

## Exerzition II

Submit your *concise* solutions in the correct order and no later than 4:10 pm on Sept. 29, in your tutorial.

Reading suggestion: **Sums and direct sums**, Review all of Chapter 1 in Axler, and read first section of Chapter 2.

### Exercise 1.

1. Let  $U_1, U_2$  be subspaces of the vector space  $V$ . Prove that their intersection  $U_1 \cap U_2$  is also a subspace of  $V$ .
2. Let  $U_1, U_2, \dots$  be an infinite collection of subspaces, where each subspace  $U_n$  is labeled by a natural number  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Prove that the intersection of all the  $U_n$  is a subspace of  $V$ . In other words, show that the following is a subspace of  $V$ :

$$\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n = \{x \in V : x \in U_n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

3. Is the union  $U_1 \cup U_2$  of subspaces also a subspace? If yes, prove it, if no, give a counterexample.

**Exercise 2.** Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$  be the real vector space of functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Define the “even” and “odd” functions as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} V_e &:= \{f \in V \mid f(-x) = f(x) \ \forall x \in \mathbb{R}\}, \\ V_o &:= \{f \in V \mid f(-x) = -f(x) \ \forall x \in \mathbb{R}\}. \end{aligned}$$

1. Prove that  $V_e$  and  $V_o$  are subspaces.
2. Show that the sum  $V_e + V_o$  is all of  $V$ .
3. Prove that the sum is direct, i.e.  $V = V_e \oplus V_o$ .
4. Give the decomposition of the function  $f(x) = e^x$  according to the above direct sum. That is, write  $f$  as a sum  $f = f_e + f_o$ , where  $f_e \in V_e$  and  $f_o \in V_o$ . Do you recognize  $f_e, f_o$ ?

**Exercise 3.** Let  $V = (\mathbb{F}_2)^3$ , the set of triples  $(x, y, z)$  of numbers in  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , the field with two elements.  $V$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ .

1. Prove that any subspace of  $V$  must have either 1, 2, 4, or 8 elements.
2. List all the subspaces of  $V$  with 1, 2, 4, and 8 elements.
3. Give a system of linear equations whose solutions give exactly the linear subspace  $\{(0, 0, 0), (1, 1, 1)\}$ .