

# Assignment 11

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**Abstract**—This document explains a proof on linear transformations.

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## 1 PROBLEM

Let  $\mathbb{W}$  be the set of all  $2 \times 2$  complex Hermitian matrices, that is the sset of  $2 \times 2$  complex matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  ssuch that  $\mathbf{A}_{ij} = \overline{\mathbf{A}_{ji}}$  (the bar denoting complex conjugation).  $\mathbb{W}$  is a vector space over the field of real numbers, under the usual operations. Verify that

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ t \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} t+x & y+iz \\ y-iz & t-x \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.1)$$

is an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  onto  $\mathbb{W}$ .

## 2 SOLUTION

- 1) **Check for linearity:** The transformation  $T$  is given by

$$T : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{W} \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t+x & y+iz \\ y-iz & t-x \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.2)$$

Let vectors  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ t_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \\ t_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4$  and scalar  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ t_1 \end{pmatrix} + T \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \\ t_2 \end{pmatrix} = T \begin{pmatrix} x_1+x_2 \\ y_1+y_2 \\ z_1+z_2 \\ t_1+t_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.3)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (t_1+t_2) + (x_1+x_2) & (y_1+y_2) + i(z_1+z_2) \\ (y_1+y_2) - i(z_1+z_2) & (t_1+t_2) - (x_1+x_2) \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} t_1+x_1 & y_1+iz_1 \\ y_1-iz_1 & t_1-x_1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} t_2+x_2 & y_2+iz_2 \\ y_2-iz_2 & t_2-x_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.5)$$

$$= T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ t_1 \end{pmatrix} + T \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \\ t_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.6)$$

$$T \left( \alpha \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ t_1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = T \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha y_1 \\ \alpha z_1 \\ \alpha t_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \alpha(t_1+x_1) & \alpha(y_1+iz_1) \\ \alpha(y_1-iz_1) & \alpha(t_1-x_1) \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.8)$$

$$= \alpha \begin{pmatrix} t_1+x_1 & y_1+iz_1 \\ y_1-iz_1 & t_1-x_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.9)$$

$$= \alpha T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ t_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.10)$$

From the equations (2.0.6) and (2.0.10), we can say that transformation  $T$  is linear.

- 2) **Check for invertibility of  $T$ :** Consider the following matrix representation of the transfor-

mation  $T$ ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -i & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t+x \\ y+iz \\ y-iz \\ t-x \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.11)$$

We now form a  $2 \times 2$  complex Hermitian matrix from the transformed complex vector in (2.0.11) as follows.

$$\begin{pmatrix} t+x & y+iz \\ y-iz & t-x \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.12)$$

Hence the transformation matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -i & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.13)$$

Consider the augmented matrix,

$$(\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{I}) = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & i & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad (2.0.14)$$

Row-reducing the equation (2.0.14), we get

$$[\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{A}^{-1}] = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-i}{2} & \frac{i}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right] \quad (2.0.15)$$

From the equation (2.0.15), we can say that the transformation matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is invertible. Hence we can write the inverse transformation from  $\mathbb{W}$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^4$  as follows,

$$\begin{pmatrix} t+x & y+iz \\ y-iz & t-x \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ t \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.16)$$

Where the matrix representation is,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{-i}{2} & \frac{i}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x+t \\ y+iz \\ y-iz \\ t-x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ t \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.17)$$

We know  $\mathbb{R}^4$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{W}$  if there exists a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{W}$  that is invertible. Such a  $T$  is an isomorphism from  $\mathbb{R}^4$  onto  $\mathbb{W}$ . Hence from equations (2.0.11) and (2.0.17), we can say

that (1.0.1) is isomorphism from  $\mathbb{R}^4$  onto  $\mathbb{W}$ .