# Math115 assign4

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From Section 1.5: exercise 1 parts (b), (d), (e); exercise 2 parts (a), (b), (c); exercises 7, 16, 18, 20.

From Section 1.6: exercise 1 parts (a) through (g); exercise 2 part (a); exercise 3 part (a); exercises 4, 5, 11, 12, 15, 31.

### 1.5

- 1. Label the following statements as true or false.
- b) Any set containing the zero vector is linearly dependent. False
- d) Subsets of linearly dependent sets are linearly dependent. False
- e) Subsets of linearly independent sets are linearly independent. True
- 2. Determine whether the following sets are linearly dependent or linearly independent.
- a) Linearly dependent,  $c_1 = 1, c_2 = -2$
- b) Linearly independent
- c) Linearly independent
- 7. Recall from Example 3 in Section 1.3 that the set of diagonal matrices in  $M_{2\times 2}(F)$  is a subspace. Find a linearly independent set that generates this subspace.

As long as the diagonal matrices is a  $m \times n$  zero matrices the set can generate this subspace is  $S = \{0\}$ 

16. Prove that a set S of vectors is linearly independent if and only if each finite subset of S is linearly independent.

**Proof:** Recall that the subset of a linear independent set will be independent. So we can say that any random subset  $S' \in S$  is linear independent iff S is linear independent. Therefore, when all of the S' in S are linear independent we will have S, the original set, is linear independent.

18. Let S be a set of nonzero polynomials in P(F) such that no two have the same degree. Prove that S is linearly independent.

Proof:  $S \in P(F)$ ,  $S = \{1, X, X^2, X^3, ..., X^n\}$  where S contains n elements. We want say that  $cS = \{c_0 + c_1X + c_2X^2 + ...c_nX_n\} = 0$ . There are no two element have the same degree, then the only way is set  $c_0 = c_1 = c_2 = ... = c_n = 0$ . Therefore, S is linear independent.

20. Let  $f, g \in F(R, R)$  be the function defined by  $f(t) = e^{rt}$  and  $g(t) = e^{st}$  where  $r \neq s$ . Prove that f and g are linearly independent in F(R, R)

*Proof:* Base on the implementation of f and g, we know that f and g will never have the same degree unless t equal to zero. Then if we want compute f + g = 0 we must have that t = 0. Therefore, f and g are linearly independent in F(R,R)

## 1.6

- 1. Label the following statements as true or false.
- (a) The zero vector space has no basis.

False

(b) Every vector space that is generated by a finite set has a basis.

True

(c) Every vector space has a finite basis.

False

(d) A vector space cannot have more than one basis.

False

- (e) If a vector space has a finite basis, then the number of vectors in every basis is the same. True
- (f) The dimension of  $P_n(F)$  is n

False

(g) The dimension of  $M_{m \times n}(F)$  is m+n

False

2. Determine which of the following sets are bases for  $R^3$ 

a)  $c_1(1,0,-1) + c_2(2,5,1) + c_3(0,-4,3) = (0,0,0)$   $c_1 + 2c_2 = 0,5c_2 - 4c_3 = 0,-c_1 + c_2 + 3c_3 = 0,$ Then the only way to have all three statement equal is to have  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$ 

3. Determine which of the following sets are bases for  $P_2(R)$ 

a)  $c_1(-1, -1, 2) + c_2(2, 1, -2) + c_3(1, -2, 4) = 0$  and  $-c_1 + 2c_2 + c_3 = 0, -c_1 + c_2 - 2c_3 = 0, 2c_1 - 2c_2 + 4c_3 = 0$ , we can have that  $c_1 = 7, c_2 = -3, c_3 = 1$  Then it is not a basis of  $P_2(R)$ 

4. Do the polynomials  $x^3 - 2x^2 + 1$ ,  $4x^2 - x + 3$  and 3x - 2 generate  $P_3(R)$ ? Justify your answer

 $dim(P_3(R)) = 4$ , then the number of element in the basis need to be 4. Therefore, its not.

- 5. Is  $\{(1,4,-6),(1,5,8),(2,1,1),(0,1,0)\}$  a linear independent subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? Justify your answer  $\dim(\mathbb{R}^3) = 3$ , However the number of element in the subset is 4. Therefore, its not.
- 11. Let u and v be distinct vectors of a vector space V. Show that if  $\{u, v\}$  is a basis for V and a and b are nonzero scalars, then both  $\{u+v, au\}$  and  $\{au, bv\}$  are also bases for V.
  - 1)  $c_1(u+v) + c_2(au) = 0$  we can have that  $c_1u + c_1v + c_2au = (c_1 + ac_2)u + c_1v = 0$  Then we can say that  $c_1 + ac_2 = 0$ ,  $c_1 = 0$  or  $c_1 = c_2 = 0$  Therefore,  $\{u + v, au\}$  is linear independent
  - 2)  $c_1(au) + c_2(bv) = ac_1u + bc_2v = 0$  We can have that  $ac_1 = 0$  and  $bc_2 = 0$ . Therefore, linear independent for  $\{au, bv\}$  and if  $\{u, v\}$  is a basis for V and a and b are nonzero scalars, then both  $\{u + v, au\}$  and  $\{au, bv\}$  are also bases for V.
- 12. Let u, v, and w be distinct vectors of a vector space V. Show that if  $\{u, v, w\}$  is a basis for V, then  $\{u + v + w, v + w, w\}$  is also a basis for V

**Proof:** a(u+v+w)+b(v+w)+c(w)=au+(a+b)v+(a+b+c)w=0 and we can conclude that a=b=c=0 Therefore, if  $\{u,v,w\}$  is a basis for V, then  $\{u+v+w,v+w,w\}$  is also a basis for V.

- 15. The set of all  $n \times n$  matrices having trace equal to zero is a subspace W of  $M_{n \times n}(F)$  (see Example 4 of Section 1.3). Find a basis for W. What is the dimension of W? Proof: A basis for the set of all  $n \times n$  matrices with trace equal to zero is given by the matrices  $\{E_i j\}$ , where  $E_i j$  is a matrix with 1 in the (i, j)th position and 0 elsewhere, for  $i \neq j$ . This set has n(n-1) matrices, so it has dimension n(n-1), i.e. The dimension of W is n(n-1).
- 31. Let  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  be subspace of a vector space V having dimensions m and n, respectively, where  $m \ge n$
- a) Prove that  $dim(W_1 \cap W_2) \geq n$

**Proof:** To prove that the dimension of the intersection of two subspaces  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  is greater than or equal to n, we use the fact that the dimension of a subspace is equal to the number of linearly independent vectors in a basis for that subspace.

Since  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are subspaces of V, they each have a basis with m and n linearly independent vectors, respectively. When we take the intersection of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , we are left with a set of vectors that are in both  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ . This set also forms a basis for  $W_1 \cap W_2$ , and since it is a subset of the basis for  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , it must contain at least n linearly independent vectors. Therefore,  $dim(W1 \cap W2) \geq n$ .

b) Prove that  $dim(W_1 + W_2) \ge m + n$ 

**Proof:** Since  $dim(W_1) = m$  and  $dim(W_2) = n$ , there exist bases  $\{v_1, v_2, ..., v_m\}$  for  $W_1$  and  $\{u_1, u_2, ..., u_n\}$  for  $W_2$ . Then we can have  $dim(W_1 + W_2) = dim(W_1) + dim(W_2) - dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = m + n - dim(W_1 \cap W_2), dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = m + n - dim(W_1 \cap W_2), dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = m + n - dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$ 

 $W_2$ ) > 0 Therefore,  $dim(W_1 + W_2) \ge m + n$