

Homework 1
Linear Algebra
Math 524
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Section 1.A Problem 5: Show that $(\alpha + \beta) + \lambda = \alpha + (\beta + \lambda)$, $\forall \alpha, \beta, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.

Solution 1.A Problem 5: Let $\alpha = a + bi$, $\beta = c + di$, $\lambda = e + fi$

$$(\alpha + \beta) + \lambda = (a + bi + c + di) + e + fi \quad (1)$$

$$= a + bi + c + di + e + fi \quad (2)$$

$$= a + bi + (c + di + e + fi) \quad (3)$$

$$= \alpha + (\beta + \lambda) \quad (4)$$

Section 1.A Problem 6: Show that $(\alpha\beta)\lambda = \alpha(\beta\lambda)$, $\forall \alpha, \beta, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.

Solution 1.A Problem 6: Let $\alpha = a + bi$, $\beta = c + di$, $\lambda = e + fi$

$$(\alpha\beta)\lambda = ((a + bi)(c + di))(e + fi) \quad (5)$$

$$= ((ac - bd) + i(ad + bc))(e + fi) \quad (6)$$

$$= (ac - bd)e + (ad + bc)ei + (ac - bd)fi - (ad + bc)f \quad (7)$$

$$= ace - bde + adei + bcei + acfi - bdfi - adf - bcf \quad (8)$$

$$(\alpha\beta)\lambda = (a + bi)((c + di)(e + fi)) \quad (9)$$

$$= (a + bi)((ce - df) + i(cf + ed)) \quad (10)$$

$$= (ce - df)a + (cf + ed)ai + (ce - df)bi - (cf + ed)b \quad (11)$$

$$= ace - adf + acfi + aedi + bcei - bdfi - bcf - bde \quad (12)$$

So $(\alpha\beta)\lambda = \alpha(\beta\lambda)$

Section 1.B Problem 1: Prove that $-(-v) = v$, $\forall v \in V$

Solution 1.B Problem 1:

$$-(-v) + (-v) = 0 \quad (13)$$

$$-(-v) + (-v) + v = v \quad (14)$$

$$-(-v) + 0 = v \quad (15)$$

$$-(-v) = v \quad (16)$$

Section 1.B Problem 3: Suppose $v, w \in V$. Explain why $\exists!x \in V$ such that $v + 3x = w$

Solution 1.B Problem 3: Let $v, w \in V$. Suppose $\exists x_1, x_2 \in V$ such that $v + 3x_1 = w$ and $v + 3x_2 = w$

$$w = v + 3x_1 = v + 3x_2 \quad (17)$$

$$v + 3x_1 = v + 3x_2 \quad (18)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_2 \quad (19)$$

Because $v + 3x = w$ resembles a linear equation in terms of x , there is only a single input per each output, w .

Section 1.C Problem 10: Suppose U_1 and U_2 are subspaces of V . Prove that the intersection $U_1 \cap U_2$ is a subspace of V .

Solution 1.C Problem 10: Let $u_1, u_2 \in U_1 \cap U_2$

$$\text{Additive Identity: } 0 \in U_1 \text{ and } 0 \in U_2, \text{ so } 0 \in U_1 \cap U_2 \quad (20)$$

$$\text{Closed under Addition: } u_1 + u_2 \in U_1 \text{ and } u_1 + u_2 \in U_2, \text{ so } u_1 + u_2 \in U_1 \cap U_2 \quad (21)$$

$$\text{Closed under Scalar Multi: } cu_1 \in U_1 \text{ and } cu_1 \in U_2, \text{ so } cu_1 \in U_1 \cap U_2 \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{C} \quad (22)$$

Thus $U_1 \cap U_2$ is a subspace of V as it follows the given conditions

Section 1.C Problem 20: Suppose $U = \{(x, x, y, y) \in \mathbb{F}^4 : x, y \in \mathbb{F}\}$. Find a subspace W of \mathbb{F}^4 such that $\mathbb{F}^4 = U \oplus W$.

Solution 1.C Problem 20:

$$\text{Let } (w, x, y, z) \in \mathbb{F}^4 \quad (23)$$

$$\text{Let } (x - w, 0, 0, y - z) \in W \quad (24)$$

$$\text{So } U \oplus W = (x, x, y, y) \in \mathbb{F}^4 \quad (25)$$

$$\text{Let } UW = (uw_1, uw_2, uw_3, uw_4) \in U \cap W. \quad (26)$$

$$\text{Because } UW \in W, uw_2, uw_3 = 0 \quad (27)$$

$$\text{Because } UW \in U, uw_1 = uw_2 = 0 \text{ and } uw_3 = uw_4 = 0 \quad (28)$$

$$\text{Thus } U \cap W = \{\emptyset\} \quad (29)$$

Because W and U meet the given conditions of direct sum, W is a subspace of \mathbb{F}^4 such that $\mathbb{F}^4 = U \oplus W$.