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Stated without proof (1) Cayley-Hamilton Theorem:

Given  $T: V \rightarrow V$  ( $\dim V < \infty$ )  $p_T(T) = 0$  where

$p_T(x) = \det(x \text{Id}_V - T)$ , the characteristic polynomial of  $T$

(2) There exists a unique polynomial  $m_T(x)$ ,

the minimal polynomial of  $T$  so that

$$m_T(x) = 1 \cdot x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + x_0 \quad \text{ie } m_T \text{ is monic and}$$

$$h(T) = 0 \Rightarrow \exists q(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x] \text{ st. } h(x) = m_T(x) q(x)$$

ie  $m_T$  divides any  $h(x) \in N(\text{ev}_T)$ .

We've seen: characteristic polynomial need not be minimal.

Lemma 35.1 Suppose  $\dim V < \infty$ ,  $S: V \rightarrow V$  is linear. Then

1)  $\exists m \geq 1$  so that  $N(S^m) = N(S^{m+1})$

2) if  $N(S^m) = N(S^{m+1})$  then  $N(S^m) = N(S^{m+r}) \forall r \geq 1$

3)  $V = N(S^m) \oplus R(S^m)$  and (4)  $N(S^m), R(S^m)$  are  $S$ -invariant.

Proof 1)  $N(S) \subseteq N(S^2) \subseteq N(S^3) \subseteq \dots \subseteq N(S^k) \subseteq \dots$

$$\dim N(S) \leq \dim N(S^2) \leq \dim N(S^3) \leq \dots \leq \dim N(S^k) \leq \dim V$$

$\Rightarrow$  the set of integers  $\{\dim N(S^i)\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  is finite

$\Rightarrow \exists m$  st  $\dim N(S^m) = \dim N(S^{m+1}) \Rightarrow N(S^m) = N(S^{m+1})$

(2) if  $v \in N(S^{m+2})$  then  $0 = S^{m+1}(S(v)) \Rightarrow S(v) \in N(S^{m+1}) = N(S^m)$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = S^m(S(v)) \Rightarrow v \in N(S^{m+1})$$

$$\Rightarrow N(S^{m+2}) \subseteq N(S^{m+1}) = N(S^m)$$

Similarly  $N(S^{m+3}) \subseteq N(S^{m+2}) \dots$

$$\therefore \text{For all } r \geq 0 \quad N(S^{m+r}) = N(S^m)$$

(3) if  $v \in N(S^m) \cap R(S^m)$  then  $v = S^m(w)$  for some  $w$  and

$$0 = S^m(v) \Rightarrow 0 = S^m S^m(w) \Rightarrow w \in N(S^{2m}) = N(S^m)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = S^m(w) = v \quad \therefore N(S^m) \cap R(S^m) = 0$$

Since  $\dim V = \dim N(S^m) + \dim R(S^m)$ ,  $V = N(S^m) \oplus R(S^m)$ .

Finally  $\forall v \in N(S^m)$   $S^m(Sv) = S(S^m v) = S(0) = 0 \Rightarrow Sv \in N(S^m)$   
 $\Rightarrow S(N(S^m)) \subseteq N(S^m)$ .

If  $u \in R(S^m)$   $u = S^m w$  for some  $w$ .  $\Rightarrow Su = S S^m w = S^m(Sw)$   
 $\in R(S^m)$ .  $\Rightarrow S(R(S^m)) \subseteq R(S^m)$ . □

Now consider  $T: V \rightarrow V$ . and suppose  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$ . Let  $S = T - \lambda \text{id}_V$ .

Then  $N(S) \neq 0$ . Also  $\exists m$  st  $N(S^m) = N(S^{m+1}) = N(S^{m+2}) = \dots$

We set  $K_\lambda = N(S^m) = N((T - \lambda \text{id}_V)^m)$ .

Then  $\forall n \geq m$   $N((T - \lambda \text{id}_V)^n) = K_\lambda$ .

$$\Rightarrow K_\lambda = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} N((T - \lambda \text{id}_V)^k)$$

The generalized  $\lambda$ -eigenspace of  $T$ .

Remark  $\forall$  subspace  $U \subseteq V$ ,  $T(U) \subseteq U \Leftrightarrow S(U) \subseteq U$   
 where  $S = T - \lambda \text{id}_V$ .

Reason if  $Tu \in U \forall u \in U \iff Su = Tu - \lambda u \in U$ .

if  $S(U) \subseteq U$

Lemma 35.1  $\Rightarrow$

Lemma 35.2 Let  $T: V \rightarrow V$  be linear,  $\lambda =$  eigenvalue of  $T$

Then  $V = K_\lambda \oplus W$

where  $W$  is a  $T$ -invariant and  $T - \lambda \text{id}_V|_W$  is injective

Proof  $K_\lambda = N(S^m)$ ,  $W = R(S^m)$  where

$S = T - \lambda \text{id}_V$  and  $m$  is the smallest integer st.  
 $N(S^m) = N(S^{m+1})$ .

if  $v \in N(T - \lambda \text{id}_V) = N(S)$ , then  $v \in N(S^m)$

But  $N(S^m) \cap R(S^m) = 0$   
 $= W$ .

$\Rightarrow N((T - \lambda \text{id}_V)|_W) = \{0\}$ .  $\Rightarrow T - \lambda \text{id}_V$  is injective

Lemma 35.3 Let  $T: V \rightarrow V$  be linear,  $\lambda$  eigenvalue of  $T$  35.3

$V = K_\lambda \oplus W$  the  $T$ -invariant decomposition of Lemma 35.2. Then

1)  $\lambda$  is the only eigenvalue of  $T|_{K_\lambda}$ .

2)  $\lambda$  is not an eigenvalue of  $T|_W$ .

Proof (1) Suppose  $0 \neq v \in K_\lambda$  and  $Tv = \mu v$  for some  $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Let  $S = T - \lambda \text{id}_V$ . Then  $Sv = Tv - \lambda v = (\mu - \lambda)v$ .

By def of  $K_\lambda$ ,  $\exists m$  st  $0 = S^m v$ . On the other hand

$$S^m v = (\mu - \lambda)^m v. \Rightarrow 0 = (\mu - \lambda)^m v \text{ and } v \neq 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu = \lambda.$$

(2)  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $T|_W \Leftrightarrow \exists 0 \neq w \in W$  st.

$$Tw = \lambda w \Leftrightarrow w \in N((T - \lambda \text{id}_V)|_W)$$

But  $N((T - \lambda \text{id}_V)|_W) = \{0\}$ .

So  $\lambda$  cannot be an eigenvalue of  $T|_W$ .  $\square$

Lemma 35.4 Suppose  $C = \begin{pmatrix} \overset{k}{A} & \overset{l}{O} \\ \underset{k}{O} & \underset{l}{B} \end{pmatrix}$  is a  $(k+l) \times (k+l)$  block diagonal matrix. Then

$$\det C = \det A \cdot \det B.$$

Proof Note first that

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & O \\ O & B \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & O \\ O & I_k \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} I_k & O \\ O & B \end{pmatrix}$$

Next observe that

$$D: \mathbb{R}^{k^2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, D(A) = \det \begin{pmatrix} A & O \\ O & I_k \end{pmatrix}$$

is  $k$ -linear, alternating and

$$D(I_k) = \det \begin{pmatrix} I_k & O \\ O & I_k \end{pmatrix} = 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} A & O \\ O & I_k \end{pmatrix} = \det A.$$

$$\text{Similarly } \det \begin{pmatrix} I_k & O \\ O & B \end{pmatrix} = \det B$$

$$\Rightarrow \det C = \det \begin{pmatrix} A & O \\ O & I_k \end{pmatrix} \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} I_k & O \\ O & B \end{pmatrix} = \det A \det B.$$

Lemma 35.6 Suppose  $T: V \rightarrow V$  is a linear map,  $p_T(x) = (x - \lambda_1)^{n_1} (x - \lambda_2)^{n_2} \dots (x - \lambda_k)^{n_k}$  the characteristic polynomial of  $T$  and  $V = K_{\lambda_1} \oplus W$  the  $T$ -invariant decomposition of  $V$  as above. Then

$$p_{T|_{K_{\lambda_1}}}(x) = (x - \lambda_1)^{n_1} \quad p_{T|_W} = (x - \lambda_2)^{n_2} \dots (x - \lambda_k)^{n_k}$$

and, in particular,  $\dim K_{\lambda_1} = n_1$ .

Proof Pick a basis  $A$  of  $K_{\lambda_1}$ ,  $B$  of  $W$ . Then  $E = A \cup B$  is a basis of  $V$  and

$$[T]_{EE} = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} [T|_{K_{\lambda_1}}]_{AA} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & [T|_W]_{BB} \end{array} \right)$$

$$p_T(x) = \det(x I_n - [T]_{EE}) = \det(x I_r - [T|_{K_{\lambda_1}}]_{AA}) \cdot \det(x I_t - [T|_W]_{BB})$$

where  $n = \dim V$ ,  $r = \dim K_{\lambda_1}$ ,  $t = \dim W$ .

$$\Rightarrow p_T(x) = p_{T|_{K_{\lambda_1}}}(x) \cdot p_{T|_W}(x).$$

• The only eigenvalue of  $T|_{K_{\lambda_1}}$  is  $\lambda_1$ .  $\Rightarrow p_{T|_{K_{\lambda_1}}}(x) = (x - \lambda_1)^r$

•  $\lambda_1$  is not an eigenvalue of  $T|_W$ .

$$(x - \lambda_1)^{n_1} \dots (x - \lambda_k)^{n_k} = (x - \lambda_1)^r \cdot p_{T|_W}(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow r = n_1 \quad \& \quad p_{T|_W} = (x - \lambda_2)^{n_2} \dots (x - \lambda_k)^{n_k}.$$

Corollary 35.7 Let  $T: V \rightarrow V$  be as above. Then

$$V = K_{\lambda_1} \oplus K_{\lambda_2} \oplus \dots \oplus K_{\lambda_k} \quad T\text{-inv decomposition}$$

$\dim K_{\lambda_i} = n_i$ , the algebraic multiplicity of  $\lambda_i$ .

$T|_{K_{\lambda_i}}$  has only  $\lambda_i$  as its eigenvalue and

$$(T|_{K_{\lambda_i}} - \lambda_i \cdot \text{Id}_{K_{\lambda_i}})^{m_i} = 0 \quad \text{for some } m_i \leq n_i.$$