

5.2.1

- a) False. Eg: identity operator
- b) False. See 5.1.1
- c) False. Eg: the zero vector.
- d) True. (Thm 5.5)
- e) False. (Corollary to Thm. 2.3)
- f) False. polynomial splitting also essential
- g) True.
- h) True.
- i) False.

5.2.8

(Thanks to Kelly Shue - an adapted proof)
 $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ has 2 distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \Rightarrow \dim(E_{\lambda_1}) = n-1$.
 Then A diagonalizable.

$A \leftrightarrow$ linear operator L_A .

- Need:
- (i) $f(t)$ splits over \mathbb{F}
 - (ii) $\dim(E_{\lambda_1}) = \text{mult}(\lambda_1) \stackrel{\text{not.}}{=} m_1$
 $\dim(E_{\lambda_2}) = \text{mult}(\lambda_2) \stackrel{\text{not.}}{=} m_2$

★ Careful! You cannot assume λ_1, λ_2 are only eigenvalues, or that T splits over \mathbb{F} .

By Thm. 5.7, $\dim E_{\lambda_1} \leq m_1 \Rightarrow n-1 \leq m_1$ (1)
 $1 \leq \dim E_{\lambda_2} \leq m_2 \Rightarrow 1 \leq m_2$ (2)

Know $f(t) = (\lambda_1 - t)^{m_1} (\lambda_2 - t)^{m_2} \underbrace{g(t)}_{\deg(g) = x \geq 0}$, the presumably non-splittable part.

but $\deg(f(t)) = n \Rightarrow m_1 + m_2 + x = n$
 From (1), (2), $m_1 + m_2 \geq (n-1) + 1 = n$ } $\Rightarrow x = 0$,
 so $g(t) = c \in \mathbb{F}$

So: $f(t) = c(\lambda_1 - t)^{m_1} (\lambda_2 - t)^{m_2}$, and thus f splits over \mathbb{F} .

But now: $m_1 + m_2 = n$
 $m_1 \geq n-1$
 $m_2 \geq 1$ } \Rightarrow only possibility is $\underline{m_1 = n-1}, \underline{m_2 = 1}$

so: $\dim(E_{\lambda_1}) = n-1$
 $\dim(E_{\lambda_2}) = 1$ } hence A is diagonalizable
 Q.E.D.