

Assignment 12

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Abstract—This is a simple document explaining how to get the basis of a vector space when vectors from another vector space are given and the vector spaces are in isomorphic relationship.

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svn co <https://github.com/gadepall/school/trunk/ncert/geometry/figs>

1 PROBLEM

Let V be a vector space over the field of complex numbers and suppose there is an isomorphism T of V onto C^3 . Let $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$ and α_4 be the vectors in V such that:

$$T\alpha_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ i \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.1)$$

$$T\alpha_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1+i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.2)$$

$$T\alpha_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.3)$$

$$T\alpha_4 = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} \\ i \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.4)$$

Find a basis for the subspace of V spanned by the 4 vectors α_i .

2 EXPLANATION

V is a vector space and V is isomorphic to C^3 via isomorphism T which implies that C^3 is also isomorphic to V via isomorphism T^{-1} .

As V is isomorphic to C^3 , so

$$\dim(V) = \dim(C^3) = 3 \quad (2.0.1)$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & i \\ -2 & 1+i & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ \sqrt{2} & i & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xleftrightarrow[R_4 \leftarrow \sqrt{2}R_4]{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & i \\ -2 & 1+i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1+i \\ 2 & i\sqrt{2} & 3\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \\ & \xleftrightarrow{R_4 \leftarrow R_4 + R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & i \\ -2 & 1+i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1+i \\ 0 & 1+i(1+\sqrt{2}) & 3\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \\ & \xleftrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + 2R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 1+i & 2i \\ 0 & 1 & 1+i \\ 0 & 1+i(1+\sqrt{2}) & 3\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \\ & \xleftrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow (1+i)R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 1+i & 2i \\ 0 & 1+i & 2i \\ 0 & 1+i(1+\sqrt{2}) & 3\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \\ & \xleftrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 1+i & 2i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1+i(1+\sqrt{2}) & 3\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.2) \end{aligned}$$

From here we can get that $T\alpha_3$ is dependent vector while $T\alpha_1, T\alpha_2$ and $T\alpha_4$ are independent vector. These $T\alpha_1, T\alpha_2$ and $T\alpha_4$ also span the vector space C^3 , so these 3 vectors are the basis of C^3 .

As $\dim(V) = 3$, so it must have 3 basis and as V and C^3 are isomorphic so α_1, α_2 and α_4 are the basis of V .