

# MATH2040C Homework 2

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## 1 Section 1.6, Q12

Given  $\{u, v, w\}$  is a basis for  $V$ , then we have  $\{u, v, w\}$  is linearly independent itself and  $V = \text{span}\{u, v, w\}$ .

Note that hence  $\forall x \in V, \exists a, b, c \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $x = au + bv + cw = a(u + v + w - (v + w)) + b(v + w - w) + cw = a(u + v + w) + (b - a)(v + w) + (c - b)w$ .

Hence  $x \in \text{span}\{u + v + w, v + w, w\}$ , i.e.,  $V = \text{span}\{u, v, w\} \subset \text{span}\{u + v + w, v + w, w\}$ .

And  $\text{span}\{u + v + w, v + w, w\} \subset \text{span}\{u, v, w\}$  holds trivially, hence  $\{u + v + w, v + w, w\}$  spans  $V$ .

Remains to prove that  $\{u + v + w, v + w, w\}$  is linearly independent, suppose not,  $\exists d, e, f \in \mathbb{F}$  (not all zeros) such that

$$d(u + v + w) + e(v + w) + fw = 0_V,$$

where the  $0_V$  is the zero vector of  $V$ .

which implies

$$du + (d + e)v + (d + e + f)w = 0_V.$$

Note that as supposed  $d, e, f$  are not all zeros, hence  $d, (d + e), (d + e + f)$  are not all zeros.

Contradiction with the assumption that  $\{u, v, w\}$  is linearly independent.

Hence  $\{u + v + w, v + w, w\}$  is linearly independent at the first place.

Q.E.D.

## 2 Section 1.6, Q15

We construct the basis by ourself. Let  $B = D \cup A$ .

$A = \{A_{mn} : m = 1, 2, \dots, n; n = 1, 2, \dots, n; m \neq n\}$  where  $A_{mn}[i, j] = 1$  if  $(i = m, j = n)$ , else it is 0.

is a set of  $n$  by  $n$  matrices having all slot being zeros unless one slot not on the main diagonal.

And  $D = \{D_1, D_2, \dots, D_{n-1}\}$ , where  $D_k[i, j] = 1$  if  $(i = j = n \text{ or } i = j = k)$ , else is zero entry.

Note that  $\forall n$  by  $n$  matrix  $M$  with  $\text{tr}(M) = 0$ . We have

$$M = \sum_{i,j:i \neq j} M_{ij}A_{ij} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} M_{ii}D_i.$$

Also note that  $B = D \cup A$  is linearly independent, and from above we have

$$\text{span} B = \{M_{n \times n} : \text{tr}(M) = 0\}.$$

Therefore  $B$  is a basis of  $\{M_{n \times n} : \text{tr}(M) = 0\}$ . And

$$|B| = |A| + |D| = n - 1 + n^2 - n = n^2 - 1.$$

Q.E.D.

### 3 Section 1.6, Q26

Consider the transform:  $T : P_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , with the function  $T(f) = f(a)$ .  
 $\cdot \forall f_1, f_2 \in P_n(\mathbb{R})$ ,

$$T(f_1 + f_2) = (f_1 + f_2)(a) = f_1(a) + f_2(a) = T(f_1) + T(f_2).$$

And  $\forall c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$T(cf) = cf(a).$$

We proved that the transformation is linear.

From the rank nullity theorem,

$$\dim N(T) + \dim R(T) = \dim P_n(\mathbb{R}) = n + 1.$$

Note that  $\dim R(T) = 1$ , hence  $\dim N(T) = n$ .

Note that  $N(T) = \dim\{f \in P_n(\mathbb{R}) : f(a) = 0\}$ . Therefore it is  $n$ .

Done.

### 4 Section 1.6, Q30

Note that the  $0_V = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . And by definition,  $0_V \in W_1, W_2$ .

Note that  $\forall x_1, x_2 \in W_1$ ,  $\exists a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2, c_1, c_2 \in F$  such that  $x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ c_1 & a_1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $x_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a_2 & b_2 \\ c_2 & a_2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Note that  $x_1 + x_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + a_2 & b_1 + b_2 \\ c_1 + c_2 & a_1 + a_2 \end{pmatrix}$ , which is also  $\in W_1$ . And  $\forall a \in F$ ,

$$ax_1 = \begin{pmatrix} aa_1 & ab_1 \\ ac_1 & aa_1 \end{pmatrix} \in W_1.$$

Note that  $\forall y_1, y_2 \in W_2$ ,  $\exists d_1, d_2, e_1, e_2 \in F$  such that  $y_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & d_1 \\ -d_1 & e_1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $y_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & d_2 \\ -d_2 & e_2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Hence  $y_1 + y_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & d_1 + d_2 \\ -d_1 + d_2 & e_1 + e_2 \end{pmatrix} \in W_2$ . And  $\forall a \in F$ ,

$$ay_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & ad_1 + ad_2 \\ -ad_1 + ad_2 & ae_1 + ae_2 \end{pmatrix} \in W_2.$$

Therefore, both  $W_1, W_2$  are subspaces of  $V$ .

Note that a basis for  $W_1$  can be  $\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$ . Hence  $\dim W_1 = 3$ .

A basis for  $W_2$  can be  $\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$ . Hence  $\dim W_2 = 2$ .

$W_1 \cap W_2 = \left\{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & a \\ -a & 0 \end{pmatrix} : a \in F\right\}$ , hence  $\dim W_1 \cap W_2 = 1$ .

$\forall \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in V$ ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & c+b \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -c \\ c & d-a \end{pmatrix}.$$

The first term is element of  $W_1$  and the second term is element of  $W_2$ . Hence

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in W_1 + W_2.$$

It is obvious that  $W_1 + W_2 \in V$ , then  $W_1 + W_2 = V$ . Hence  $\dim W_1 + W_2 = \dim V = 4$ . Done.

## 5 Section 2.1, Q3

Note that  $\forall (a_1, a_2), (b_1, b_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $T((a_1, a_2) + (b_1, b_2)) = (a_1 + b_1 + a_2 + b_2, 0, 2a_1 + 2b_1 - a_2 - b_2) = (a_1 + a_2, 0, 2a_1 - a_2) + (b_1 + b_2, 0, 2b_1 - b_2) = T((a_1, a_2)) + T((b_1, b_2))$ .

And also note that  $\forall (a_1, a_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$T(c(a_1, a_2)) = (ca_1 + ca_2, 0, 2ca_1 - ca_2) = c(a_1 + a_2, 0, 2a_1 - a_2) = cT((a_1, a_2)).$$

Hence  $T$  is linear.

The basis for  $N(T)$  is  $\{(0, 0)\}$ , and  $\dim N(T) = 0$ .

And a basis for  $R(T)$  is  $\{(1, 0, 2), (1, 0, -1)\}$ . Hence  $\dim R(T) = 2$ .

Note that

$$\dim R(T) + \dim N(T) = 2 = \dim \mathbb{R}^2$$

Therefore the rank nullity theorem is verified.

Note that  $(1, 1, 1) \notin R(T)$ , hence  $T$  is not onto (surjective).

Also note that  $N(T) = (0, 0)$ , then  $T$  is one-to-one (injective).

Done.

## 6 Section 2.1, Q5

Note that  $\forall f(x), g(x) \in P_2(\mathbb{R})$ , we have

$$T(f(x) + g(x)) = x(f(x) + g(x)) + (f(x) + g(x))' = xf(x) + f'(x) + xg(x) + g'(x) = T(f(x)) + T(g(x)).$$

Also note that  $\forall f(x) \in P_2(\mathbb{R}), \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$T(af(x)) = xaf(x) + af'(x) = aT(f(x)).$$

Therefore,  $T$  is linear.

Consider the  $N(T)$ , notice that  $xf(x) + f'(x) = 0$  does not hold if  $f(x)$  is a nonzero polynomial, because the L.H.S. always have nonzero order.

Hence the nullspace of  $T$  is only  $\{f(x) = 0\}$ .

And the basis for it is  $\{f(x) = 0\}$ ,  $\dim \{f(x) = 0\} = 0$ .

A basis for  $R(T)$  is  $\{x^3 + 2x, x, x^2 + 1\}$  and hence  $\dim \{x^3 + 2x, x, x^2 + 1\} = 3$ .

Note that  $\dim R(T) + \dim N(T) = 0 + 3 = \dim P_2(\mathbb{R})$ . Hence the rank nullity theorem is verified.

Note that  $N(T) = 0$ , then  $T$  is one-to-one (injective).

Also note that  $h(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 + 5x + 1 \in P_3(\mathbb{R})$  but  $h(x) \notin R(T)$ . Hence  $T$  is not an onto (surjective).

Done.

## 7 Section 2.1, Q14

### 7.1 (a)

We prove the "only if" direction first. Suppose  $T$  is injective. Then suppose  $\exists$  a linearly independent subset  $S \subset V$  such that  $T(S)$  is not linearly independent.

Write  $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$ . Then  $T(S) = \{T(s_1), T(s_2), \dots, T(s_n)\}$ , since  $T(S)$  is linearly dependent. Then  $\exists a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$  such that

$$a_1T(s_1) + a_2T(s_2) + \dots a_nT(s_n) = 0.$$

That is

$$T(a_1s_1 + a_2s_2 + \dots a_ns_n) = 0.$$

Recall that  $T$  is injective, then the  $N(T)$  contains only the zero vector. Then  $a_1s_1 + a_2s_2 + \dots a_ns_n$  is the zero vector, which contradicts with the assumption that  $S$  is linearly independent.

Therefore  $\forall$  linearly independent subset  $S \in V$ ,  $T(S)$  is also linearly independent.

Then we prove the "if" part. Hence we are given that  $\forall$  linearly independent subset  $S \in V$ ,  $T(S)$  is linearly independent follows.

Suppose  $T$  is not one-to-one, then  $\exists u \in V$  ( $u \neq 0_V$ ) such that  $T(u) = 0_W$ .

Consider a set  $\{u\}$ , which is a singleton with a nonzero element, hence linearly independent, but  $1 \cdot T(u) = 0_W$ , which contradicts with our assumption that  $\forall$  linearly independent subset  $S \in V$ ,  $T(S)$  is linearly independent follows.

Q.E.D.

### 7.2 (b)

Note that from (a), the "only if" part of this question is proved directly. What remains to be proved is that if  $T(S)$  is linearly independent, then  $S$  is linearly independent.

Write  $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$

Suppose not, suppose  $S$  is linearly dependent, then  $\exists a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  (not all zero) such that

$$a_1s_1 + a_2s_2 + \dots + a_ns_n = 0.$$

Then  $0_W = T(a_1s_1 + a_2s_2 + \dots + a_ns_n) = a_1T(s_1) + \dots + a_nT(s_n)$ . Which implies that  $T(S)$  is linearly dependent, contradicts with our assumption. Hence  $S$  is linearly independent at the first place.

Q.E.D.

### 7.3 (c)

Since  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis, it is linearly independent.

Suppose  $T(\beta) = \{T(v_1), T(v_2), \dots, T(v_n)\}$  is linearly dependent, then  $\exists a_1, \dots, a_n$  (not all zeros) such that

$$a_1T(v_1) + \dots + a_nT(v_n) = 0.$$

Which implies  $T(a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n) = 0$ . By  $T$  is one-to-one,  $a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n = 0$ , which contradicts with our assumption that  $\beta$  is linearly independent.

Hence  $T(\beta)$  is linearly independent.

What remains to prove is that  $W \subset \text{span}T(\beta)$ .

Since  $T$  is surjective, then  $\forall w \in W, \exists v \in V$  such that  $w = T(v)$ .

And  $\exists b_1, \dots, b_n$  such that

$$v = b_1v_1 + \dots + b_nv_n.$$

Therefore,

$$w = T(b_1v_1 + \dots + b_nv_n) = b_1T(v_1) + \dots + b_nT(v_n) \in \text{span}T(\beta).$$

Then we proved that  $T(\beta)$  is a basis for  $W$ .

Q.E.D.

## 8 Section 2.1, Q17

### 8.1 (b)

By the rank-nullity theorem, we have

$$\dim N(T) + \dim R(T) = \dim V.$$

Which implies  $\dim N(T) = \dim V - \dim R(T)$ .

Recall that  $\dim R(T) \leq \dim W$ , then  $-\dim R(T) \geq -\dim W$ .

Therefore,  $\dim N(T) = \dim V - \dim R(T) \geq \dim V - \dim W > 0$ .

Note that being one-to-one requires that  $\dim N(T) = 0$ . Hence in this case,  $T$  cannot be one-to-one.

Q.E.D.

### 8.2 (a)

Note that  $T$  is onto iff  $R(T) = W$ . Which implies  $\dim R(T) = \dim W$ . This is impossible to achieve since

$$\dim R(T) = \dim V - \dim N(T) < \dim W - \dim N(T).$$

Hence  $T$  cannot be onto.  
Q.E.D.

## 9 Section 2.1, Q21

### 9.1 (a)

$\forall a = (a_0, a_1, \dots), b = (b_0, b_1, \dots) \in V, \forall c \in F$ , we have

$$T(a + b) = T(a_0 + b_0, \dots) = (a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2, \dots) = (a_1, a_2, \dots) + (b_1, b_2, \dots) = T(a) + T(b).$$

And

$$T(ca) = (ca_1, ca_2, \dots) = c(a_1, a_2, \dots) = cT(a).$$

Therefore  $T$  is linear.

$\forall a = (a_0, a_1, \dots), b = (b_0, b_1, \dots) \in V, \forall c \in F$ , we have

$$U(a + b) = U(a_0 + b_0, \dots) = (0, a_0 + b_0, a_1 + b_1, \dots) = (0, a_0, a_1, \dots) + (0, b_0, b_1, \dots) = U(a) + U(b).$$

And

$$U(ca) = (ca_0, ca_1, \dots) = c(a_0, a_1, \dots) = cU(a).$$

Therefore  $U$  is linear.

Q.E.D.

### 9.2 (b)

Note that  $\forall w \in V, \exists (1, w) \in V$  such that

$$T((1, w)) = w.$$

Therefore  $T$  is surjective.

Also note that  $T((1, 1, 0, \dots)) = T((0, 1, 0, \dots)) = (1, 0, \dots)$  (the ... part are all zeros)

Therefore  $T$  is not one-to-one, not injective.

Q.E.D.

### 9.3 (c)

$\forall x, y \in V$  with  $x \neq y$ , we have  $U(x) = (0, x)$  and  $U(y) = (0, y)$ .

$U(x) \neq U(y)$  follows since  $x \neq y$ . Therefore,  $U$  is one-to-one.

Also note that  $(1, 0, 0, 0, \dots) \in V$  (the ... part are all zeros) but obviously it does not inside the range of  $U$ .

Hence  $U$  is not onto.

Q.E.D.

## 10 Section 2.1, Q22

### 10.1 $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Denote  $a = T((1, 0, 0))$ ,  $b = T((0, 1, 0))$ ,  $c = T((0, 0, 1))$ . Then  $\forall (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  we have

$$T(x, y, z) = T(x(1, 0, 0) + y(0, 1, 0) + z(0, 0, 1)) = ax + by + cz.$$

Which is what the question wanted.

### 10.2 $T : F^n \rightarrow F$

To generate it to  $F^n \rightarrow F$ , we need to first find a basis.

Take the set  $\{e_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be the basis, where  $e_i = (0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0)$  where the 1 is slotted at the  $i$ -th entry.

Denote  $T(e_i) = a_i$ . Then  $\forall (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in F^n$ ,

$$T(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = T(x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + \dots + x_n e_n) = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots + a_n x_n.$$

That's it.

### 10.3 $T : F^n \rightarrow F^m$

Statement:  $\exists u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \in F^m$  such that  $\forall (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in F^n$ , we have

$$T((x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)) = x_1 u_1 + x_2 u_2 + \dots + x_n u_n.$$

Proof: denote  $T(e_i) = u_i$ , then  $\forall (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in F^n$ , we have

$$T((x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)) = T(x_1 e_1 + \dots + x_n e_n) = x_1 u_1 + x_2 u_2 + \dots + x_n u_n.$$

Q.E.D.