

FYMM/MMP IIIa 2020 Solutions to Problem Set 5

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1. Show that

$$P_n \equiv \{a_0 + a_1z + a_2z^2 + \cdots + a_nz^n \mid a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{C}\}$$

is a vector space.

From the vector space axioms we can show that this is a vector space.

(a) Closure under addition

$$a_nZ^n + b_nZ^n = (a_n + b_n)Z^n$$

(b) Closure under multiplication

$$ca_nZ^n = (ca_n)Z^n$$

(c) Associativity

$$\begin{aligned}(a_nZ^n + b_nZ^n) + c_nZ^n &= (a_n + b_n + c_n)Z^n \\ &= a_nZ^n + cb_nZ^n + c_nZ^n\end{aligned}$$

(d) Identity element of addition

$$a_n = 0$$

for all n

$$a_nZ^n + 0 = a_nZ^n$$

(e) Inverse elements of addition

$$\begin{aligned}(a_n^{-1} = -a_n)a_nZ^n + (-a_n)Z^n \\ = (a_n - a_n)Z^n = 0\end{aligned}$$

(f) Commutativity of addition

$$\begin{aligned}a_nZ^n + b_nZ^n &= (a_n + b_n)Z^n \\ &= (b_n + a_n)Z^n = b_nZ^n + a_nZ^n\end{aligned}$$

(g) Distributivity of scalar multiplication with respect to vector addition

$$\begin{aligned}c(a_nZ^n + b_nZ^n) &= c(a_n + b_n)Z^n \\ &= (ca_n)Z^n + (cb_n)Z^n\end{aligned}$$

(h) Distributivity of scalar multiplication with respect to field addition.

$$(c + d)a_n Z^n = ca_n Z^n + Da_n Z^n$$

(i) Identity element of scalar multiplication

$$1 \cdot a_n Z^n = a_n Z^n$$

(j) Associativity of scalar multiplication

$$(cd)a_n Z^n = (cda_n)Z^n = c(da_n)Z^n$$

The dimension in the complex field is

$$\dim P_n = n(n + 1)$$

2. Find a faithful representation of \mathbb{Z}_6 in \mathbb{R}^2 , thinking of group elements generated by anticlockwise 60 degree rotations.

60 degree = $\frac{\pi}{3}$. Rotation denoted R_θ . Representation

$$D : \mathbb{Z}_6 \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{R}^2)$$

Where

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{Z}_6 &= \{e, a, a^2, a^3, a^4, a^5\} \\ a^n &\rightarrow R_{n\frac{\pi}{3}}\end{aligned}$$

Because we have a rotation matrix

$$D(a^n \cdot a^m) = D(a^{(n+m) \bmod 6})$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned}&R_{\frac{\pi}{3}[(n+m) \bmod 6]} \\ &= R_{n\frac{\pi}{3} + m\frac{\pi}{3} \bmod 2\pi} \\ &= R_{n\frac{\pi}{3}} R_{m\frac{\pi}{3}} = D(a^n)D(a^m)\end{aligned}$$

So that D is a homomorphism.

$$\begin{aligned}\ker D &= \{a^n \in \mathbb{Z}_6 \mid R_{n\frac{\pi}{3}} = \mathbb{1}\} \\ &= \{a^n \in \mathbb{Z}_6 \mid n = 0 \bmod 6\} \\ &= \{a^0\} = \{e\}\end{aligned}$$

So D is a faithful representation

3. Show that $SL(n, \mathbb{R})$ is a normal subgroup of $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$, and identify the quotient group $GL(n, \mathbb{R})/SL(n, \mathbb{R})$.

The first isomorphism theorem:

Theorem 1 *Let G and H be two groups and $\phi : G \rightarrow H$ be a group homomorphism. Then $\ker\phi$ is a normal subgroup of G and*

$$G/\ker\phi \cong \text{Im}\phi$$

So we have

$$\phi : GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \setminus \{\vec{0}\}$$

Is a determinant map such that $A \rightarrow \det(A)$. Determinants of $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ are non zero and determinants of \mathbb{R} are real so ϕ works as a map here. So we have

$$\phi(AB) = \det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B) = \phi(A)\phi(B)$$

So $\phi : GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \setminus \{\vec{0}\}$ is a homomorphism and

$$\ker\phi = \{A \in GL(n, \mathbb{R}) | \det(A) = 1\}$$

which is equivalent to the special linear transform group $SL(n, \mathbb{R})$. By the first isomorphism theorem then

$$GL(n, \mathbb{R})/\ker\phi = GL(n, \mathbb{R})/SL(n, \mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R} \setminus \{\vec{0}\}$$

4. Show that all group elements belonging to the same conjugacy class have the same order of element.

In a group G , two elements h and g are conjugate when

$$h = xgx^{-1}$$

where $x \in G$. To show that they have the same order we need to show that g and xgx^{-1} have the same order.

In a group where $(xgx^{-1})^n = xg^n x^{-1}$ for $n > 0$

$$(xgx^{-1})^n = xg^n x^{-1} \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

If $g^n = 1$ then $(xgx^{-1})^n = xg^n x^{-1} = xx^{-1} = e$, and if $(xgx^{-1})^n = 1$ then

$$xg^n x^{-1} = e$$

so

$$g^n = xx^{-1} = e$$

so

$$(xgx^{-1})^n = 1$$

If and only if $g^n = 1$ so g and xgx^{-1} have the same order.

5. Show that a linear map $L : V \rightarrow V$ is an automorphism if and only if $\text{Ker } L = \{0\}$.

Let $L \in \text{Aut}(V)$ and $x \in \text{ker} L$ such that $L(x) = 0$ and $L(x) = L(0)$. L is an automorphism meaning it is an injection and $x = 0$ and $\text{ker} L = \{0\}$.

Now suppose that $L : V \rightarrow V$ is an automorphism, which means proving that it is a bijection, thus proving surjectivity and injectivity:

For surjectivity suppose we have $\forall y \in Y \exists x \in X \text{ s.t. } f(x) = y$. Suppose we have a basis for V as $\{v_i\}$ then $L(v_i)$ is also a basis of V as

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i L(v_i) &= L\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i = 0 \end{aligned}$$

a_i is such that $a_i = 0$. If we have a $u \in V$ such that u_i is in the basis $\{v_i\}$ and $L(v_i)$ then

$$U = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i L(v_i) = L\left(\sum_{i=1}^n u_i v_i\right)$$

So that $u_i v_i \in V$

For injectivity suppose we have a function $f(x) \neq f(x') \forall x \neq x'$ and we have $x, y \in V \text{ s.t. } L(x) = L(y)$ and $L(x - y) = 0$ due to $x - y \in \text{ker} L$ and $\text{ker} L = \{0\}$ so $x - y = 0$ and $x = y$.

There is injection and surjection proved so there exists a bijection and $L : V \rightarrow V$ is a automorphism.