

Lecture 48

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Recall Rational Canonical Form

Linear transformation $T: V \rightarrow V$, V a fin dim F -vs. \exists basis of V s.t. the matrix for T wrt that basis was a direct sum of companion matrices

$$C_{a_i(x)}, \text{ where } V \cong \bigoplus F[x]/(a_i(x))$$

* $a_1(x) \mid a_2(x) \mid \dots \mid a_m(x)$ are monic poly's in $F[x]$.

If $a(x) = x^k + b_{k-1}x^{k-1} + \dots + b_0$, then

$$C_{a(x)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & & 0 & -b_0 \\ 1 & 0 & & 0 & -b_1 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & -b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & & 0 & -b_3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & & 1 & -b_{k-1} \end{pmatrix},$$

Recall $S, T: V \rightarrow V$ linear maps are similar if \exists linear iso $U: V \rightarrow V$ s.t.

$$S = U T U^{-1}.$$

Thm TFAE: ① S, T are similar

② $V_S \cong V_T$ as $F[x]$ -modules

\uparrow V w/ x acting as S \uparrow V w/ x acting as T

③ S & T have the same RCF.

~~RCF~~

Pf ① \Rightarrow ②: Take $U \in GL(V)$ s.t. $S = UTU^{-1}$.

Then $U: V_T \rightarrow V_S$ is an iso of $F[x]$ -modules.

Indeed, $U(x \cdot v) = U(Tv) = (UT)(v)$

$$= (SU)(v) = S(Uv) = x \cdot (Uv).$$

② \Rightarrow ③: Same inv't factors \Rightarrow same RCF.

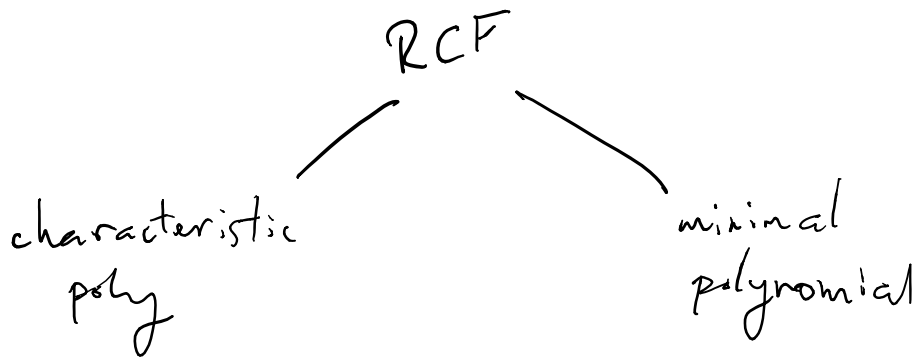
③ \Rightarrow ①: \exists bases s.t. S, T have same matrix so S, T similar.



Cor $A, B \in M_n(F)$, $F \subseteq K$, K another field.

A, B are similar over $K \iff$ similar over F . \square

Note RCF of matrix A always has entries in the smallest subfield containing entries of A .



Lemma ① The char poly of a companion matrix $C_a(x)$ is $a(x)$.

② If $M = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & & 0 \\ & A_2 & \\ 0 & & \dots \\ & & & A_m \end{pmatrix}$ is a block

sum of A_i , then $c_M(x) = \prod c_{A_i}(x)$

pf ② $xI - M = \bigoplus xI - A_i$ ✓

① $a(x) = x^k + b_{k-1}x^{k-1} + \dots + b_0$

$$xI - C_{a(x)} = \begin{pmatrix} x & & & & b_0 \\ -1 & x & & & b_1 \\ & -1 & x & & b_2 \\ & & & \dots & \vdots \\ & & & & -1 & x + b_{k-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Expand along final column:

$$(-1)^{k-1} b_0 \det \begin{pmatrix} -1 & x & & & \\ & -1 & x & & \\ & & -1 & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & -1 & x \\ & & & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} = (-1)^{k-1} b_0 (-1)^{k-1} = b_0$$

$$(-1)^k b_1 \det \begin{pmatrix} & x & & & \\ & -1 & x & & \\ & & -1 & x & \\ & & & -1 & \\ & & & & \ddots & x \\ & & & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} = (-1)^k b_1 x (-1)^{k-2} = b_1 x$$

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0
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$$\text{char poly} = \det(xI - C_{a(x)}) = a(x)$$


□

Thm If $a_1(x), \dots, a_m(x)$ are the invariant factors of the $F[x]$ -mod V_T , $T: V \rightarrow V$, then

$$c_T(x) = \prod_{i=1}^m a_i(x).$$

Pf Let $B = \begin{pmatrix} C_{a_1(x)} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & C_{a_m(x)} \end{pmatrix}$ be the RCF of T .

By the lemma, $c_B(x) = \prod a_i(x)$.

But T & B are similar, thus have the same characteristic polynomial! 

Cor $m_T(x) \mid c_T(x)$

$c_T(x) \mid m_T(x)^N \Rightarrow m_T(x), c_T(x)$ have same roots.

Algorithm for computing RCF: Reading

Sometimes tricks are enough:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad xI - A = \begin{pmatrix} x & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & x & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & x \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_A(x) = x \det \begin{pmatrix} x & 1 \\ 1 & x \end{pmatrix} = x(x^2 - 1) = x(x-1)(x+1).$$

$\Rightarrow m_A(x) = x(x-1)(x+1)$ b/c it divides $c_A(x)$ & has the same roots.

~~Thus the invariant factors~~

Since $\prod_{i=1}^m a_i(x) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^{m-1} a_i(x) \right) \cdot m_A(x) \stackrel{\text{Thm}}{=} c_A(x)$,

get $m_A(x)$ is the unique inv't factor,

We get $F_A^3 \cong F[x] / (x(x-1)(x+1)) \cong F[x] / (x^3 - x)$

and RCF for A is $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Finite abelian groups

order n

$$\mathbb{Z}/a_1\mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}/a_m\mathbb{Z}$$

a_i 's invt factors, $n = \prod a_i$

exponent a_m (generator of annihilator)

elementary divisors

torsion $F[x]$ -modules

char poly $c(x)$

$$\bigoplus F[x]/(a_i(x))$$

min poly $m_{r_i}(x)$

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