

## Lecture 21:

### Recap

Main Theorem: (Jordan Decomposition Theorem)

Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  (distinct) with corresponding multiplicities  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k$ . Then:

(1)  $\dim(K_{\lambda_i}) = m_i$

(2)  $\mathbb{C}^n = K_{\lambda_1} \oplus K_{\lambda_2} \oplus \dots \oplus K_{\lambda_k}$

(3) Each  $K_{\lambda_i}$  has a basis  $\beta_i = \gamma_{1,i} \cup \dots \cup \gamma_{\ell,i}$  where every  $\gamma_{m,i}$  is a cycle =

$$\gamma_{m,i} = \left\{ (A - \lambda_i I)^{m-1} \vec{x}, (A - \lambda_i I)^{m-2} \vec{x}, \dots, (A - \lambda_i I) \vec{x}, \vec{x} \right\}$$

Theoretical proof:  $T: V \rightarrow V$  (fin-dim), char poly splits.  
( $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  distinct eigenvalues)

Last time:

Claim 1:  $(T - \lambda_i I)|_{K_{\lambda_j}}: K_{\lambda_j} \rightarrow K_{\lambda_j}$  is 1-1 if  $i \neq j$ .

Claim 2:  $\dim(K_{\lambda_i}) \leq m_i = \text{multiplicity of } \lambda_i$  and  
 $K_{\lambda_i} = N((T - \lambda_i I)^{m_i})$

Claim 3:  $V = K\lambda_1 + K\lambda_2 + \dots + K\lambda_k$

Pf: By M.I. on  $k = \#$  of distinct eigenvalues.

When  $k=1$ , let  $m =$  multiplicity of  $\lambda_1$ . Then, char poly of  $T$

By Cayley-Hamilton Thm,  $g(T) = (\lambda_1 I - T)^m = 0 \Leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{"} \\ \text{zero transf.} \end{matrix} (\lambda_1 - t)^m$ .

$$\therefore K_{\lambda_1} = N((T - \lambda_1 I)^m) = V$$

$\therefore$  Thm is true for  $k=1$ .

Assume that the thm is true for any lin. op. w/ fewer than  $k$  distinct eigenvalues,

Consider  $T: V \rightarrow V$  with  $k$  distinct eigenvalues:

$$\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$$

Claim 4: Let  $W = R((T - \lambda_k I)^{m_k})$  <sup>multiplicity of  $\lambda_k$</sup>

Then: ①  $T|_W : W \rightarrow W$  is well-defined. (exercise)

②  $T|_W$  has  $k-1$  distinct eigenvalues:  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{k-1}$

③  $(T - \lambda_k I)^{m_i} |_{K_{\lambda_i}} : K_{\lambda_i} \rightarrow K_{\lambda_i}$  is onto ( $i < k$ )

Assume Claim 4 is true. ( $m = m_k$ )

Let  $\vec{x} \in V$ . Then:  $(T - \lambda_k I)^m \vec{x} \in W$

By induction hypothesis,  $\exists \vec{w}_i \in K_{\lambda_i}' =$  generalised eigenspace of  $\lambda_i$   
of  $T|_W$

Such that  $(T - \lambda_k I)^m \vec{x} = \vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 + \dots + \vec{w}_{k-1}$

Also,

$K_{\lambda_i}' \subseteq K_{\lambda_i}$  for  $i < k$

$\because (T - \lambda_k I)^m |_{K_{\lambda_i}} = K_{\lambda_i} \rightarrow K_{\lambda_i}$  is onto, then:

for each  $\vec{w}_i \in K_{\lambda_i}$ ,  $\exists \vec{v}_i \in K_{\lambda_i}$  such that  $(T - \lambda_k I)^m(\vec{v}_i) = \vec{w}_i$

$$\therefore (T - \lambda_k I)^m(\vec{x}) = (T - \lambda_k I)^m(\vec{v}_1) + \dots + (T - \lambda_k I)^m(\vec{v}_{k-1})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (T - \lambda_k I)^m(\vec{x} - \vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2 - \dots - \vec{v}_{k-1}) = \vec{0}$$

$$\therefore \vec{x} - \vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2 - \dots - \vec{v}_{k-1} \in N((T - \lambda_k I)^m) = K_{\lambda_k}$$

*(Note: A red bracket in the original image groups the terms  $\vec{x} - \vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2 - \dots - \vec{v}_{k-1}$  and points to the  $K_{\lambda_k}$  result. Red arrows also point from  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_{k-1}$  to  $K_{\lambda_1}, K_{\lambda_2}, \dots, K_{\lambda_{k-1}}$  respectively.)*

$$\therefore \vec{x} = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 + \dots + \vec{v}_{k-1} + \vec{v}_k$$

*(Note: Red arrows in the original image point from  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_{k-1}$  to  $K_{\lambda_1}, K_{\lambda_2}, \dots, K_{\lambda_{k-1}}$  respectively, and from  $\vec{v}_k$  to  $K_{\lambda_k}$ .)*

## Proof of Claim 4

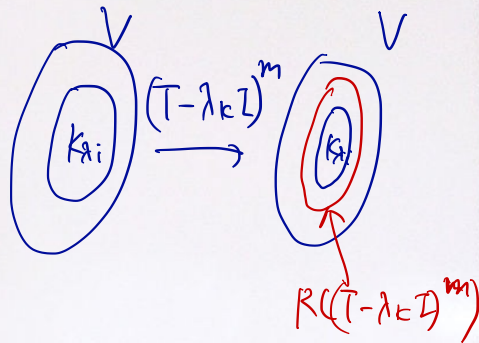
Note:  $(T - \lambda_k I)|_{K_{\lambda_i}}$  is 1-1 and onto (if  $i < k$ )

$\Rightarrow (T - \lambda_k I)^m|_{K_{\lambda_i}}$  is also onto.

Also,  $E_{\lambda_i} \subseteq K_{\lambda_i} \subseteq W = R((T - \lambda_k I)^m)$

$\therefore \lambda_i$  is an eigenvalue of  $T|_W$   
for  $i < k$

$\therefore \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{k-1}$  are eigenvalues of  $T|_W$



Next, suppose  $\lambda_k$  is an eigenvalue of  $T|_W$ .

Suppose  $T|_W(\vec{v}) = \lambda_k \vec{v}$  for  $\vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$  and  $\vec{v} \in W = R((T - \lambda_k I)^m)$

Write  $\vec{v} = (T - \lambda_k I)^m(\vec{y})$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \vec{0} &= (T - \lambda_k I)\vec{v} = (T - \lambda_k I)(T - \lambda_k I)^m(\vec{y}) \\ &= (T - \lambda_k I)^{m+1}(\vec{y})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{y} \in K_{\lambda_k} = N((T - \lambda_k I)^m)$$

$$\therefore \underbrace{(T - \lambda_k I)^m(\vec{y})}_{\vec{v}} = \vec{0}$$

Contradiction.

Claim 5: Let  $\beta_i =$  ordered basis of  $K_{\lambda_i}$ .

Then:  $\beta = \beta_1 \cup \beta_2 \cup \dots \cup \beta_k$  is a disjoint union and a basis of  $V$ .

Pf Disjoint union. Let  $\vec{x} \in \beta_i \cap \beta_j$  ( $i \neq j$ )  $\subseteq K_{\lambda_i} \cap K_{\lambda_j}$ .

$$K_{\lambda_j} \ni (T - \lambda_i I) \vec{x} \neq \vec{0} \quad ((T - \lambda_i I)|_{K_{\lambda_j}} \text{ is } (-1))$$

$$(T - \lambda_i I)^2 \vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$$

$$\vdots$$
$$(T - \lambda_i I)^p \vec{x} \neq \vec{0} \quad \text{for } \forall p.$$

$\therefore \vec{x} \notin K_{\lambda_i}$  (Contradiction)



Basis: Let  $\vec{x} \in V$ . By claim 3,

$$\vec{x} = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 + \dots + \vec{v}_k \quad \text{where } \vec{v}_i \in K_{\lambda_i}$$

$\begin{array}{ccc} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ K_{\lambda_1} & K_{\lambda_2} & K_{\lambda_k} \\ \parallel & \parallel & \parallel \\ \text{Span}(\beta_1) & \text{Span}(\beta_2) & \text{Span}(\beta_k) \end{array}$

$$\therefore V = \text{Span}(\beta)$$

Let  $q = |\beta|$ . Then:  $\dim(V) \leq q$

Let  $d_i = \dim(K_{\lambda_i})$ . Then:  $q = \sum_i d_i \leq \sum_i m_i = \dim(V)$

$\therefore \dim(V) = q \Rightarrow \beta$  is a basis.

Claim 6:  $\dim(K_{\lambda_i}) = m_i$

Pf:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_i d_i &= \sum_i m_i \Rightarrow \sum_i (m_i - d_i) = 0 \\ &= \dim(V) \Rightarrow m_i = d_i \text{ for } \forall i. \end{aligned}$$

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$$V = K_{\lambda_1} \oplus K_{\lambda_2} \oplus \dots \oplus K_{\lambda_k}$$

Claim 7: Let  $\mathcal{V}_1 = \{ (T - \lambda I)^{m_1} \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_1 \}$

$$\vdots$$
$$\mathcal{V}_q = \{ (T - \lambda I)^{m_q} \vec{v}_q, \dots, \vec{v}_q \}$$

If initial vectors are linearly independent, then:

$\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V}_1 \cup \mathcal{V}_2 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{V}_q$  is disjoint union and it's

linearly independent.

Pf: Disjoint union: exercise

Linear independence > Use M.I. on  $n = \#$  of element in  $\mathcal{V}$ .

When  $n=1$ , trivial

Assume the thm is true for  $\mathcal{V}$  having less than  $n$  elements

When  $|\mathcal{Y}| = n$ , let

$$\mathcal{Y}'_1 = \{ (T - \lambda I)^{m_1} \vec{v}_1, \dots, (T - \lambda I) \vec{v}_1 \}$$

$\vdots$

$$\mathcal{Y}'_g = \{ (T - \lambda I)^{m_g} \vec{v}_g, \dots, (T - \lambda I) \vec{v}_g \}$$

Let  $\mathcal{Y}' = \mathcal{Y}'_1 \cup \mathcal{Y}'_2 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{Y}'_g$ .  $\therefore |\mathcal{Y}'| = n - g$

Let  $W = \text{span}(\mathcal{Y})$ . Let  $U = (T - \lambda I)|_W : W \rightarrow W$ .

Then:  $R(U) = \text{span}(\mathcal{Y}')$  (Check)

$\because$  initial vectors of  $\mathcal{Y}'_i$ 's are L.I.

$\therefore \mathcal{Y}'$  is L.I. (by induction hypothesis.)

$\therefore \dim(R(U)) = |\mathcal{Y}'| = n - g$

Also,  $S = \{ (T - \lambda I)^{m_1} \vec{v}_1, \dots, (T - \lambda I)^{m_g} (\vec{v}_g) \} \subseteq N((T - \lambda I)|_W)$

$\therefore \dim(N(U)) \geq g$   $U = (T - \lambda I)|_W: W \rightarrow W$   $N(U)$

$\therefore \underbrace{n}_{|\gamma|} \geq \dim(W) = \dim(R(U)) + \dim(N(U))$   
 $\geq n - g + g = n$

$\therefore \dim(W) = n, |\gamma| = n$  and  $\text{span}(\gamma) = W$

$\therefore \gamma$  is a basis of  $W$  and  $\gamma$  is L.Z.

Claim 8: Suppose  $\beta =$  basis of  $V =$  disjoint union of cycles.

Then: ① For each cycle  $\gamma$  in  $\beta$ ,  $W = \text{span}(\gamma)$  is  $T$ -invariant  
and  $[T|_W]_\gamma =$  Jordan block.

②  $\beta =$  JC basis for  $V$ ,

Claim 9: Let  $\lambda = \text{eigenvalue of } T$ .

Then:  $K_\lambda$  has a basis  $\beta = \text{union of disjoint cycles w.r.t. } \lambda$ .

Pf: By M.I. on  $n = \dim(K_\lambda)$

When  $n=1$ , trivial.

Suppose the result is true for  $\dim(K_\lambda) < n$ .

When  $\dim(K_\lambda) = n$ . Let  $u = (T - \lambda I)|_{K_\lambda} : K_\lambda \rightarrow K_\lambda$

Then:  $\dim(R(u)) < \dim(K_\lambda) = n$

( $\because \dim(K_\lambda) = \dim(N(u)) + \dim(R(u))$ ,  $\dim(E_\lambda) \geq 1$ )

Let  $K_\lambda' = \text{generalized eigenspace corresponding to } \lambda \text{ of } T|_{R(u)}$

$$R(u) = K_\lambda'$$

By induction hypothesis,  $\exists$  disjoint cycles  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_g$  of  $T|_{R(U)}$

$\gamma = \bigcup_{i=1}^g \gamma_i$  is a basis for  $R(U) = K_{\lambda'}$

Let  $\gamma_i = \{ \underbrace{(T|_{R(U)} - \lambda I)^{m_i}}_{w_i} \vec{x}_i, \dots, \vec{x}_i \}$

Let  $\vec{x}_i = U \vec{v}_i = (T - \lambda I) \vec{v}_i, \vec{v}_i \in K_{\lambda'} = R(U)$

Define:  $\tilde{\gamma}_i = \{ \underbrace{(T - \lambda I)^{m_i+1}}_{w_i} (\vec{v}_i), \dots, (T - \lambda I)(\vec{v}_i), \vec{v}_i \}$

Note:  $S = \{ \underbrace{\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \dots, \vec{w}_g}_{w_i} \}$  is L.I. subset of  $E_{\lambda}$

Extend  $S$  to a basis of  $E_{\lambda} = \{ \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_g, \vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_s \}$

By construction,  $\tilde{\gamma}_1, \tilde{\gamma}_2, \dots, \tilde{\gamma}_g, \{ \vec{u}_1 \}, \{ \vec{u}_2 \}, \dots, \{ \vec{u}_s \}$  are disjoint union of cycles  $\Rightarrow$  initial vectors are L.I.



$\therefore \tilde{\gamma} = \bigcup_{i=1}^g \tilde{\gamma}_i \cup \{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_s\}$  is L.I. subset of  $K_\lambda$ ,

Now, we show  $\tilde{\gamma}$  is a basis of  $K_\lambda$ .  $U = K_\lambda \rightarrow K_\lambda$

Suppose  $|\gamma| = r = \dim(R(U))$

Then:  $|\tilde{\gamma}| = r + g + s$

$\therefore \{\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \dots, \vec{w}_g, \vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_s\}$  is a basis of  $E_\lambda$

$\therefore \dim(N(U)) = g + s$

$\therefore \dim(K_\lambda) = \dim(R(U)) + \dim(N(U)) = r + g + s = |\tilde{\gamma}|$

$\therefore \tilde{\gamma}$  is a basis for  $K_\lambda$

Claim 10:  $T$  has JCF.