

MATH 113 - Matrix Theory; Midterm Review

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1 Notes on 3.F: Duality

Definition. A linear functional on V is a linear map from V to \mathbf{F} , i.e. an element of $\mathcal{L}(V, \mathbf{F})$.

Definition. The dual space of V , denoted V' is the vector space of all linear functions on V . In other words, $V' = \mathcal{L}(V, \mathbf{F})$.

Note that $\dim V' = \dim V$. This follows from 3.61, which states that $\dim \mathcal{L}(V, W) = \dim(V) \dim(W)$.

Definition. If v_1, \dots, v_n is a basis of V , then the dual basis of v_1, \dots, v_n is the list ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n of elements of V' where each ϕ_j is the linear functional on V such that

$$\phi_j(v_k) = \begin{cases} 1; & \text{if } k = j \\ 0; & \text{if } k \neq j. \end{cases}$$

2 Review

- Let $T \in L(V, W)$. Then T is injective if and only if $\text{null } T = \{0\}$.
- Fundamental theorem of linear maps. Let T be a linear map from V to W . Then

$$\dim V = \dim \text{null } T + \dim \text{range } T$$

- Matrix of a linear map. Suppose $T \in L(V, W)$ and v_1, \dots, v_n is a basis of V and w_1, \dots, w_m is a basis of W . The matrix of T w.r.t. these bases is the $m \times n$ matrix whose entries $A_{j,k}$ are defined by

$$Tv_k = A_{1,k}w_1 + \cdots + A_{m,k}w_m.$$

(Look at picture on pg. 71).

- A linear functional on V is a linear map from V to F .
- The dual space of V , denoted V' , is the vector space of all linear functionals on V , with $V' = L(V, F)$. Note that $\dim V' = \dim V$.
- If v_1, \dots, v_n is a basis of V , then the dual basis of v_1, \dots, v_n is the list ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n of elements of V' , where each ϕ_j satisfies $\phi_j(v_k) = 1$ if $k = j$, else 0.
- Suppose V is finite dimensional and U is a subspace of V . Then

$$\dim U + \dim U^\perp = \dim V.$$

- (3.5) Suppose v_1, \dots, v_n is a basis of V and $w_1, \dots, w_n \in W$. Then there exists a unique linear map $T : V \rightarrow W$ such that

$$Tv_j = w_j$$

for each $j = 1, \dots, n$.

- Volume functions. A function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a volume function if it satisfies bilinearity and alternation.
 - Bilinearity: $f(u, av + bw) = af(u, v) + bf(u, w)$ and $f(au + bv, w) = af(u, w) + bf(v, w)$.
 - Alternation, $f(u, u) = 0$.
- Note that volume functions are a vector space.
- In general, can write volume functions in general for multilinear functions.
- Swapping two vectors changes the sign of the volume.
- For any permutation, define $\text{inv}(\sigma)$ to be the number of inversions. The number of times that $i < j$, but $\sigma(i) > \sigma(j)$.
- For any permutation, define the sign as $(-1)^{\text{inv}(\sigma)}$.
- If A_{ij} is an $n \times n$ over a field k , then $\det A$ is

$$\det A = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma_n} (\sigma) A_{\sigma(1),1} \cdots A_{\sigma(n),n}$$

- Q1a. If T is injective, then $Tv_1 = Tv_2$ implies $v_1 = v_2$. To show linear independence, we claim that

$$a_1Tv_1 + a_2Tv_2 + \cdots + a_nTv_n = 0$$

implies $v_i = 0$ for all i .

- Q2.