

## Math 117 Homework 4

2.1.1 Recall that the complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$  may be regarded as an  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space.

1. Find a basis  $B$  for  $\mathbb{C}$  as an  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space. Explain why it is a basis.
2. Let  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  be a complex number. Consider the multiplication by  $z$  map

$$\begin{aligned} z : \mathbb{C} &\rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ x &\mapsto zx. \end{aligned}$$

Explain why this is an  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map.

3. If  $z = a + bi$ , find the matrix  $[z]_B$  of the multiplication-by- $z$  map with respect to the basis  $B$  from (i). Your matrix should be given in terms of  $a$  and  $b$ .

*Solution.* 1. it is important to observe that a complex number can be shown as a linear combination of  $i$  and  $1$  explicitly a complex number is of the form  $z = a + bi$  here  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  can be shown as  $a(1) + b(i)$  where  $1$  and  $i$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{R}$  no real linear combination of such numbers equal zero only if the coefficients are zero so  $B = \{1, i\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{C}$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ . The set  $1, i$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbb{R}$  since no non trivial real linear combination of these numbers equals  $0$ . Therefore a basis for  $\mathbb{C}$  as an  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space is  $B = \{1, i\}$ .

2. Let  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  be a complex number. Consider the multiplication by  $z$  map Explain why this is an  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map.

Given the definition from the lecture notes Definition 1.3.1. A function  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is called a linear map or linear transformation if for all  $x, y \in V$  and all  $a \in F$  then (i)  $T(x + y) = T(x) + T(y)$  (ii)  $T(ax) = aT(x)$  A linear map  $T : V \rightarrow V$  is also called a linear operator on  $V$ . Given this definition for a map  $z : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  to be  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear then it must satisfy the following properties  $z(x + y) = zx + zy$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{C}$  from (i) in the definition.  $z(c \cdot x) = c \cdot (zx)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  from (ii) in the definition. Now the objective is to verify these properties for the map  $z$ . So for any  $x, y \in \mathbb{C}$  then  $z(x + y) = z \cdot x + z \cdot y$  This is from the distributive property of complex numbers and this satisfies the first property of linear maps where  $T(x + y) = T(x) + T(y)$ . For any  $x \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $z(c \cdot x) = c \cdot (zx)$  This is because multiplication by a real number in the complex numbers is commutative. This goes with the second property of linear maps so  $T(ax) = aT(x)$ . Therefore the multiplication by  $z$  map is indeed an  $\mathbb{R}$  linear map by the given definition since the properties have been verified.

3. Using the basis  $B = \{1, i\}$ , we can determine the matrix of the multiplication-by- $z$  map with respect to the basis found earlier in 1. For the first basis element  $1$  It is shown as  $z \cdot 1 = (a + bi) \cdot 1 = a + bi$  now in terms of basis  $B$  this can be shown as the following column

vector  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$

For the second basis element  $i \cdot z \cdot i = (a + bi) \cdot i = -b + ai$  now in terms of basis  $B$  this is the column vector  $\begin{bmatrix} -b \\ a \end{bmatrix}$  the matrix  $[z]_B$  representing the multiplication-by- $z$  map with respect to basis  $B$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$  since it is both components combined.

2.2.1 Consider the vector space  $F_2[x]$ . Let

$$S = \{1 + x^2, 1 - x^2, x + x^2, 1 + x + x^2\}.$$

Show that  $S$  spans  $F_2[x]$  and find a basis  $B$  for  $F_2[x]$  contained in  $S$ .

*Solution.* the objective is to show that the set  $S$  spans  $F_2[x]$  and find a basis  $B$  for  $F_2[x]$  contained in  $S$ .

Where  $S = \{1 + x^2, 1 - x^2, x + x^2, 1 + x + x^2\}$ . Within  $F_2[x]$  the vector space of polynomials with coefficients from the field  $F_2$ . In  $F_2$  there are only two elements 0 and 1 since the arithmetic is modulo 2 thus  $1 + 1 = 0$ . First will show that  $S$  spans  $F_2[x]$  taking the degrees into consideration where for every polynomial of  $F_2[x]$  of degree 2 or less it will be shown as a linear combination of the polynomials in  $S$ . For 1 using  $1 + x^2$  and  $1 - x^2$  then  $1 = \frac{1}{2}(1 + x^2) + \frac{1}{2}(1 - x^2)$ . For  $x$  in the set using  $x + x^2$  and  $1 + x^2$  then the result is  $x = (1 + x + x^2) - (1 + x^2)$  after subtracting. for  $x^2$  using  $1 + x^2$  then the result after sub 1 is  $x^2 = (1 + x^2) - 1$ . For  $1 + x$  using  $1 + x + x^2$  minus  $x + x^2$  then  $1 + x = (1 + x + x^2) - (x + x^2)$ . For  $x + x^2$  it is observed that it is  $\in S$  also considering  $1 + x^2$  and  $1 + x + x^2$  are in  $S$ .

Thus it is shown that every polynomial in  $F_2[x]$  with the given degree can be expressed using the elements of  $S$ . Therefore  $S$  spans  $F_2[x]$ . Now to address a basis  $B$  contained in  $S$  the smallest set of linearly independent polynomials from  $S$  that can still span  $F_2[x]$ .

From  $S$  it is observable that  $x + x^2$  is a linear combination of the others thus it's dependent also polynomials  $1 + x^2$ ,  $1 - x^2$ , and  $1 + x + x^2$  aren't linear combinations of any others in  $S$  thus they're independent. Therefore basis  $B$  would be  $B = \{1 + x^2, 1 - x^2, 1 + x + x^2\}$

2.2.2 Consider the vector space  $F^{2 \times 2}$ . Let

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Show that  $S$  is linearly independent.

*Solution.* The objective show that the set  $S$  is linearly independent in the vector space  $F^{2 \times 2}$ .

$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  Linear independence in matrices means that no matrix in the set can be expressed as a linear combination of the others. begin by setting

up a linear combination of the matrices in  $S$  with scalars  $a, b, c$ , and  $d$ , and set this equal to the zero matrix so  $a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  Now performing expansion on the matrix results in  $\begin{bmatrix} a+b+2c+d & a-b+c+d \\ a-b+c-d & a+b+3c+5d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Now you can create a system of equations as such

1.  $a+b+2c+d=0$  , 2.  $a-b+c+d=0$  3.  $a-b+c-d=0$  4.  $a+b+3c+5d=0$  Now the objective is to solve them

$2b+3c=0$  from 1. and 2.

Also  $2a+2c=0$  where  $a=-c$  from 3,4

$-2c-4d=0$  then  $c=-2d$  From 1,4

combining the results then  $a=b=c=d=0$  which is trivial sol. Then the system of equations only has the trivial solution where  $a=b=c=d=0$ . Then none of the matrices  $\in S$  can be expressed as a linear combination of the others.

Therefore set  $S$  is linearly independent in the vector space  $F^{2 \times 2}$ .

2.2.3 Consider the linear map  $T : F^{2 \times 3} \rightarrow F^2$  given by summing the columns of a matrix:

$$T \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+b+c \\ d+e+f \end{bmatrix}$$

Find bases for  $\ker(T)$  and  $\text{Im}(T)$ .

*Solution.* The objective is to find the bases for the kernel ( $\ker(T)$ ) and the image ( $\text{Im}(T)$ ) of the linear map  $T$  Given the transformation  $T \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+b+c \\ d+e+f \end{bmatrix}$

Here the kernel of  $T$  consists of all matrices in  $F^{2 \times 3}$  that map to the zero vector in  $F^2$ .

Thus  $\begin{bmatrix} a+b+c \\ d+e+f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Now observing the derived equations are the following  $a+b+c=0$  and  $d+e+f=0$  thus using the equations results in  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b & -a-b \\ d & e & -d-e \end{bmatrix}$  Which is in the kernel of  $T$ .

now considering when  $a=1, b=0$  and  $d=0, e=0$  the result is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Doing the same for  $a=0, b=1$  and  $d=0, e=0$  the result is  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Now the same for  $a=0, b=0$  and  $d=1, e=0$  the result is  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Observe that the matrices are linearly independent thus they are forming the basis for  $\ker(T)$  where it is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ Now addressing the image of } T$$

Given the transformation  $T$ , any vector in  $F^2$  of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$  can be done with a combination of the columns in the matrix space  $F^{2 \times 3}$ . Thus image of  $T$  spans all of  $F^2$  so a basis for  $F^2$  and therefore for  $(T)$  is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

2.2.4 Consider the linear operator  $T$  on  $F_2[x]$  given by the change of variables  $x \mapsto x + 1$ :

$$T(p(x)) = p(x + 1).$$

Let  $B = \{1, x, x^2\}$  be the standard basis for  $F_2[x]$ . Explain why  $[T]_B$  is an invertible matrix and find its inverse.

*Solution.* The problem pertains to a linear operator  $T$  on the polynomial space  $F_2[x]$ . This operator is characterized by the transformation  $x \mapsto x + 1$ . We are provided with a standard basis for this space as  $B = \{1, x, x^2\}$ . The objective is to determine if the matrix representation of this operator with respect to this basis is invertible and provide its inverse. First for the matrix representation  $[T]_B$  applying the transformation  $T$  to each basis vector in  $B$  results in  $T(1)$  which is 1 since there's no  $x$  to substitute. Now for  $T(x)$  it is  $x + 1$ . Now for  $T(x^2)$  after  $x + 1$  is squared the result is  $x^2 + 2x + 1$  here  $\in F_2$  so the coefficients are modulo 2 then it becomes  $x^2 + 1$ . Now analyzing the transformed polynomials in terms of the basis  $B$  where 1 is 1 of the basis 1, 0 of the basis  $x$ , and 0 of the basis  $x^2$ .  $x + 1$  is 1 of the basis 1, 1 of the basis  $x$ , and 0 of the basis  $x^2$ .  $x^2 + 1$  is 1 of the basis 1, 0 of the basis  $x$ , and 1 of the basis  $x^2$ . form the matrix representation  $[T]_B$  and using the coeff then

$$[T]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ A matrix is invertible if its determinant is non zero thus computing}$$

such value is  $\det([T]_B) = 1(1 \times 1 - 0 \times 0) = 1$  here determinant is non-zero in  $F_2$  so  $[T]_B$  is invertible. Now to find the inverse

$$[T]_B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ in } F_2 \text{ -1 is equivalent to 1 thus}$$

$$[T]_B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ Therefore } [T]_B \text{ is found to be invertible and its inverse is}$$

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