

Last time:

- Cayley-Hamilton: $T: V \rightarrow V$ linear, $p_T(x) = \det(x \text{id}_V - T)$
Then $p_T(T) = 0$
- The minimal polynomial $m_T(x)$ of T is $(x - \lambda_1)^{m_1} \cdots (x - \lambda_k)^{m_k}$
where $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$ are eigenvalues of T and
 $m_j = \min \{i \mid N((T - \lambda_j \text{id})^i) = N((T - \lambda_j \text{id})^{i+1})\}$
- $V = K_{\lambda_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus K_{\lambda_k}$, T -invariant decomposition,
where $K_{\lambda_j} = N((T - \lambda_j \text{id})^{m_j})$

Aside if $V = U \oplus W$, $A: U \rightarrow U$, $B: W \rightarrow W$ linearthen we have $A \oplus B: U \oplus W \rightarrow U \oplus W$

$$(A \oplus B)(u+w) = Au + Bw \quad \forall u \in U, w \in W$$

$$\rightarrow T = (T|_{K_{\lambda_1}}) \oplus (T|_{K_{\lambda_2}}) \oplus \cdots \oplus (T|_{K_{\lambda_k}})$$

Let $N_j := T|_{K_{\lambda_j}} - \lambda_j \text{id}_{K_{\lambda_j}}$. Then $N_j^{m_j} = 0$ ie N_j is nilpotent. $D_j := \lambda_j \text{id}_{K_j}$ is diagonalizable.

$$\Rightarrow T|_{K_{\lambda_j}} = D_j + N_j$$

 D_j diagonalizable, N_j nilpotent

and $D_j \circ N_j = N_j \circ D_j$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Now let } D = D_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus D_k$$

$$N = N_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus N_k$$

Then (1) $T = D + N$

(2) D is diagonalizable, N nilpotent and

(3) $D \circ N = N \circ D$

This is not quite Jordan normal theorem, but it's closed.

For some applications, it's enough.

What's left to prove is

Theorem 37.1 (see Treil, Theorems 4.1, 4.2 in the last chapter)

$A: W \rightarrow W$ nilpotent linear map. Then there is a basis \mathcal{B} of W so that $[A]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} J_1(0) & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & J_r(0) \end{pmatrix}$ where $J_i(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & & 0 \\ & 0 & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 \\ 0 & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$J_i(0)$ are Jordan blocks with zeros on the diagonal.

Proof sadly we're out of time...

Note what Thm 37.1 says in the case where there is only one block:

\exists a basis b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n of W st.

$$Ab_n = b_{n-1}, Ab_{n-1} = b_{n-2}, \dots, Ab_2 = b_1 \text{ and } Ab_1 = 0.$$

Procedure for computing J.N.F. of $T: V \rightarrow V$

① compute $p_T(x) = \det(xI_V - T)$ and factor it:

$$p_T(x) = (x - \lambda_1)^{m_1} \cdots (x - \lambda_k)^{m_k}$$

② For each i , $1 \leq i \leq k$, compute $N((T - \lambda_i \text{id}))$, $N((T - \lambda_i \text{id})^2)$...

... until $N((T - \lambda_i \text{id})^{m_i}) = N((T - \lambda_i \text{id})^{m_i+1})$

Set $K_{\lambda_i} = N((T - \lambda_i \text{id})^{m_i})$, the λ_i generalized eigenspace

$m_i =$ size of the largest λ_i -Jordan block, $m_i = \dim K_{\lambda_i}$

$E_{\lambda_i} := N(T - \lambda_i \text{id})$ the λ_i -eigenspace of T

$\dim E_{\lambda_i} =$ geometric multiplicity of $\lambda_i = \#$ of λ_i Jordan blocks

while $n_i = \dim K_{\lambda_i} =$ algebraic multiplicity of λ_i

$=$ sum of dimensions of λ_i Jordan blocks

Note $d_i^{(1)} = \dim N(T - \lambda_i \text{id}) = \dim E_{\lambda_i} = \#$ of Jordan blocks

$d_i^{(2)} = \dim N((T - \lambda_i \text{id})^2) = \#$ of Jordan blocks of size ≥ 2

\vdots

Example

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(xI - T)$$

$$\det(xI - T) = \det \begin{pmatrix} x-2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x-2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & x-2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & x-2 \end{pmatrix} = (x-2)^4 \Rightarrow K_2(T) = \mathbb{C}^4$$

$$N(T-2I) = N \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \text{span}\{e_3, e_4\}$$

\Rightarrow two Jordan blocks

$$(T-2I)^2 = \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow There is no chain of vectors $b_3 \xrightarrow{T} b_2 \xrightarrow{T} b_1 \rightarrow 0$ with $b_3, b_2, b_1 \neq 0$
 \Rightarrow each Jordan block has size ≤ 2 . We have 2 blocks
 and their dimensions add up to 4. \Rightarrow

$$\text{JNF}(T) = \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right) \Leftrightarrow \text{JNF}(T-2I) = \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Let $b_1 = e_3$, $b_3 = e_4$. Need to find b_2, b_4 s.t.

$$(T-2I)(b_2) = b_1, \quad (T-2I)(b_4) = b_3.$$

ie.
s.w.r

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

b_2 b_1

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

b_4 b_3

By inspection: $b_2 = e_1$, $b_4 = e_2$

So $B = \{e_3, e_1, e_4, e_2\} \rightsquigarrow B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Now compute B^{-1} by considering $\left(B \mid \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{smallmatrix} \right)$ and using

row operations on B to convert it to I . Or $B^{-1} = B^T$ since B is orthogonal.

We get $B^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Now check that

$$B^{-1} T B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Why care about J.N.F.?

Suppose we want to solve a linear system of ODE's

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad x_i(0) = x_i^{(0)}, \quad x_2(0) = x_2^{(0)} \dots$$

$$x(t) = e^{tA} \begin{pmatrix} x_1^{(0)} \\ \vdots \\ x_n^{(0)} \end{pmatrix} \text{ is the unique solution.}$$

We need to compute $e^{tA} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n}{n!} A^n$.

Fact (ie a theorem stated without proof) Suppose $X, Y \in M_{n,n}(\mathbb{C})$ and $XY = YX$. Then $e^{X+Y} = e^X \cdot e^Y$.

Now, Jordan normal form $\Rightarrow A = D + N$, D diagonalizable, N nilpotent. $D \cdot N = N \cdot D$. Now fact \Rightarrow

$$e^{tA} = e^{tD} e^{tN}$$

Since N is nilpotent $\exists m$ st $N^m = 0$.

$$\Rightarrow e^{tN} = I + tN + \frac{t^2}{2!} N^2 + \dots + \frac{t^{m-1}}{(m-1)!} N^{m-1} + \underline{0}$$

ie. e^{tN} is a polynomial in t .

D diagonalizable $\Rightarrow \exists$ a matrix B st $B^{-1}DB = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_r \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow D = B \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_r \end{pmatrix} B^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow D^k = B \begin{pmatrix} d_1^k & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_r^k \end{pmatrix} B^{-1} \Rightarrow e^{tD} = B \begin{pmatrix} e^{td_1} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & e^{td_r} \end{pmatrix} B^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{tA} = B \begin{pmatrix} e^{td_1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e^{td_r} \end{pmatrix} B^{-1} \cdot \left(\text{matrix w. polynomial entries in } t \right)$$

We may be able to say more.

For example: Suppose $\operatorname{Re}(d_j) < 0 \forall j$

Fact Suppose $\operatorname{Re}(d) < 0$. Then \forall polynomial $p(t)$

$$e^{td} p(t) \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

\Rightarrow if all eigenvalues of A have negative real parts then then for any solution $x(t)$ of $\frac{d}{dt} x = Ax$

$$x(t) \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad (a)$$