

MATH 235 COURSE SUMMARY

Linear Transformations

[Sec. 4.1 – 4.5]

- Definitions:

- Linear Transformation: L linear iff
$$\begin{cases} L(v_1 + v_2) = L(v_1) + L(v_2) \\ L(cv_1) = c \cdot L(v_1) \end{cases}$$

- Kernel: $\ker(L) = \{v \mid L(v) = 0, v \in V\}$

- Range: $\text{range}(L) = \{L(v) \mid v \in V\}$

- Dimension Theorem: $\dim(\ker L) + \dim(\text{range} L) = \dim(V)$

or $\text{nullity}(L) + \text{rank}(L) = \dim(V)$

- Definitions:

- One-to-One: $L : V \rightarrow W$ one-to-one iff $v_1 \neq v_2 \Rightarrow L(v_1) \neq L(v_2)$

- Onto: $L : V \rightarrow W$ onto iff $\text{range}(L) = W$

Iff $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$, L one-to-one $\Leftrightarrow L$ onto

- Matrix Form of a Linear Transformation: $[L(\vec{x})]_\beta = [L]_\beta^\alpha \cdot [\vec{x}]_\alpha$

- Change of Basis Matrices: $[x]_\beta = [I]_\beta^\alpha \cdot [x]_\alpha$

- Composition of Transformations: $L_1 \circ L_2(v) = L_1(L_2(v))$

- Similarity: $A \sim B$ iff $A = PBP^{-1}$

- Invertibility: L invertible iff $[L]$ invertible & $[L^{-1}] = [L]^{-1}$

- Isomorphisms: V is isomorphic to W iff $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$

Determinants

[Sec. 5.3 – 5.4]

- Determinant of a 2X2 Matrix: $\det(A) = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$

- Determinant of Larger Matrices: $\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{1j}C_{1j}$

- Triangular Matrix Determinants: If A is triangular, $\det(A) = \prod_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$

- Row Operations:

- switching two rows of A: $\det(B) = -\det(A)$

- multiplying a row of A by k: $\det(B) = k \det(A)$

- adding two rows of A: $\det(B) = \det(A)$

- Properties of the Determinant: $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$ $\det(A^{-1}) = (\det(A))^{-1}$

$\det(AB) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$ $\det(AB) = \det(BA)$

- Invertibility: A is invertible iff $\det(A) \neq 0$

- Similarity: If $A \sim B$, then $\det(A) = \det(B)$

- Adjugate/Adjoint: $(\text{adj}(A))_{ij} = C_{ji}(A)$

- Inverse Formula: $A^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{\det(A)} \right) \cdot \text{adj}(A)$

Invariance

- Restrictions: For $L : V \rightarrow W$ & $U \subseteq V$, $L|_U : U \rightarrow W$ $L|_U(u) = L(u)$
- Invariance: For $L : V \rightarrow V$ & $U \subseteq V$, U is L -invariant iff $L(U) \subseteq U$
- Cyclic Subspaces: L -cyclic subspace of V by v is $S_v = \text{span}(\{v, L(v), L^2(v), \dots\})$

Eigenspaces & Root Spaces

[Sec. 6.1, notes]

- Eigenvectors, Eigenvalues of L : $L(v) = \lambda v$ or $[L][v] = \lambda[v]$
 - Eigenpair of L : (λ, v)

- Minimal Polynomial "with respect to v ":

Find $v, Av, A^2v, \dots, A^k v$ such that $A^k v = c_0 v + c_1 Av + c_2 A^2 v + \dots + c_{k-1} A^{k-1} v$ and then:

$$p_v(t) = t^k - c_{k-1}t^{k-1} - \dots - c_2t^2 - c_1t - c_0$$

- Characteristic Polynomial "of L ":

$$\Delta_{[L]}(t) = \det(tI - [L])$$

$$\Delta_{[L]}(t) = (t - \lambda_1)^{r_1} (t - \lambda_2)^{r_2} \dots$$

- Minimal Polynomial "of L ":

- "lowest degree monic polynomial $p(t)$ for which $p(A)v = 0$ for all v "

- look at $\Delta_{[L]}(t)$ and start with $r_1 = r_2 = \dots = 1$ and go up to try to get $p(A)v = 0$

- Solving the Matrix Eigenvalue Equation:

- solve the polynomial $\Delta_{[L]}(\lambda) = 0$ for all λ , then solve $(\lambda I - [L])v = 0$ for all v

- Eigenspace (corresponding to λ):

$$E_\lambda = \{v \mid L(v) = \lambda v, v \in V\} \quad \text{and} \quad E_\lambda \subseteq V$$

$$E_\lambda = \ker(\lambda I - [L])$$

- Geometric Multiplicity (of λ):

$$g_\lambda = \dim(E_\lambda)$$

- Root Vectors:

$$(\lambda I - [L])^r v = 0 \quad \text{for some } r$$

- Index:

index of v is the smallest value of r above

- Root Space (corresponding to λ):

$$R_\lambda = \ker(\lambda I - [L])^n \quad \text{for } n = \dim(V)$$

- Algebraic Multiplicity (of λ):

$$a_\lambda = \dim(R_\lambda)$$

$$\text{index}(R_\lambda), g_\lambda \leq a_\lambda$$

Diagonalizability & Orthogonality

[Sec. 6.2, 6.4, notes]

- Diagonalizable:

$L : V \rightarrow W$ is diagonalizable iff V has a basis β of eigenvectors

$$\text{Further, } [L]_\beta^\beta = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- Complex Inner Product: $\langle x, y \rangle = x^T \bar{y}$
- Properties of Complex Inner Product:
 - $\langle x, y_1 + y_2 \rangle = \langle x, y_1 \rangle + \langle x, y_2 \rangle$
 - $\langle x_1 + x_2, y \rangle = \langle x_1, y \rangle + \langle x_2, y \rangle$
 - $\langle cx, y \rangle = c \langle x, y \rangle$
 - $\langle x, cy \rangle = \bar{c} \langle x, y \rangle$
 - $\langle y, x \rangle = \overline{\langle x, y \rangle}$
- Orthogonality: x & y orthogonal iff $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$
- Orthogonal Compliment: $U^\perp =$ the set of all vectors orthogonal to all vectors in U
 $U^\perp = \bigcap_{u \in U} u^\perp$ such that $u^\perp = \{y \mid \langle y, u \rangle = 0\}$
- Adjoint (Conjugate Transpose): $A^* = \bar{A}^T$
 $\langle x, Ay \rangle = \langle A^* x, y \rangle$
 - for real matrices: $A^* = A^T$
- Hermitian Matrices: A is Hermitian iff $A^* = A$
 - for real matrices: A is Hermitian $\Leftrightarrow A$ is [real] symmetric
- Skew Hermitian Matrices: A is skew Hermitian iff $A^* = -A$
 - for real matrices: A is skew Hermitian $\Leftrightarrow A$ is [real] skew symmetric
- Invariance: U is A -invariant iff U^\perp is A^* -invariant
- Self-Adjoint A is self-adjoint iff $\langle x, Ay \rangle = \langle Ax, y \rangle$
 ie- Hermitian operators are self-adjoint w.r.t. complex inner product
- Unitary Matrices: A is unitary iff $A^* A = I_n$
 - A is then said to "preserve length"
 - the columns of A form an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{C}^n
 - for real matrices: A is unitary $\Leftrightarrow A$ is orthogonal
- Properties of Hermitian:
 - Hermitian matrices have real eigenvalues.
 - Each eigenspace is orthogonal to one another.
 - Hermitian matrices are diagonalizable
 - The diagonal matrix is $L^* H L$ where L is unitary
- Triangulation:
 - If $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$ then $L^{-1} A L$ is lower triangular where L is some unitary matrix.