



Linear Algebra - Part 63

Assume: x eigenvector for $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ associated to eigenvalue $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$

Then: $Ax = \lambda x \implies A(Ax) = A(\lambda x) = \lambda(Ax)$
 $\implies A^2 x = \lambda^2 x$ (where $Ax = \lambda x$)

$\implies A^2 x = \lambda^2 x \implies A^3 x = \lambda^3 x$

induction

$\implies A^m x = \lambda^m x$ for all $m \in \mathbb{N}$

Spectral mapping theorem: $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$, $p: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $p(z) = c_m z^m + \dots + c_1 z^1 + c_0$

Define: $p(A) = c_m A^m + c_{m-1} A^{m-1} + \dots + c_1 A + c_0 \mathbb{1}_n \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$

Then: $\text{spec}(p(A)) = \{ p(\lambda) \mid \lambda \in \text{spec}(A) \}$

Proof: Show two inclusion: (\supseteq) (see above) \checkmark

(\subseteq) **1st case:** p constant, $p(z) = c_0$.

Take $\tilde{\lambda} \in \text{spec}(p(A)) \implies \det(p(A) - \tilde{\lambda} \mathbb{1}) = 0$
 $\implies (c_0 - \tilde{\lambda})^n = 0$ (where $c_0 \mathbb{1}$)

$\implies \tilde{\lambda} \in \{ p(\lambda) \mid \lambda \in \text{spec}(A) \}$ \checkmark

2nd case: p not constant. Do proof by contraposition.

Assume: $\mu \notin \{p(\lambda) \mid \lambda \in \text{spec}(A)\}$

Define polynomial: $q(z) = p(z) - \mu$
 $= c \cdot (z - a_1)(z - a_2) \dots (z - a_m)$
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By definition of μ : $a_j \notin \text{spec}(A)$ for all j

$$\Rightarrow \det(A - a_j \mathbb{1}) \neq 0 \quad \text{for all } j$$

Hence: $\det(p(A) - \mu \mathbb{1}) = \det(q(A))$

$$= \det(c \cdot (A - a_1)(A - a_2) \dots (A - a_m))$$

$$= c^n \cdot \det(A - a_1) \det(A - a_2) \dots \det(A - a_m)$$

$$\neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu \notin \text{spec}(p(A)) \quad \square$$

Example: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $\text{spec}(A) = \{1, 4\}$

$$B = 3A^3 - 7A^2 + A - 2\mathbb{1}, \quad \text{spec}(B) = \{-5, 82\}$$