

NO AIDS are permitted for this quiz. Show all your work. Correct answers with little or no supporting work will not be given credit. Write legibly.

1. (7 pts) Let $V = P_3(\mathbb{R})$ and define $T : V \rightarrow V$ by $T(f(x)) = f'(x) + f''(x)$. Test T for diagonalizability.

Use the standard ordered basis $\beta = \{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$ for $P_3(\mathbb{R})$

$$T(1) = 0, \quad T(x) = 1, \quad T(x^2) = 2x + 2, \quad T(x^3) = 3x^2 + 6x$$

$$[T]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(+2)

$$C_T(x) = \det([T]_{\beta} - xI) = \det \begin{pmatrix} -x & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -x & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -x & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -x \end{pmatrix} = x^4 \quad \text{splits.}$$

So, T has one eigenvalue $\lambda = 0$ with multiplicity $m = 4$.

(+2)

$$\dim(E_{\lambda}) = 4 - \text{rank}([T]_{\beta} - 0 \cdot I) = 4 - \text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 4 - 3$$

$$= 1 \neq m = 4.$$

(+2)

So, T is NOT diagonalizable.

(+1)

2. (5 pts) Given $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$, test A for diagonalizability.

$$C_A(x) = \det(A - xI) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1-x & 4 \\ 3 & 2-x \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (1-x)(2-x) - 12$$

$$= 2 - 3x + x^2 - 12$$

$$= (x-5)(x+2) \quad \text{splits.}$$

(+2)

$\lambda_1 = 5$ with multiplicity $m_1 = 1$, so $\dim(E_{\lambda_1}) = 1$

$\lambda_2 = -2$ with multiplicity $m_2 = 1$, so $\dim(E_{\lambda_2}) = 1$

(+2)

So, A is diagonalizable.

(+1)