

20250 HWK 3

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Question 1

Proof. Let $v_1, \dots, v_n \in V$ be a sequence of vectors. Then,

$$\langle v_1, \dots, v_n \rangle = \{w : w = \sum a_i \cdot v_i\}$$

Hence, swapping the place of one vector with another does not affect the span since addition is commutative. In other words,

$$a_1v_1 + \dots + a_iv_i + \dots + a_jv_j + \dots + a_nv_n = a_1v_1 + \dots + a_jv_j + \dots + a_iv_i + \dots + a_nv_n$$

Now to examine scaling. Consider the scaled series of vectors $v_1, \dots, bv_i, \dots, v_n \in V$ where $b \in k$. Then, we can construct every vector w by scaling down the i th coefficient by the multiplicative inverse of b . Hence,

$$a_1v_1 + \dots + a_iv_i + \dots + a_nv_n = a_1v_1 + \dots + a_ib^{-1}(bv_i) + \dots + a_jv_j + \dots + a_nv_n$$

Thus scaling does not impact the span of the vectors.

Finally, to examine adding one vector to another, consider the set $v_1, \dots, v_i + v_j, \dots, v_j, \dots, v_n \in V$. Then, if we use the same coefficients a_1, \dots, a_n as the original set but replace a_j with $a_j - a_i$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum a_iv_i &= a_1v_1 + \dots + a_i(v_i + v_j) + \dots + (a_j - a_i)v_j + \dots + a_nv_n \\ &= a_1v_1 + \dots + a_iv_i + a_iv_j + \dots + a_jv_j - a_iv_j + \dots + a_nv_n \\ &= a_1v_1 + \dots + a_iv_i + \dots + a_jv_j + \dots + a_nv_n \end{aligned}$$

Hence, this set spans the same vectors since the sum of vectors are identical when using the same coefficients. \square

Question 2

Proof. The vectors given by the question can be combined to form the following matrix,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Reducing these vectors until we have them in echelon form will result in a basis for the span of these vectors. Doing so yields,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which is a basis for the subspace spanned by the given vectors as by question 1 doing these operations do not change the span and by reducing to echelon form ensures that the vectors are linearly independent. \square

Question 3

Proof. Let V and W be finite dimensional vector spaces. It was shown in class that $\text{Maps}(k^n, k^m)$ is isomorphic to the set of matrices with dimensions $m \times n$. Assume that $\dim V = n$ and $\dim W = m$. Hence, if we can find the dimension of the set of $m \times n$ matrices we can find the dimensionality of $\text{Maps}(V, W)$. Hence, we need a set of $m \times n$ matrices that can be combined to create any other $m \times n$ matrix. Consider the set of matrices where there is a empty $m \times n$ matrix with 1 in one element for each element of an $m \times n$ matrix. Clearly this set spans the set of all matrices and is also linearly independent. Thus this set is a basis for the set of maps. Because there is a matrix for each element, there are $m \times n$ matrices and thus $\dim \text{Maps}(k^n, k^m) = m \times n = \dim V \cdot \dim W$. \square

Question 4

Proof. Consider the basis $f_1 = e_1$, $f_2 = e_1 + e_2$. We want to find f_1^\vee and f_2^\vee such that

$$\begin{aligned} f_1^\vee(f_1) &= 1 \\ f_2^\vee(f_2) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Define,

$$\begin{aligned} f_1^\vee &= a - b = e_1^\vee - e_2^\vee \\ f_2^\vee &= b = e_2^\vee \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} f_1^\vee(f_1) &= e_1^\vee(e_1) - e_2^\vee(0) = 1 \\ f_1^\vee(f_2) &= e_1^\vee(e_1) - e_2^\vee(e_2) = 1 - 1 = 0 \\ f_2^\vee(f_1) &= e_2^\vee(0) = 0 \\ f_2^\vee(f_2) &= e_2^\vee(e_2) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, f_1^\vee and f_2^\vee work as a dual basis. \square

Question 5

Proof. Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d \in k$ be distinct. To show that the deltas are linearly independent we must show that,

$$a_1\delta_1(\alpha_1) + \dots + a_i\delta_i(\alpha_i) + \dots + a_d\delta_d(\alpha_i) = 0$$

However, by the properties of these polynomials, for every i , this equation takes the form:

$$0 + \dots + a_i + \dots + 0 = 0$$

Hence, for each i , $a_i = 0$ which means that every coefficient is 0. This means that only the trivial solution remains and hence the vectors are linearly independent. Also, $\delta_1, \dots, \delta_d$ span $k[X]_{<d}$ as they are d independent vectors and hence their dimension is equal to that of the space. Thus they must span it. To show that $ev_{\alpha_1}, \dots, ev_{\alpha_d}$ is a dual basis for $\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n$, we must show that,

$$ev_{\alpha_j}(\delta_i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

By the construction of δ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_i(\alpha_i) &= 1 \\ \delta_i(\alpha_j) &= 0 \text{ for } j \neq i \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $ev_{\alpha_1}, \dots, ev_{\alpha_d}$ is a dual basis for $\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n$. \square

Question 6

(i)

Proof. Because $Fun_c(X, k) \subset Fun(X, k)$, there exists an isomorphism between $Fun(X, k)$ and $Fun_c(X, k)$. Similarly, there exists an isomorphism between $Fun_c(X, k)$ and $Fun_c(X, k)^\vee$. Hence, define,

$$\lambda_X : Fun(X, k) \rightarrow Fun_c(X, k) \rightarrow Fun_c(X, k)^\vee$$

Since, λ_X is a composition of two isomorphic functions, λ_X is an isomorphism. \square

(ii)

Proof. Let $\phi : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function to another set. Consider,

$$\phi^* : Fun(Y, k) \rightarrow Fun(X, k) \quad f \mapsto f \circ \phi$$

Construct a linear map $\phi_* : Fun_c(X, k) \rightarrow Fun_c(Y, k)$ with $\phi^* = (\lambda_X)^{-1} \circ (\phi_*)^\vee \circ \lambda_Y$. Thus, breaking down the composition,

$$(\phi_*)^\vee \circ \lambda_Y = (\phi_*)^\vee (Fun_c(Y, k)^\vee) \quad (1)$$

And we need that,

$$(\lambda_X)^{-1} \circ (\phi_*)^\vee (Fun_c(Y, k)^\vee) = Fun(X, k)$$

Hence, $(\phi_*)^\vee$ should take $(Fun_c(Y, k)^\vee) \rightarrow (Fun_c(X, k)^\vee)$. Define ϕ_* with the following function,

$$\phi_* : Fun_c(X, k) \rightarrow Fun(X, k) \xrightarrow{\phi} Fun(Y, k) \xrightarrow{\lambda_Y} Fun_c(Y, k)^\vee \rightarrow Fun_c(Y, k)$$

Then, $(\phi_*)^\vee$ takes $(Fun_c(Y, k)^\vee) \rightarrow (Fun_c(X, k)^\vee)$. Consequently, the equality is satisfied. \square

Question 7

Proof. To prove that ι_{V^\vee} is injective, we want to show that $\ker(\iota_{V^\vee}) = 0$. In other words,

$$\begin{aligned} \iota_{V^\vee}(\xi) &= 0 \\ [\iota_V(\xi)](\iota_V(v)) &= 0 \\ \xi(v) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\xi = 0$ and hence $\ker(\iota_{V^\vee}) = 0$. Thus, $(\iota_{V^\vee}) : V^\vee \rightarrow ((V^\vee)^\vee)^\vee$ is injective. \square

Question 8

Proof. To show that $\dim(\text{im}(\phi)) = \dim(\text{im}(\phi^\vee))$. I will show that $\text{im}(\phi)^\vee$ is isomorphic $\text{im}(\phi^\vee)$. Define,

$$\phi^\vee : W^\vee \rightarrow \text{im}(\phi)^\vee \rightarrow V^\vee$$

Because the the second part of the map is injective, $\text{im}(\phi^\vee)$ is isomorphic to a subspace in V^\vee . Also, $\text{im}(\phi)^\vee$ is isomorphic to this same subspace since it is included into V^\vee as well. Because V and V^\vee are both finitely dimensional, they have the same dimension. Hence,

$$\dim(\text{im}(\phi)) = \dim(\text{im}(\phi)^\vee) = \dim(\text{im}(\phi^\vee))$$

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