrow F^m$  的關係。

Let us first consider the below figure. Notice that there are two composites of linear transformation that maps  $V$  into  $F^m$ .



1. Map  $V$  into  $F^n$  with  $\Phi_{\beta}$  and follow this transformation with  $L_A$ ; this yields the composite  $L_A\Phi_{\beta}$ .

$V \rightarrow F^n$  的  $\Phi_{\beta}$  (先) 與  $L_A$  (後) 合成為  $L_A\Phi_{\beta}$ 。

2. Map  $V$  into  $W$  with  $T$  and follow it by  $\Phi_{\gamma}$  to obtain the composite  $\Phi_{\gamma}T$ .

$V \rightarrow W$  的  $T$  (先) 與  $\Phi_{\gamma}$  (後) 合成為  $\Phi_{\gamma}T$ 。

We conclude that  $L_A \Phi_\beta = \Phi_\gamma T$ .

An equivalent formulation of the result discussed in the preceding paragraph is that for an eigenvalue of  $\lambda$  of  $A$  (and hence of  $[T]_\beta$ ), a vector  $y \in F^n$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  corresponding to  $\lambda$  if and only if  $\Phi_\beta^{-1}(y)$  is an eigenvector of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda$ .

對  $A$  (或  $[T]_\beta$ ) 的任一 eigenvalue  $\lambda$ ，若向量  $y \in F^n$  是  $A$  相對應於  $\lambda$  的 Eigenvector 其「若且唯若」條件為  $\Phi_\beta^{-1}(y)$  是  $T$  相對應於  $\lambda$  的 Eigenvector。

Thus we have reduced the problem of finding the eigenvectors of a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space to the problem of finding the eigenvectors of a matrix.

將找線性運算子 Eigenvectors 的問題簡化為找矩陣 Eigenvectors 的問題。

### EXAMPLE 7

Let  $T$  be the linear operator on  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  defined in Example 5, and let  $\beta$  be the standard ordered basis for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ . Recall that  $T$  has eigenvalues 1, 2, 3 and that

參考 EXAMPLE 5，有序基底  $\beta = \{1, x, x^2\}$ ，

$$T(1) = 1 = 1 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2$$

$$T(x) = 1 + 2x = 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2$$

$$T(x^2) = 0 + 2x + 3x^2 = 0 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot x + 3 \cdot x^2$$

$$\text{所以 } A = [T]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Eigenvalues  $\lambda = 1, 2, 3$ 。

We consider each eigenvalue separately.

$$\text{Let } \lambda_1 = 1, \text{ and } B_1 = A - \lambda_1 I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is an eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 1$  if and only if  $x \neq 0$

and  $x \in N(L_{B_1})$ ; that is,  $x$  is a nonzero solution to the system

依據 Theorem 5.4,  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  是  $B_1$  相對應  $\lambda_1 = 1$  的 Eigenvector, 其「若且

唯若」條件為  $x \neq 0$  且  $x \in N(L_{B_1})$ ; 即  $x$  是下列方程組的非零解。

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= 0 \\ x_2 + 2x_3 &= 0 \\ 2x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Note that this system has three unknowns,  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ , and  $x_3$ , but one of these,  $x_1$ , does not actually appear in the system. Since the value of  $x_1$  does not affect the system, we assign  $x_1$  a parametric value, say  $x_1 = a$ , and solve the system for  $x_2$  and  $x_3$ . Clearly,  $x_2 = x_3 = 0$ , and so the eigenvectors of  $A$  corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 1$  are of the form

方程組本來有三個未知數, 但其中的  $x_1$  並未出現, 故指定  $x_1$  為一參數值  $a$ , 令  $x_1 = a$ , 並得知  $x_2 = x_3 = 0$ 。因此,  $A$  相對應  $\lambda_1 = 1$  的 Eigenvector 形式為

$$a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = a \cdot e_1 \quad \text{for } a \neq 0.$$

Consequently, the eigenvectors of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 1$  are of the form

所以  $T$  相對應  $\lambda_1 = 1$  的 Eigenvector 形式為

$$\Phi_\beta^{-1}(ae_1) = a\Phi_\beta^{-1}(e_1) = a \cdot 1 = a \quad \text{for any } a \neq 0.$$

Hence the nonzero constant polynomials are the eigenvectors of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 1$ .

因此  $T$  相對應  $\lambda_1 = 1$  的 Eigenvector 是所有非零的常數多項式。

$$\text{Next let } \lambda_2 = 2, \text{ and define } B_2 = A - \lambda_2 I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$A$  相對應  $\lambda_2 = 2$  的 Eigenvector 形式為

$$\text{It is easily verified that } N(L_{B_2}) = \left\{ a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; a \in \mathbb{R} \right\},$$

and hence the eigenvectors of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda_2 = 2$  are of the form

$T$  相對應  $\lambda_2 = 2$  的 Eigenvector 形式

$$\phi_\beta^{-1}\left(a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = a\phi_\beta^{-1}(e_1 + e_2) = a(1 + x) \quad \text{for } a \neq 0.$$

$$\text{Finally, consider } \lambda_3 = 3 \text{ that } B_3 = A - \lambda_3 I = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$A$  相對應  $\lambda_3 = 3$  的 Eigenvector 形式為

$$\text{Since } N(L_{B_3}) = \left\{ a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}; a \in \mathbb{R} \right\},$$

the eigenvectors of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda_3 = 3$  are of the form

$T$  相對應  $\lambda_3 = 3$  的 Eigenvector 的形式

$$\phi_\beta^{-1}\left(a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = a\phi_\beta^{-1}(e_1 + 2e_2 + e_3) = a(1 + 2x + x^2) \quad \text{for } a \neq 0.$$

For each eigenvalue, select the corresponding eigenvector with  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{1}$  in the preceding descriptions to obtain  $\gamma = \{1, 1 + x, 1 + 2x + x^2\}$  ( $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  的有序基底) , **which is an ordered basis for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ . Thus  $T$  is diagonalizable, and**

$$[T]_\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Geometrical description of how a linear operator  $T$  acts on an eigenvector in the context of a vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

在佈於  $\mathbb{R}$  的向量空間  $V$  上，線性運算子  $T$  作用在 Eigenvector 的幾何意義？

Let  $v$  be an eigenvector of  $T$  and  $\lambda$  be the corresponding eigenvalue. We can think of  $W = \text{span}(\{v\})$ , the one-dimensional subspace of  $V$  spanned by  $v$ , as a line in  $V$  that passes through  $0$  and  $v$ . For any  $w \in W$ ,  $w = cv$  for some scalar  $c$ , and hence

$$T(w) = T(cv) = cT(v) = c\lambda v = \lambda w;$$

So  $T$  acts on the vectors in  $W$  by multiplying each such vector by  $\lambda$ . There are several possible ways for  $T$  to act on the vectors in  $W$ , depending on the value of  $\lambda$ .

CASE 1. If  $\lambda > 1$ , then  $T$  moves vectors in  $W$  farther from 0 by a factor of  $\lambda$ .

CASE 2. If  $\lambda = 1$ , then  $T$  acts as the identity operator on  $W$ .

CASE 3. If  $0 < \lambda < 1$ , then  $T$  moves vectors in  $W$  closer to 0 by a factor of  $\lambda$ .

CASE 4. If  $\lambda = 0$ , then  $T$  acts as the zero transformation on  $W$ .

CASE 5. If  $\lambda < 0$ , then  $T$  reverses the orientation of  $W$ ; that is,  $T$  moves vector in  $W$  from one side of 0 to the other.

令  $v$  是  $T$  的 Eigenvector,  $\lambda$  是對應的 Eigenvalue, 並令  $W = \text{span}(\{v\})$  係由  $v$  生成的  $V$  內的一維子空間,  $W$  可以想像成為  $V$  內通過 0 與  $v$  的直線:

$$T(w) = T(cv) = cT(v) = c\lambda v = \lambda w \quad (w \in W, w = cv, c \text{ 為純量。})$$

所以  $T$  作用在  $W$  上的向量係以純量  $\lambda$  乘上  $W$  的每一向量。  $T$  的作用依純量  $\lambda$  值有下列數種可能:

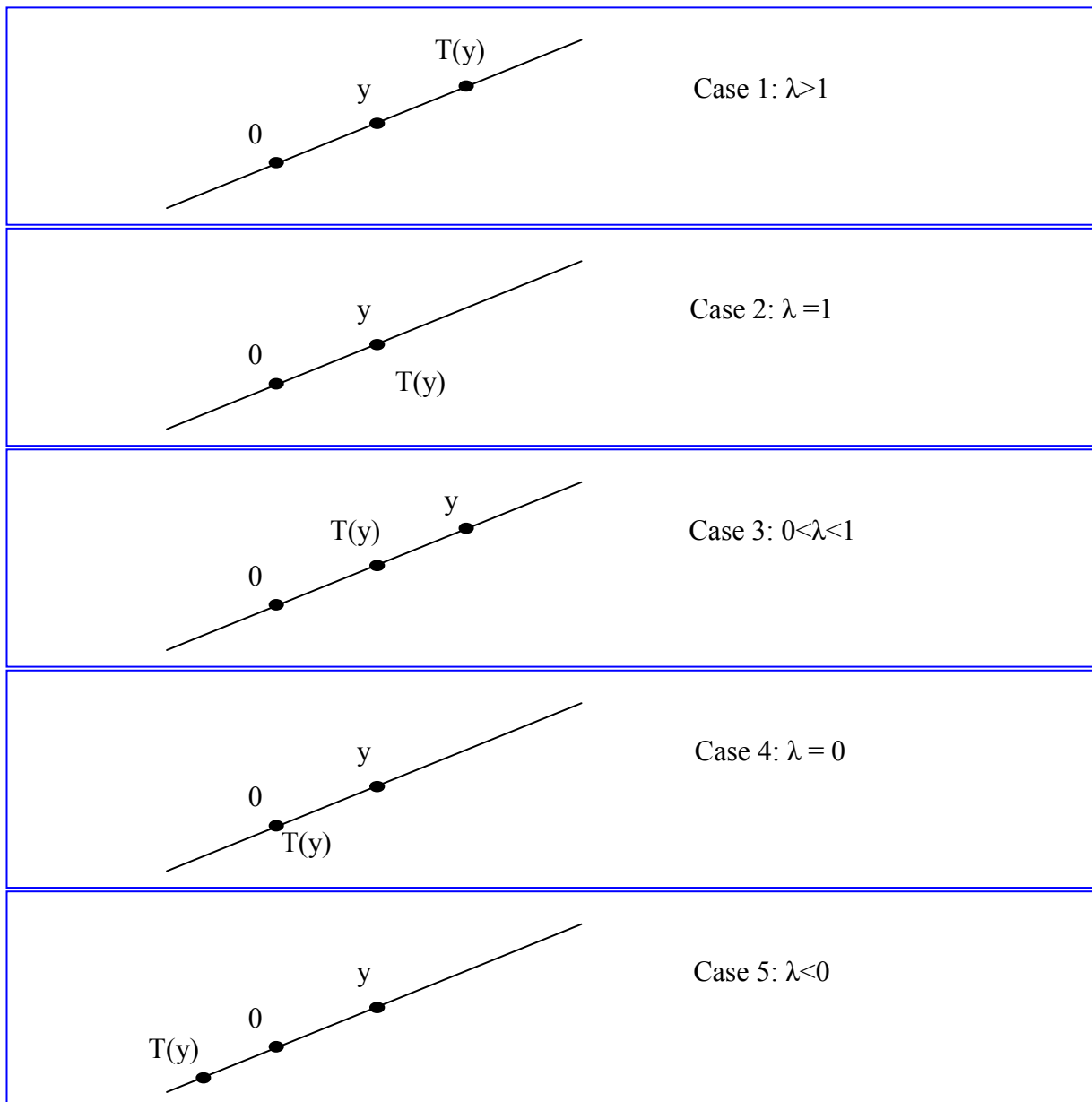
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## 5-2 Diagonalizability

Not all linear operators or matrices are diagonalizable. Although we are able to diagonalize operators and matrices and even obtain a necessary and sufficient condition for diagonalizability, we have not yet solved the diagonalization problem.

並非所有線性運算子或矩陣均可對角化。雖然已經可對運算子與矩陣對角化，甚至知道可對角化的充分與必要條件，但仍未能解決對角化問題。

What is still needed is a simple test to determine whether an operator or a matrix can be

diagonalized, as well as a method for actually finding a basis of eigenvectors.

如何測試運算子或矩陣可被對角線化？找出 Eigenvectors 的方法？

→ Develop such a test and method.

### Theorem 5.5

Let  $T$  be the linear operator on a vector space  $V$ , and let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  be distinct eigenvalues of  $T$ . If  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  are eigenvectors of  $T$  such that  $\lambda_i$  corresponds to  $v_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq k$ ), then  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  is linearly independent.

令  $T$  為向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子，且令  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  為  $T$  的相異 Eigenvalues。若  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  為  $T$  的 Eigenvector，且  $\lambda_i$  與  $v_i$  相對應，則  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  為線性獨立。

### Corollary

Let  $T$  be the linear operator on an  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $V$ . If  $T$  has  $n$  distinct eigenvalues, then  $T$  is diagonalizable.

令  $T$  為  $n$  維向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子，若  $T$  有  $n$  個相異 Eigenvalues，則  $T$  可對角化。

#### 【Proof】

Suppose that  $T$  has  $n$  distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ . For each  $i$  choose an eigenvector  $v_i$  corresponding to  $\lambda_i$ . By Theorem 5.5,  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is linearly independent, and since  $\dim(V) = n$ , this set  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis for  $V$ . This by Theorem 5.1,  $T$  is diagonalizable.

### EXAMPLE 1

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}).$$

The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  (and hence of  $L_A$ ) is

$$\det(A - tI) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-t & 1 \\ 1 & 1-t \end{vmatrix} = t(t-2),$$

and thus the eigenvalues of  $L_A$  are 0 and 2. Since  $L_A$  is a linear operator on the two-dimensional vector space  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , we conclude from the preceding corollary that  $L_A$  (and hence of  $A$ ) is diagonalizable.

$L_A$  (或  $A$ ) 可對角化。

The converse of Theorem 5.5 is false. That is, it is not true that if  $T$  is diagonalizable, then it has  $n$  distinct eigenvalues. For example, the identity operator is diagonalizable even though it has only one eigenvalue, namely,  $\lambda = 1$ .

Theorem 5.5 的逆定理不成立。意即：「若  $T$  可對角化，則  $T$  有  $n$  個相異 Eigenvalues。」不成立。例如，單位運算子為可對角化且只有一個 eigenvalue，即  $\lambda = 1$ 。

### DEFINITION 5.5

A polynomial  $f(t)$  in  $P(F)$  splits over  $F$  if there are scalars  $c, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  (not necessarily distinct) in  $F$  such that

$$f(t) = c(t-a_1)(t-a_2)\dots(t-a_n).$$

$P(F)$  中的多項式  $f(t)$  可以分解成  $F$  中的一次因式 (split over  $F$ )，意指存在  $F$  中有純量  $c, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  (不見得相異) 使得  $f(t) = c(t-a_1)(t-a_2)\dots(t-a_n)$ 。

For example,  $t^2-1 = (t-1)(t+1)$  splits over  $R$ , but  $(t^2+1)(t-2)$  does not split over  $R$  because  $t^2+1$  cannot be factored into a product of linear factors. However,  $(t^2+1)(t-2)$  does split over  $C$  because it factors into the product  $(t+i)(t-i)$ .

不可分解要看所屬範圍。 $(t^2+1)(t-2)$  在  $R$  內不可分解，但在  $F$  內可分解。

### Theorem 5.6

The characteristic polynomial of any diagonalizable linear operator splits.

任一可對角化線性運算子  $T$  的特徵多項式皆可分解一次因式。

From Theorem 5.6, it is clear that if  $T$  is a diagonalizable linear operator on an  $n$ -dimensional vector space that fails to have distinct eigenvalues, then the characteristic polynomial of  $T$  must have repeated zeros.

由 Theorem 5.6 可知，若  $T$  為  $n$  維向量空間可對角化的線性運算子，卻不具有  $n$  個相異 Eigenvalues，則  $T$  的特徵多項式必然具有重根 (Repeated zeros)。

The converse of Theorem 5.6 is false; that is, the characteristic polynomial of  $T$  may split, but  $T$  need not be diagonalizable.

Theorem 5.6 的逆定理不成立： $T$  的特徵多項式可以分解成一次因式，未必意謂  $T$  可對角化。

### DEFINITION 5.6

Let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of a linear operator or matrix with characteristic polynomial  $f(t)$ . The (algebraic) multiplicity of  $\lambda$  is the largest positive integer  $k$  for which  $(t-\lambda)^k$  is a factor of  $f(t)$ .

若  $\lambda$  為某一線性運算子或矩陣的特徵多項式  $f(t)$  的 Eigenvalue， $\lambda$  的相重數  $k$ ，為讓  $(t-\lambda)^k$  成為  $f(t)$  的 factor 的最大正整數。

### EXAMPLE 2

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Which has characteristic polynomial  $f(t) = -(t-3)^2(t-4)$ . Hence  $\lambda = 3$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  with multiplicity 2, and  $\lambda = 4$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  with multiplicity 1.

$\lambda = 3$  的相重數為 2。

If  $T$  is a diagonalizable linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ , then there is an ordered basis  $\beta$  for  $V$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ . We know from Theorem 5.1 that  $[T]_\beta$  is a diagonal matrix in which the diagonal entries are the eigenvalues of  $T$ . Since the characteristic polynomial of  $T$  is  $\det([T]_\beta - tI)$ , it is easily seen that each eigenvalue of  $T$  must occur as a diagonal entry of  $[T]_\beta$  exactly as many times as its multiplicity.

若  $T$  為有限維度向量空間  $C$  內一個可對角化的線性運算子，則存在一有序基底  $\beta$ ，且該有序基底係由  $T$  的 Eigenvectors 所組成。由 Theorem 5.1 得知， $[T]_\beta$  為對角矩陣，且對角線元素為  $T$  的 Eigenvalues。由於  $T$  的特徵多項式為  $\det([T]_\beta - tI)$ ，故  $T$  的每一個 Eigenvalues 必定出現在  $[T]_\beta$  的對角線上，且出現的次數等於該 Eigenvalue 的相重數 (as many times as its multiplicity)。

**DEFINITION 5.7 Eigenspace (固有空間)  $E_\lambda$** 

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a vector space  $V$ , and  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $T$ . Define  $E_\lambda = \{x \in V; T(x) = \lambda x\} = N(T - \lambda I_V)$ . The set  $E_\lambda$  is called the eigenspace of  $T$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda$ . Analogously, we define the eigenspace of a square matrix  $A$  to be the eigenspace of  $L_A$ .

若  $T$  為向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子，且  $\lambda$  為  $T$  的 Eigenvalue。定義  $E_\lambda = \{x \in V; T(x) = \lambda x\} = N(T - \lambda I_V)$ ，並稱  $E_\lambda$  為  $T$  對應於 Eigenvalue  $\lambda$  的 Eigenspace (固有空間)。同理， $A$  的 Eigenspace 即為  $L_A$  的 Eigenspace。

If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix with an eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , then the set of all eigenvectors of  $\lambda$  together with the zero vector is a subspace of  $V$ . This subspace is called the eigenspace of  $\lambda$ .

$v_1$  and  $v_2$  are eigenvectors corresponding to  $\lambda$

$$Av_1 = \lambda v_1, Av_2 = \lambda v_2$$

$$A(v_1 + v_2) = Av_1 + Av_2 = \lambda v_1 + \lambda v_2 = \lambda(v_1 + v_2)$$

i.e.  $x_1 + x_2$  is an eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda$

$$A(cv_1) = c(Av_1) = c(\lambda v_1) = \lambda(cv_1)$$

i.e.  $cx_1$  is an eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda$

**Dimension of  $E_\lambda$** 

Clearly,  $E_\lambda$  is a subspace of  $V$  consisting of the zero vector and the eigenvectors of  $T$  corresponding to the eigenvalues  $\lambda$ . The maximum number of linearly independent eigenvectors of  $T$  corresponding to the eigenvalues  $\lambda$  is therefore the **dimension of  $E_\lambda$** .

顯然， $E_\lambda$  是  $V$  的子空間，係由零向量與  $T$  內相對應 Eigenvalue  $\lambda$  的 Eigenvectors 所組成。因此  $T$  中對應 Eigenvalues  $\lambda$  的線性獨立 Eigenvectors 最多個數即為  $E_\lambda$  的維度。

**Theorem 5.7 Dimension of  $E_\lambda$  vs. Multiplicity of  $\lambda$** 

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ , and let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $T$  having multiplicity  $m$ . Then  $1 \leq \dim(E_\lambda) \leq m$ .

令  $T$  是有限維度向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子， $\lambda$  為  $T$  的 Eigenvalue，相重數為  $m$ ，則  $1 \leq \dim(E_\lambda) \leq m$ 。

### EXAMPLE 3

Let  $T$  be the linear operator on  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  defined by  $T(f(x)) = f'(x)$ . The matrix representation of  $T$  with respect to the standard ordered basis  $\beta = \{1, x, x^2\}$  for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  is

$$[T]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. (=A)$$

Consequently, the characteristic polynomial of  $T$  is

$$\det([T]_\beta - tI) = \det \begin{pmatrix} -t & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -t & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -t \end{pmatrix} = -t^3$$

Thus  $T$  has only one eigenvalue with multiplicity 3.

Solving  $T(f(x)) = f'(x) = 0$  shows that  $E_\lambda = N(T - \lambda I) = N(T)$  is the subspace of  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  consisting of the constant polynomials.

$$(A - \lambda I)x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow x_1 = a, x_2 = x_3 = 0$$

So  $\{1\}$  is a basis for  $E_\lambda$ , and therefore  $\dim(E_\lambda) = 1$ .

Consequently, there is no basis for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ , and therefore  $T$  is not diagonalizable.

$T$  只有一個 Eigenvalue ( $\lambda = 0$ )，其相重數 3，解  $T(f(x)) = f'(x) = 0$  證明  $E_\lambda = N(T - \lambda I) = N(T)$  是  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  的子空間，是常數多項式所組成。 $\{1\}$  是  $E_\lambda$  的基底， $\dim(E_\lambda) = 1$ 。

### EXAMPLE 4

Let  $T$  be the linear operator on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  defined by

$$T \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4a_1 + a_3 \\ 2a_1 + 3a_2 + 2a_3 \\ a_1 + 4a_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We determine the eigenspace of  $T$  corresponding to each eigenvalue. Let  $\beta$  be the standard ordered basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Then

$$[T]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = A$$

and hence the characteristic polynomial of  $T$  is

$$\det([T]_{\beta} - tI) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 4-t & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3-t & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 4-t \end{pmatrix} = -(t-5)(t-3)^2$$

So the eigenvalues of  $T$  are  $\lambda_1 = 5$  and  $\lambda_2 = 3$  with multiplicities 1 and 2 respectively.

Since

$$E_{\lambda_1} = N(T - \lambda_1 I) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

$E_{\lambda}$  is the solution space of the system of linear equations

$$-x_1 + x_3 = 0$$

$$2x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 - x_3 = 0$$

It is easily seen that

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ is a basis for } E_{\lambda_1}. \text{ Hence } \dim(E_{\lambda_1}) = 1$$

Similarly,  $E_{\lambda_2} = N(T - \lambda_2 I)$  is the solution space of the system of linear equations

$$x_1 + x_3 = 0$$

$$2x_1 + 2x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 + x_3 = 0$$

The general solution to the system

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = s \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ for } s, t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

It follows that

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ is a basis for } E_{\lambda_2}. \text{ Hence } \dim(E_{\lambda_2}) = 2$$

**EXAMPLE**

Find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenspaces of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{If } v = (x, y) \text{ then } Av = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

For a vector on the  $x$ -axis

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = -1 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Eigenvalue } \lambda_1 = -1$$

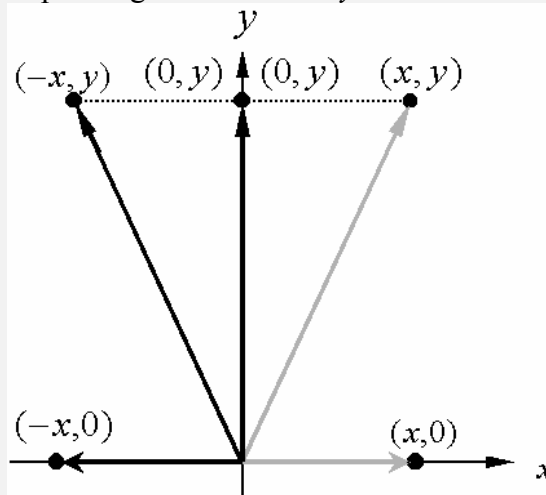
For a vector on the  $y$ -axis

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Eigenvalue } \lambda_2 = +1$$

Geometrically, multiplying a vector  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  by the matrix  $A$  corresponds to a reflection in the  $y$ -axis.

The eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = -1$  is the  $x$ -axis.

The eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_2 = 1$  is the  $y$ -axis.

**EXAMPLE**

Find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenspaces of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (\lambda + 2)^2(\lambda - 4)$$

Eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = 4, \lambda_2 = -2$

The eigenspaces for these two eigenvalues are as follows.

$E_{\lambda_1} = \{ (1, 1, 0) \}$  corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 4$

$E_{\lambda_2} = \{ (1, -1, 0), (0, 0, 1) \}$  corresponding to  $\lambda_2 = -2$

### EXAMPLE

Find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenspaces of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & -10 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Characteristic equation

$$|A - \lambda I| = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & 5 & -10 \\ 1 & 0 & 2-\lambda & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 3-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (\lambda - 1)^2(\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 3) = 0$$

Eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 2, \lambda_3 = 3$

For  $\lambda_1 = 1$

$$(A - \lambda_1 I)\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & -10 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2t \\ s \\ 2t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s, t \neq 0$$

$$\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is a basis for the eigenspace of } A \text{ corresponding to } \lambda_1 = 1$$

For  $\lambda_2 = 2$

$\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for the eigenspace of  $A$  corresponding to  $\lambda_2 = 2$

For  $\lambda_3 = 3$

$\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -5 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for the eigenspace of  $A$  corresponding to  $\lambda_3 = 3$

### Lemma

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ , and let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  be distinct eigenvalues of  $T$ . For each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , let  $v_i \in E_{\lambda_i}$ , the eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_i$ . If  $v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_k = 0$ , then  $v_i = 0$  for all  $i$ .

令  $T$  是有限為度向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子，且  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  為  $k$  個相異 Eigenvalues。  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  為相對應  $\lambda_i$  的 eigenvectors。若  $v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_k = 0$ ，則  $v_i = 0$ 。

#### 【Proof】

Suppose otherwise. By renumbering if necessary, suppose that, for  $1 \leq m \leq k$ , we have  $v_i \neq 0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , and  $v_i = 0$  for  $i > m$ . Then, for each  $i \leq m$ ,  $v_i$  is an eigenvector of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda_i$  and  $v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_m = 0$ . According to Theorem 5.5, these  $v_i$ 's are linearly independent. We conclude that, therefore, that  $v_i = 0$  for all  $i$ .

### Theorem 5.8

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a vector space  $V$ , and let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  be distinct eigenvalues of  $T$ . For each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , let  $S_i$  be a finite linearly independent subset of eigenspace  $E_{\lambda_i}$ . Then  $S = S_1 \cup S_2 \cup \dots \cup S_k$  is a linear independent subset of  $V$ .

令  $T$  是有限為度向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子，且  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  為  $k$  個相異 Eigenvalues。  $S_i$  是 Eigenspace  $E_{\lambda_i}$  的線性獨立子集合，則  $S = S_1 \cup S_2 \cup \dots \cup S_k$  是  $V$  的線性獨立子集合。

#### 【Proof】

Suppose that for each  $i$

$$S_i = \{v_{i1}, v_{i2}, \dots, v_{in}\}.$$

Then  $S = \{v_{ij} : 1 \leq j \leq n_i, \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq k\}.$

Consider any  $\{a_{ij}\}$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} a_{ij} v_{ij} = 0.$$

For each  $i$ , let  $w_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} a_{ij} v_{ij}.$

Then  $w_i \in E_{\lambda_i}$  for each  $i$ , and  $w_1 + \dots + w_k = 0$ . Therefore, by the lemma,  $w_i = 0$  for all  $i$ .

But each  $S_i$  is linearly independent, and hence  $a_{ij} = 0$  for all  $j$ .

We conclude that  $S$  is linear independent.

Theorem 5.8 tells us how to construct a linearly independent subset of eigenvectors, namely, by collecting bases for the individual eigenspaces. The next theorem tells us when the resulting set is a basis for the entire space.

Theorem 5.8 告訴我們透過個別 eigenspace 的收集找出 eigenvectors 的線性獨立子集合。

### Theorem 5.9

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$  such that the characteristic polynomial of  $T$  splits. Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  be distinct eigenvalues of  $T$ . Then

- (a)  $T$  is diagonalizable if and only if the multiplicity of  $\lambda_i$  is equal to  $\dim(E_{\lambda_i})$  for all  $i$ .
- (b) If  $T$  is diagonalizable and  $\beta_i$  is an ordered basis for  $E_{\lambda_i}$ , for each  $i$ , then  $\beta = \beta_1 \cup \beta_2 \cup \dots \cup \beta_k$  is an ordered basis for  $V$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ .

令  $T$  是有限為度向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子，且  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  為  $k$  個相異 Eigenvalues。

- (a)  $T$  可對角化的「若且唯若」條件為  $\lambda_i$  的相重數等於  $E_{\lambda_i}$  的維度。
- (b) 若  $T$  可對角化且  $\beta_i$  是  $E_{\lambda_i}$  的有序基底，則  $\beta = \beta_1 \cup \beta_2 \cup \dots \cup \beta_k$  為  $V$  的有序基底，並由  $T$  的 eigenvectors 所組成。

## TEST for Diagonalization

Let  $T$  be a linear operator on an  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $V$ . Then  $T$  is diagonalizable if and only if both of the following conditions hold.

令  $T$  是  $n$  維向量空間  $V$  的線性運算子，則  $T$  為可對角化的「若且唯若」條件為：

1. The characteristic polynomial of  $T$  splits.  $T$  的特徵多項式可分解成一次因式。
2. For each eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $T$ , the multiplicity of  $\lambda$  equals  $n - \text{rank}(T - \lambda I)$ . 對  $T$  的每一個 Eigenvalue  $\lambda$ ， $\lambda$  的相重數等於  $n - \text{rank}(T - \lambda I)$ 。

### EXAMPLE 5

We test the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \in M_{3 \times 3}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ for diagonalizability.}$$

The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is  $\det(A - tI) = -(t-4)(t-3)^2$ , which splits, and so condition 1 of the test for diagonalization is satisfied. Also  $A$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = 4$  and  $\lambda_2 = 3$  with multiplicity 1 and 2, respectively. Since  $\lambda_1$  has multiplicity 1, condition 2 is satisfied for  $\lambda_1$ . Thus we need only test condition 2 for  $\lambda_2$ .

Because  $A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  has rank 2, we see that  $3 - \text{rank}(T - \lambda I) = 1$ , which is not

the multiplicity of  $\lambda_2$ . Thus condition 2 fails for  $\lambda_2$ , and  $A$  is therefore not diagonalizable.

### EXAMPLE 6

Let  $T$  be the linear operator on  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  defined by

$$T(f(x)) = f(1) + f'(0)x + (f'(0) + f''(0))x^2.$$

We first test  $T$  for diagonalizability. Let  $\alpha$  denote the standard ordered basis for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  and  $B = [T]_{\alpha}$ . Then

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The characteristic polynomial of  $B$ , and hence of  $T$ , is  $-(t-1)^2(t-2)$ , which splits.

Hence condition 1 of the test for diagonalization is satisfied. Also B has eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = 1$  and  $\lambda_2 = 2$  with multiplicity 2 and 1, respectively. Condition 2 is satisfied for  $\lambda_2$  because it has multiplicity 1. So we need only verify condition 2 for  $\lambda_1$ . For this case,

$$3 - \text{rank}(B - \lambda_1 I) = 3 - \text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 3 - 1 = 2, \text{ which is equal to the multiplicity}$$

of  $\lambda_1$ . Therefore T is diagonalizable.

→ Find an ordered basis  $\gamma$  for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  of eigenvectors of B. We consider each eigenvalue separately.

The eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_1 = 1$  is

$$E_{\lambda_1} = N(T - \lambda_1 I) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

Which is the solution space for the system

$$x_2 + x_3 = 0,$$

$$\text{and thus } \gamma_1 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ as a basis.}$$

The eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_2 = 2$  is

$$E_{\lambda_2} = N(T - \lambda_2 I) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

Which is the solution space for the system

$$-x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$x_2 = 0$$

$$\text{and thus } \gamma_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ as a basis.}$$

$$\text{Let } \gamma = \gamma_1 \cup \gamma_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Then  $\gamma$  is an ordered basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  consisting of eigenvectors of B.

Finally, observe that the vectors in  $\gamma$  are the coordinate vectors relative to  $\alpha$  of the vector in the set

$\beta = \{1, -x + x^2, 1 + x^2\}$ , which is an ordered basis for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ . Thus

$$[T]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

### EXAMPLE 7

Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ .

We show that  $A$  is diagonalizable and find a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $Q$  such that  $Q^{-1}AQ$  is a diagonal matrix. We then show how to use this result to compute  $A^n$  for any positive integer  $n$ .

First observe that the characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is  $(t - 1)(t - 2)$ , and hence  $A$  has two distinct eigenvalues,  $\lambda_1 = 1$  and  $\lambda_2 = 2$ . By applying the corollary to Theorem 5.5 to the operator  $L_A$ , we see that  $A$  is diagonalizable. Moreover

$$\gamma_1 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

are bases for the eigenspaces  $E_{\lambda_1}$  and  $E_{\lambda_2}$ , respectively. Therefore

$$\gamma = \gamma_1 \cup \gamma_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{is an ordered basis for } \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ consisting of eigenvectors of}$$

$A$ .

$$\text{Let } D = Q^{-1}AQ = [L_A]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

To find  $A^n$  for any positive integer  $n$ , observe that  $A = QDQ^{-1}$ . Therefore

$$A^n = (QDQ^{-1})^n = \dots = QD^nQ^{-1} = Q \begin{pmatrix} 1^n & 0 \\ 0 & 2^n \end{pmatrix} Q^{-1} = \dots = \begin{pmatrix} 2 - 2^n & 2 - 2^{n+1} \\ -1 + 2^n & -1 + 2^{n+1} \end{pmatrix}$$