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Math 311                      Exam 3                      Spring 2010  
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Consider the vector space  $P_3$  of polynomials with degree less than 3 with standard basis

$$e_1 = 1 \quad e_2 = x \quad e_3 = x^2$$

and the linear operator

$$L : P_3 \rightarrow P_3 : L(p) = (x - 2) \frac{dp}{dx}$$

1. (2 pts) What is  $\dim P_3$ ? What is the size of the matrix  $A$  of the linear map  $L$ ?

$$\dim P_3 = 3 \quad A \text{ is a } 3 \times 3 \text{ matrix.}$$

2. (2 pts) Let  $p = a + bx + cx^2$ . Compute  $L(p)$ .

$$L(p) = (x - 2) \frac{dp}{dx} = (x - 2)(b + 2cx)$$

3. (10 pts) Identify the kernel of  $L$ , a basis for the kernel, and the dimension of the kernel.

$$L(p) = (-2b) + (b - 4c)x + (2c)x^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2b = 0 \quad b - 4c = 0 \quad 2c = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad b = c = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad p = a$$

$$\text{Ker}(L) = \{p = a\} = \{\text{constant polynomials}\} = \text{Span}(1) \quad \text{basis} = \{1\} \quad \dim \text{Ker}(L) = 1$$

4. (2 pts) What does the kernel of  $L$ , (found in part 2), say about one of the eigenvalues of  $L$ , and the eigenpolynomial(s) for that eigenvalue? No new computations!

$$L(1) = 0 \cdot 1 \quad \text{So } 0 \text{ is an eigenvalue and } 1 \text{ is the eigenpolynomial.}$$

5. (10 pts) Identify the image of  $L$ , a basis for the image, and the dimension of the image.

$$L(p) = (-2b) + (b - 4c)x + (2c)x^2 = b(-2 + x) + c(-4x + 2x^2)$$

$$\text{Im}(L) = \{L(p)\} = \text{Span}(-2 + x, -4x + 2x^2) \quad \text{basis} = \{-2 + x, -4x + 2x^2\} \quad \dim \text{Im}(L) = 2$$

6. (6 pts) Is the function  $L$  one-to-one? Why?

$$L \text{ is not } 1 - 1 \text{ because } \text{Ker}(L) \neq \{0\}$$

7. (6 pts) Is the function  $L$  onto? Why?

$$L \text{ is not onto because } \dim \text{Im}(L) = 2 \text{ but } \dim \text{Codom}(L) = \dim P_3 = 3$$

8. (6 pts) Find the matrix of the linear map  $L$  relative to the  $e$  basis. Call it  $A$ .

$$\begin{aligned} L(e_1) &= L(1) = (x-2)(0) = 0 = 0 \\ L(e_2) &= L(x) = (x-2)(1) = -2+x = -2e_1 + e_2 \\ L(e_3) &= L(x^2) = (x-2)(2x) = -4x + 2x^2 = -4e_2 + 2e_3 \end{aligned} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

9. (10 pts) Find the eigenvalues of  $A$ .

$$\det(A - \lambda \mathbf{1}) = \det \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = -\lambda(1-\lambda)(2-\lambda) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lambda = 0, 1, 2$$

10. (15 pts) Find the eigenvectors for each eigenvalue. Call them  $\vec{v}_1$ ,  $\vec{v}_2$  and  $\vec{v}_3$ .

$$A\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v} \quad (A - \lambda\mathbf{1})\vec{v} = 0 \quad \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -\lambda & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2-\lambda & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

a.  $\lambda_1 = 0$  :

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} R_2 \\ \frac{1}{2}R_3 \\ R_1+2R_2 \end{array} \Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -8 & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} R_1+4R_2 \\ R_3+8R_2 \end{array} \Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 0 \\ z &= 0 \\ x &= r \end{aligned} \quad \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = r \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

b.  $\lambda_2 = 1$  :

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} -R_1 \\ R_3 \\ R_2+4R_3 \end{array} \Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x+2y &= 0 \\ z &= 0 \\ y &= r \end{aligned} \quad \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2r \\ r \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = r \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

c.  $\lambda_3 = 2$  :

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -2 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} -\frac{1}{2}R_1 \\ -R_2 \end{array} \Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) R_1-R_2 \Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x-4z &= 0 \\ y+4z &= 0 \\ z &= r \end{aligned} \quad \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4r \\ -4r \\ r \end{pmatrix} = r \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

11. (6 pts) Find the eigenpolynomials for each eigenvalue. Call them  $q_1$ ,  $q_2$  and  $q_3$ .  
Verify they are eigenpolynomials by checking that  $L(q_k) = \lambda_k q_k$  using the definition of  $L$ .

$$q_1 = e\vec{v}_1 = 1 \quad q_2 = e\vec{v}_2 = -2 + x \quad q_3 = e\vec{v}_3 = 4 - 4x + x^2$$

$$L(q_1) = L(1) = (x-2)(0) = 0 = 0q_1$$

$$L(q_2) = L(-2+x) = (x-2)(1) = -2+x = 1q_2$$

$$L(q_3) = L(4-4x+x^2) = (x-2)(-4+2x) = 8-8x+2x^2 = 2(4-4x+x^2) = 2q_3$$

12. (6 pts) The eigenpolynomials  $q = (q_1, q_2, q_3)$  form a second basis for  $P_3$ .  
Find the matrix of the linear map  $L$  relative to the  $q$  basis. Call it  $D$ .

$$\begin{aligned} L(q_1) &= 0q_1 \\ L(q_2) &= 1q_2 \\ L(q_3) &= 2q_3 \end{aligned} \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

13. (15 pts) Find the change of basis matrices  $C$  and  $C$ .

$$q_1 = 1 = e_1 \quad q_2 = -2 + x = -2e_1 + e_2 \quad q_3 = 4 - 4x + x^2 = 4e_1 - 4e_2 + e_3$$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Equivalently, the eigenvectors go in the columns.}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -2 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

14. (5 pts) Verify your matrices satisfy  $C D C = A$ .

$$\begin{aligned} C D C &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = A \end{aligned}$$

15. (5 pts) Compute  $(A)^5$ .  $(A)^5 = (C D C)^5 = C (D)^5 C$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 32 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 32 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & 120 \\ 0 & 1 & -124 \\ 0 & 0 & 32 \end{pmatrix}$$