

# Linear Algebra III

## Problem sessions

### Lecture 5: Problem session 1

1. Prove that if  $a \in F$ ,  $v \in V$ , and  $av = 0$ , then  $a = 0$  or  $v = 0$ .
2. Give an example of a nonempty subset  $U$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $U$  is closed under addition and under taking additive inverses, but  $U$  is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
3. Give an example of a nonempty subset  $U$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $U$  is closed under scalar multiplication, but  $U$  is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
4. Prove that the subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are precisely  $\{0\}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and all lines in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  through the origin. Prove that the subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are precisely  $\{0\}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , all lines in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  through the origin, and all the planes in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  through the origin.
5. Prove that if  $\dim(V) < \infty$  and  $U \subset V$  is a subspace, then  $\dim(U) < \infty$ .
6. Prove that the union of two subspaces of  $V$  is a subspace of  $V$  if and only if one of the subspaces is contained in the other.
7. Prove or give a counterexample: if  $U_1, U_2, W$  are subspaces of  $V$  such that  $U_1 + W = U_2 + W$ , then  $U_1 = U_2$ .
8. Let  $U$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$  defined by

$$U = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) \in \mathbb{R}^5 \mid x_1 = 3x_2, x_3 = 7x_4\}.$$

Find a basis of  $U$ .

9. Show that if  $\varphi : V \rightarrow W$  is an isomorphism, then it takes a basis of  $V$  to a basis of  $W$ .
10. Suppose  $U$  and  $W$  are subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^8$  such that  $\dim(U) = 3$ ,  $\dim(W) = 5$ , and  $U + W = \mathbb{R}^8$ . Prove that  $U \cap W = \{0\}$ .
11. Let  $U = \{(x, x, y, y) \in F^4 \mid x, y \in F\}$ . Find a subspace  $W$  of  $F^4$  such that  $F^4 = U \oplus W$ .
12. For subspaces  $U_1, U_2, U_3$  of a finite-dimensional vector space, prove or give counterexample to the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(U_1 + U_2 + U_3) &= \dim(U_1) + \dim(U_2) + \dim(U_3) - \\ &\quad - \dim(U_1 \cap U_2) - \dim(U_1 \cap U_3) - \dim(U_2 \cap U_3) + \dim(U_1 \cap U_2 \cap U_3). \end{aligned}$$

13. What is the dimension of  $\mathbb{R}$  as a vector space over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ?
14. Prove that if  $T$  is a linear map from  $F^4$  to  $F^2$  such that  $\text{null } T = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \in F^4 \mid x_1 = 5x_2, x_3 = 7x_4\}$ , then  $T$  is surjective.
15. Suppose that  $V$  and  $W$  are finite-dimensional vector spaces, that  $B$  is an ordered basis of  $V$  and  $B'$  is an ordered basis of  $W$ . Prove that if  $T$  is an invertible linear map from  $V$  to  $W$ , then the rows of  $\mathcal{M}(T, B, B')$  are linearly independent. Show that the same is true about the columns of  $\mathcal{M}(T, B, B')$ .

16. Suppose that  $V$  and  $W$  are finite-dimensional vector spaces. Let  $B_1, B'_1$  be ordered bases of  $V$  and  $B_2, B'_2$  be ordered bases of  $W$ . Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear map. What is the relation between the matrices  $\mathcal{M}(T, B_1, B_2)$  and  $\mathcal{M}(T, B'_1, B'_2)$ ?

17. (a) Define the vector space of formal power series in  $F$  as

$$\mathcal{PS}(F) = \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^k \mid a_k \in F \right\},$$

where we do not make any requirements on the convergence of these series. Write an isomorphism from  $\mathcal{PS}(F)$  to  $F^\infty$ .

- (b) The space of all polynomials

$$\mathcal{P}(F) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{P}_n(F)$$

is a vector subspace of  $\mathcal{PS}(F)$ . Find the images of  $\mathcal{P}_n(F)$  and of  $\mathcal{P}(F)$  under the isomorphism in the previous part.

- (c) Prove that  $\mathcal{P}(F)$  and  $\mathcal{PS}(F)$  are infinite dimensional.

18. Let  $U = \{f \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}) \mid f(3) = 0\}$ . Then prove that  $U$  is a subspace of  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  and find  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})/U$ .

19. Prove that  $F^n \otimes_F F^m \cong F^{nm}$ .

20. Write  $(4, 3) \otimes (1, 2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{R}^2$  as a linear combination of  $e_1 \otimes e_1, e_1 \otimes e_2, e_2 \otimes e_1, e_2 \otimes e_2$ , where  $\{e_1, e_2\}$  is the standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

21. Let  $F \subset G$  be an inclusion of fields, let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F$  and let  $W$  be a vector space over  $G$ . Observe that  $W$  is also a vector space over  $F$  (thinking of  $W$  as a vector space over  $F$  is called *restriction of scalars*).

- (a) Show that

$$G \otimes_F V$$

is a vector space over  $G$ .

*Note:* This process is called *extension of scalars*. The special case of  $F = \mathbb{R}$  and  $G = \mathbb{C}$  is called *complexification*.

- (b) How is the dimension of  $V$  as an  $F$ -vector space (denoted  $\dim_F(V)$ ) related to the dimension of  $G \otimes_F V$  as a  $G$ -vector space ( $\dim_G(G \otimes_F V)$ )?
- (c) How is the dimension of  $W$  as an  $F$ -vector space ( $\dim_F W$ ) related to the dimension of  $W$  as a  $G$ -vector space ( $\dim_G W$ )?

22. From Axler's *Linear algebra done right*, 3rd edition: Section 1.C: 1, 2, 3, 22; 2.A: 15, 17; 2.B: 4; 2.C: 6; 3.A: 2; 3.B: 4, 6, 15; 3.E: 1, 3, 4, 13, 14.

## Lecture 10: Problem session 2

1. Show that the space of power series  $\mathcal{PS}(F)$  is isomorphic to the dual to the space of polynomials,  $\mathcal{P}(F)'$ .

Hint: Use a basis for  $\mathcal{P}(F)$ .

Remark: Notions from set theory that we will not go into in this course allow one to show that if  $V$  is an infinite dimensional vector space, then  $V$  is not isomorphic to  $V'$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{P}(F)$  is not isomorphic to  $\mathcal{PS}(F)$ .

2. Let  $F = \mathbb{Z}/2$  (the field with 2 elements) and consider the vector space  $V = (\mathbb{Z}/2)^2$ .
- (a) Show that the quadratic form  $q_1 : V \rightarrow F$  given by  $q_1(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$  satisfies  $q_1(v) = B(v, v)$  for every  $v \in V$ , for some symmetric bilinear form  $B : V \times V \rightarrow F$ .
  - (b) Consider now the quadratic form  $q_2 : V \rightarrow F$  given by  $q_2(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_2^2$ . Show that there is no symmetric bilinear form  $B : V \times V \rightarrow F$  such that  $q_2(v) = B(v, v)$ .
3. Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F$  and let  $U \subset V$  be a subspace. Define the annihilator of  $U$  to be

$$U^0 = \{\varphi \in V' \mid \varphi(u) = 0 \text{ for every } u \in U\}.$$

- (a) Show that  $U^0$  is a subspace of  $V'$ .
  - (b) Assuming that if  $\dim V < \infty$ , write an isomorphism  $V/U \rightarrow U^0$ . This implies that  $U \oplus U^0 \cong V$ .  
Note: In exercise 37 of Axler 3.F, you are asked to prove that there is a canonical isomorphism  $U^0 \cong (V/U)'$ , with no finite dimensionality assumption. Observe that this implies part (b).
4. Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space with a bilinear form  $B : V \times V \rightarrow F$  and let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be an ordered bases of  $V$ . Recall that the associated matrix of  $B$  is  $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j=1}^n$ , with  $a_{ij} = B(v_i, v_j)$ . Given a vector  $v \in V$ , denote by  $[v]$  the column vector in  $F^n$  associated to  $v$  in this basis (the entries of  $[v]$  are the coefficients of the expression of  $v$  in the chosen basis).
- (a) Show that  $B(v, w) = [v]^t A [w]$  (where the subscript  $t$  denotes transposition).
  - (b) Let  $v'_1, \dots, v'_n$  be another basis of  $V$ , with respect to which the matrix associated to  $B$  is  $A'$ . Explain how  $A$  and  $A'$  are related.
5. Equip  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with the standard inner product. Find orthonormal bases of the subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  spanned by the following vectors:
- (a)  $(1, 1, -1)$  and  $(1, 0, 1)$ .
  - (b)  $(2, 1, 1)$  and  $(1, 3, -1)$ .
6. Let  $P$  be the point  $(2, 1, 3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .
- (a) Find the point  $Q$  on the plane  $-x + 2y - 2z = 0$  that is the closest to  $P$ .
  - (b) Find the point  $R$  on the plane  $-x + 2y - 2z = 5$  that is the closest to  $P$ .
  - (c) Show that  $P, Q$  and  $R$  are colinear (meaning: there is a line in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  that contains the three points).
7. On  $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ , consider the inner product given by

$$\langle p, q \rangle = \int_0^1 p(x)q(x)dx.$$

- (a) Apply the Gram–Schmidt procedure to the basis  $1, x, x^2$  to produce an orthonormal basis of  $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ .
  - (b) Find the matrix of  $T : \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ , defined by the differentiation operator i.e.  $T(p) = p'$ , with respect to the basis  $1, x, x^2$ .
  - (c) Find an orthonormal basis of  $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ , such that the matrix of  $T$  with respect to this basis is upper-triangular.
8. Let  $V = C([-1, 1], \mathbb{R})$  be the real vector space of continuous functions  $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , with  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(x)g(x)dx$ . Show that all functions of the form  $\sin(k\pi x)$  and  $\cos(l\pi x)$ , where  $k, l > 0$  are integers, are pairwise orthonormal.

9. Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$  equal to  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ . A map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$  is a *semi-inner product* if  $\langle a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2, w \rangle = a_1 \langle v_1, w \rangle + a_2 \langle v_2, w \rangle$ ,  $\langle v, w \rangle = \overline{\langle w, v \rangle}$  and  $\langle v, v \rangle \geq 0$  (it may not be an inner product only because we do not require it to be positive definite). Prove the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality:  $|\langle v, w \rangle| \leq \|v\| \cdot \|w\|$ .
- Hint: Write  $\langle v, w \rangle = e^{i\theta} |\langle v, w \rangle|$ , for some  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  (if  $F = \mathbb{R}$ , take  $\theta = 0$ ). Think about the quadratic function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by  $f(t) = \|v + te^{i\theta} w\|^2 \geq 0$ .
10. Let  $V = C([-1, 1], \mathbb{R})$  and let  $U \subset V$  be the subspace consisting of functions such that  $f(0) = 0$ . Clearly,  $U \neq V$ . Show that  $U^\perp = 0$ .
- Note: This example shows that the formula  $U \oplus U^\perp = V$ , which holds when  $\dim(U) < \infty$ , may fail if  $\dim(U) = \infty$ .
11. Let  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a finite dimensional inner product space, defined over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that the following map is an isomorphism:  $f : V \rightarrow V'$  given by  $f(v) = f_v \in V'$ , such that  $f_v(w) = \langle v, w \rangle$  for all  $w \in V$ . Think about the analogue for inner product spaces over  $\mathbb{C}$ .
12. Let  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a finite dimensional inner product space, defined over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $U \subset V$  be a subspace. Recall the definition of the annihilator  $U^0 \subset V'$  in Exercise 3. Write an explicit isomorphism  $U^\perp \rightarrow U^0$ . Think about the analogue for inner product spaces over  $\mathbb{C}$ .
13. Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F$  and let  $f : V \times \dots \times V \rightarrow F$ , be a  $k$ -multilinear form on  $V$ . Recall that  $f$  is alternating if we always have  $f(\dots, v, \dots, v, \dots) = 0$ . Show that  $f$  is alternating iff  $f(v_1, \dots, v_k) = 0$  whenever the vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  are linearly dependent.
14. The following is a matrix in  $\text{Mat}(3 \times 3, \mathbb{Z}/7)$ , defined over the field with 7 elements:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Compute  $\det(A) \in \mathbb{Z}/7$ . If  $A$  is invertible, then find its inverse.

15. Let  $F = \mathbb{Z}/2$  and  $V = F^2$ . Construct a bilinear form  $B : V \times V \rightarrow F$  such that for every  $v, w \in V$

$$B(v, w) = B(w, v)$$

and for every  $v \in V$  we have  $B(v, v) \neq 0$ .

Note: since  $\text{char}(\mathbb{Z}/2) = 2$ , we have  $x = -x$  for every  $x \in \mathbb{Z}/2$ . Therefore, we can write the first formula above as  $B(v, w) = -B(w, v)$ . We saw that that would imply that  $B$  is alternating if we had  $\text{char}(F) \neq 2$ . This exercise shows that that the same implication does not hold if  $\text{char}(F) = 2$ .

16. A *group* is a set  $G$  with a map  $m : G \times G \rightarrow G$  (called *multiplication*, and sometimes denoted  $m(x, y) = xy$ ) and an element  $e \in G$  (called *identity*) such that:

- $(xy)z = x(yz)$  for all  $x, y, z \in G$  (multiplication is associative);
- $ex = x = xe$  for all  $x \in G$  ( $e$  is the identity);
- for every  $x \in G$  there is  $y \in G$  such that  $xy = e = yx$ . Write  $x^{-1} = y$  (existence of inverses).

Recall that, given a positive integer  $n$ ,  $\text{Mat}(n \times n, F)$  is the space of  $n \times n$ -matrices over a field  $F$ .

- (a) Show that  $\text{Mat}(n \times n, F)$  is not a group.
- (b) Let  $GL(n, F) = \{A \in \text{Mat}(n \times n, F) \mid A \text{ is invertible}\}$ . Show that  $GL(n, F)$  is a group (it is called the *general linear group*).
- (c) Let  $SL(n, F) = \{A \in \text{Mat}(n \times n, F) \mid \det(A) = 1\}$ . Show that  $SL(n, F)$  is a group (it is called the *special linear group*).

- (d) Let  $F$  be  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$  and denote by  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_F$  the standard inner product on  $F^n$ . Say that  $A \in \text{Mat}(n \times n, F)$  preserves the inner product if  $\langle Av, Aw \rangle_F = \langle v, w \rangle_F$  for all vectors  $v, w \in F^n$ . For  $F = \mathbb{R}$ , let  $O(n, \mathbb{R}) = \{A \in \text{Mat}(n \times n, \mathbb{R}) \mid A \text{ preserves } \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mathbb{R}}\}$ . Show that  $O(n, \mathbb{R})$  is a group (called the *orthogonal group*). Find an example of  $A \in O(2, \mathbb{R})$  that is not the identity matrix.
- (e) Let now  $F = \mathbb{C}$ . Show that  $U(n, \mathbb{C}) = \{A \in \text{Mat}(n \times n, \mathbb{C}) \mid A \text{ preserves } \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mathbb{C}}\}$  is a group (called the *unitary group*). Find an example of  $A \in U(2, \mathbb{C})$  that is not the identity matrix.
17. Using the terminology from the previous question, show that if  $A \in O(n, \mathbb{R})$  then  $\det(A) = \pm 1$ . Show that if  $A \in U(n, \mathbb{C})$  then  $|\det(A)| = 1$ .
- Hint: Write  $\langle v, w \rangle = v^t \bar{w}$ . On the right,  $v^t$  is thought of as a row vector (the transpose of the column vector  $v$ ) and  $\bar{w}$  is thought of as a column vector (the complex conjugate of the column vector  $w$ ).
18. Let  $\sigma : \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  be the permutation such that
- $$\sigma(1) = 3, \sigma(2) = 1, \sigma(3) = 4, \sigma(4) = 2.$$
- Write  $\sigma$  as a product of transpositions and compute  $(-1)^\sigma$ .
19. From Axler's *Linear algebra done right*, 3rd edition: Section 3.F: 1, 2, 7, 30, 31; 6.A: 8, 10, 31; 6.B: 2, 4, 5, 9, 17; 6.C: 2, 3, 4, 5, 11, 12, 14.

## Lecture 15: Problem session 3

- Define  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^3)$  by  $T(z_1, z_2, z_3) = (2z_2, 0, 5z_3)$ . Find all the eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenspaces of  $T$ .
- What are the possible Jordan forms of  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  with characteristic polynomial  $(z+2)^2(z-5)^3$ ?
  - What are the possible Jordan forms of  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  with  $(z+2)^2(z-5)^3$  as characteristic polynomial and such that the eigenspace corresponding to  $-2$  is 1-dimensional and the eigenspace corresponding to  $5$  is 2-dimensional?
- For each of the following matrices, determine the Jordan form, and find a Jordan basis:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Find the characteristic polynomial and the minimal polynomial of the following matrices:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ ,  $v \in V$  and  $m > 0$  integer such that  $T^{m-1}(v) \neq 0$  but  $T^m(v) = 0$ . Prove that the vectors  $v, T(v), T^2(v), \dots, T^{m-1}(v)$  are linearly independent.
- Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  and let  $U, W \subset V$  be subspaces invariant under  $T$  (meaning:  $\text{im}(T|_U) \subset U$  and  $\text{im}(T|_W) \subset W$ ). Assume that  $V = U \oplus W$ . Suppose the matrix of  $T|_U : U \rightarrow U$  is  $A$  with respect to the ordered basis  $u_1, \dots, u_p$  and the matrix of  $T|_W : W \rightarrow W$  is  $B$  with respect to the ordered basis  $w_1, \dots, w_q$ . Show that the matrix of  $T$  with respect to the ordered basis  $u_1, \dots, u_p, w_1, \dots, w_q$  is the block diagonal matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}$ .

7. Recall that if one picks an ordered basis  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  for a vector space  $V$  over  $F$ , there are induced isomorphisms  $V \xrightarrow{\cong} F^n$  and  $f : \mathcal{L}(V) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Mat}(n \times n, F)$ . Given  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ , define its trace as

$$\text{tr}(T) = \text{tr}(f(T))$$

where the trace of a square matrix is the sum of the elements in the principal diagonal. Show that this is well-defined, in the sense that different choices of ordered bases for  $V$  yield the same definition of  $\text{tr}(T)$ .

8. Let  $P_A(x) = \det(xI - A) = a_0 + \dots + a_n x^n$  be the characteristic polynomial of  $A \in \text{Mat}(n \times n, F)$ . Show that  $a_0 = (-1)^n \det(A)$  and  $a_{n-1} = -\text{tr}(A)$ .
9. Let  $T \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$  be given by

$$T(p(x)) = p(0) + p'(1)x + p''(2)x^2.$$

Compute  $\det(T)$  and  $\text{tr}(T)$  ( $\det(T)$  was defined in the lectures and  $\text{tr}(T)$  is defined in the previous exercise).

10. Let  $V$  be a complex vector space of dimension  $n$  and let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ . Recall that if  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$ , then its generalized eigenspace is

$$G(\lambda, T) = \{v \in V \mid (T - \lambda I)^k(v) = 0 \text{ for some } k > 0\}.$$

(a) Show that  $G(\lambda, T) = \text{null}((T - \lambda I)^n)$ .

(b) Show that  $G(\lambda, T) \cap \text{im}((T - \lambda I)^n) = \{0\}$  and conclude that  $G(\lambda, T) \oplus \text{im}((T - \lambda I)^n) = V$ .

11. Give an example of a matrix  $A \in \text{Mat}(n \times n, \mathbb{C})$  that cannot be diagonalized.
12. Find an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{C}^2$  consisting of eigenvectors of the operator on  $\mathbb{C}^2$  whose matrix with respect to the standard basis is  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1+i \\ 1-i & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .
13. Let  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a finite dimensional inner product space over  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ , and let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ . Show that  $T^{**} = T$ .
14. Let  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a finite dimensional inner product space over  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ . Show that  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  is normal iff  $\|T^*v\| = \|Tv\|$  for every  $v \in V$ .

Hint: You may find useful the fact that

$$\langle v, w \rangle = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} (\|v+w\|^2 - \|v-w\|^2 + \|v+iw\|^2 - \|v-iw\|^2) & \text{if } F = \mathbb{C} \\ \frac{1}{4} (\|v+w\|^2 - \|v-w\|^2) & \text{if } F = \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

15. (a) Find  $A \in \text{Mat}(2 \times 2, \mathbb{R})$  which is not diagonalizable as a real matrix, but which is diagonalizable as a complex matrix (diagonalizable when thought of as an element of  $A \in \text{Mat}(2 \times 2, \mathbb{C})$ ).
- (b) Find a finite dimensional real inner product space  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  with a normal operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  that is not self-adjoint.
16. Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  and  $v'_1, \dots, v'_n$  be two orthonormal bases of an inner product space  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ , and let  $C$  be the corresponding change of basis matrix. Show that  $C^{-1} = C^t$ .
17. Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional complex vector space, and let  $R, S \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  be diagonalizable operators. This means that there is a basis of  $V$  in which  $R$  is given by a diagonal matrix, and there is a basis of  $V$  in which  $S$  is given by a diagonal matrix. Say that  $R$  and  $S$  are *simultaneously diagonalizable* if there is a basis of  $V$  that diagonalizes  $R$  and  $S$ .

Show that if  $R$  and  $S$  are simultaneously diagonalizable, then  $RS = SR$  (the two operators commute).

You don't need to show it, but the converse is also true: if  $RS = SR$ , then  $R$  and  $S$  are simultaneously diagonalizable.

18. Let  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a finite dimensional inner product space over  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ , and let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  be a self-adjoint operator. Show that  $T$  is positive iff all the eigenvalues of  $T$  are non-negative.
19. Let  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a finite dimensional inner product space over  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ , and let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ .
- (a) Relate the eigenvalues of  $T^*T$  with the eigenvalues of  $T$ .
  - (b) Relate the eigenvalues of  $\sqrt{T^*T}$  (also called the singular values of  $T$ ) with the eigenvalues of  $T$ .
20. From Axler's *Linear algebra done right*, 3rd edition: Section 5.A: 1, 10, 12, 15, 18, 21, 32, 35; 5.B: 1; 5.C: 3, 15, 16; 7.A: 8, 9, 10, 15, 17, 21; 7.B: 2, 3, 6, 9, 11; 7.C: 5, 6, 13; 7.D: 7; 8.A: 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19; 8.B: 3, 6, 7, 10; 8.C: 1, 4, 6, 8, 20; 8.D: 1, 2, 4, 7.