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**Hints of Tutorial Sheet 3: Linear Transformation**

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1. (a) It is easy to verify that  $T(c\alpha + \beta) = cT(\alpha) + T(\beta)$  for every  $c \in F$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in V$ . We know that  $\text{null}(T) = \{x \in F^3 : T(x) = 0\}$ . Now  $(x + y + z, x - y + z, x + z) = (0, 0, 0)$  implies that

$$\begin{aligned}x + y + z &= 0 \\x - y + z &= 0 \\x + z &= 0,\end{aligned}$$

which can be written as  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then system equivalent to

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $x + z = 0$  and  $y = 0$ ,  $z$  is arbitrary. Let  $z = t$ ,  $x = -t$ . Then  $(x, y, z) = (-t, 0, t) = t(-1, 0, 1)$ . Therefore  $\text{null}(T) = \{t(-1, 0, 1) : t \in \mathbb{F}\}$ . Then basis of  $\text{null}(T)$  is  $\{(-1, 0, 1)\}$ .

Now  $\eta$  be a arbitrary vector in range of  $T$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\eta &= (x + y + z, x - y + z, x + z) \\ &= x(1, 1, 1) + y(1, -1, 0) + z(1, 1, 1).\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\eta$  is a linear combination of the vectors  $(1, 1, 1), (1, -1, 0)$ . Hence range of  $T$  is the subspace spanned by  $\{(1, 1, 1), (1, -1, 0)\}$ . As  $\{(1, 1, 1), (1, -1, 0)\}$  is linearly independent and hence is a basis of range of  $T$ .

- (b) It is easy to verify that  $T(c\alpha + \beta) = cT(\alpha) + T(\beta)$  for every  $c \in F$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in V$ . By following the similar process as in point (a)  $\text{null}(T) = \{c(-2, 4, 3) : c \in \mathbb{F}\}$  and basis of  $\text{null}(T) = \{(-2, 4, 3)\}$ . Again range  $T$  is spanned by  $\{(-1, 1, -2), (2, 0, 2)\}$ . Then the basis of range of  $T$  is  $\{(-1, 1, -2), (2, 0, 2)\}$ .

2. It is given that  $T \neq 0$  but  $T^2 = 0$ . As  $T \neq 0$ , then there exists a non-zero vector  $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $T(x^*) \neq 0$ . Now consider a relation  $c_1x^* + c_2T(x^*) = 0$ . Then  $T(c_1x^* + c_2T(x^*)) = T(0)$ . As  $T$  is linear map, then  $c_1T(x^*) + c_2T^2(x^*) = 0$ . Again  $T^2(x) = 0$ , for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then we get that  $c_1 = 0$ . Then it is easy to observe that  $c_2 = 0$ . Therefore  $\{x^*, T(x^*)\}$  is linearly independent.

3. Let  $\beta = (x, y, z)$  such that  $T(\beta) = (9, 3, \alpha)$ . Then we have

$$2x + 3y + 4z = 9$$

$$x + y + z = 3$$

$$x + y + 3z = \alpha$$

Which can be written as  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 3 \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix}$ . After row operation on the augmented matrix is  $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 3 & 4 & 9 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & -1 & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & \alpha - 3 \end{array} \right]$ . This implies that  $x = \frac{\alpha-3}{2}$ ,  $y = 6 - \alpha$ ,  $z = \frac{\alpha-3}{2}$ . Therefore  $\beta = (\frac{\alpha-3}{2}, 6 - \alpha, \frac{\alpha-3}{2})$ .

4. Yes, because  $T(aA_1 + bA_2) = (aA_1 + bA_2)B - B(aA_1 + bA_2) = aT(A_1) + bT(A_2)$ . Now, nullity of  $T = \{A \mid T(A) = 0\} = \{A \mid AB = BA\}$ , i.e. set of all matrices that commutes with  $B$ . As  $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  can be written as the union of sets of commutative and non commutative matrices with  $B$ . The range of  $T$  contains all those matrices which are images of non commutative matrices with  $B$  together with 0 matrix.

5. Since  $(1, -1, 1)$  and  $(-1, 1, 2)$  are linearly independent, hence extend to basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and define  $T(0, 1, 0) = (1, 1)$ , then a simple calculation gives us the linear transformation as  $T(x, y, z) = (\frac{4x+3y+2z}{3}, \frac{7x+3y+2z}{3})$ . No, it is not a unique linear transformation of this type.

6. The range and null spaces are identical, hence assume  $\dim(\text{range } T) = \dim(\text{null } T) = m$ . Applying rank-nullity theorem we get  $n = 2m$  which is even. Define  $T$  as  $T(1, 0) = (0, 0)$  and  $T(0, 1) = (1, 0)$ , then the range space and null space are equal as it is generated by  $(1, 0)$ .

7. Let  $x \in \text{range } T \cap \text{null } T$  then  $0 = T(x) = T(c_1Ta_1 + \dots + c_iTa_i) = c_1T^2a_1 + \dots + c_iT^2a_i$ . Hence  $\text{rank}(T^2) = \text{rank}(T)$ , therefore  $\{T^2a_1, \dots, T^2a_i\}$  must be the basis of  $\text{range}(T^2)$  implies  $c_1 = \dots = c_i = 0$  hence  $x = 0$ .

8. Here  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and after the column operations  $c_1 \rightarrow 4C_1 - C_3$ ,  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - 8C_2$ ,

$C_1 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{3}C_1$ ,  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - 2C_1$ ,  $C_3 \rightarrow \frac{C_3+C_1}{4}$  on  $A$  we get that  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Hence the basis for the column space is  $\{(0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1), (1, 0, 0)\}$  and rank is 3.

9. In this problem it is given that  $m > n$ .

- (a) On the contrary, there is a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , which is one-one (injective). Then nullity of  $T = 0$ . Again by the rank-nullity theorem we know that

$$\text{nullity of } T + \text{rank of } T = \dim(\mathbb{R}^m) = m.$$

Then we have rank of  $T = m$ , which is not possible as Image of  $T$  is subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , that is rank of  $T$  is less than equal to  $n$ .

- (b) On the contrary, suppose there is a linear map  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , which is onto. That is range of  $T = \mathbb{R}^m$ . Therefore rank of  $T = m$ . Again by the rank-nullity theorem we got the contradiction.

10. The matrix of  $T$  corresponding to the standard basis is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ i & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Since  $\det(T) = 0$ ,

then  $T$  is not invertible.

11. It is easy to check that the matrix of  $T$  corresponding to the standard basis is  $[T]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . As  $\det([T]_{\beta}) \neq 0$ , hence  $T$  is invertible and the inverse is  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Now putting the value of  $T$  and  $I$  we get that  $(T^2 - I)(T - 3I) = 0$  (zero map).

12. Here

$$T(1, 0, -1) = (1, -1) = 5(1, 1) + (-2)(2, 3)$$

$$T(1, 1, 1) = (2, 1) = 4(1, 1) + (-1)(2, 3)$$

$$T(1, 0, 0) = (1, -1) = 5(1, 1) + (-2)(2, 3).$$

Thus the matrix of  $T$  relative to the basis  $\beta, \beta'$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 & 5 \\ -2 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

13. (a) It is easy to check that the matrix of  $T$  corresponding to the standard matrix is  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

- (b) As  $\beta = \{(1, 2), (1, -1)\}$  and  $T(1, 2) = (-2, 1) = \frac{-1}{3}(1, 2) + \frac{-5}{3}(1, -1)$ ,  $T(1, -1) = (1, 1) = \frac{2}{3}(1, 2) + \frac{1}{3}(1, -1)$ . Therefore the matrix of  $T$  corresponding to the matrix is  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{-1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{-5}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (c) As  $(T - cI)(x, y) = (-y - cx, x - cy)$ , then the matrix of  $T - cI$  corresponding to the standard basis is  $\begin{bmatrix} -c & -1 \\ 1 & -c \end{bmatrix}$ . Therefore  $\det(T - cI) = c^2 + 1 \neq 0 \forall c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- (d)

14. (a) Calculating we have  $T(1, 0, 0) = (3, -2, -1)$ ,  $T(0, 1, 0) = (0, 1, 2)$ ,  $T(0, 0, 1) = (1, 0, 4)$ . Then the matrix of  $T$  corresponding to the standard basis is  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- (b) Again the matrix of  $T$  corresponding to the ordered basis  $\{(1, 0, 1), (-1, 2, 1), (2, 1, 1)\}$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{13}{4} & \frac{47}{4} & \frac{11}{2} \\ \frac{-3}{4} & \frac{11}{4} & \frac{-3}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{-11}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- (c) As determinant of  $T$  corresponding to the standard basis is non-zero, then it is invertible. Now inverse of the matrix of  $T$  corresponding to the standard basis is  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{9} & \frac{2}{9} & \frac{-1}{9} \\ \frac{8}{9} & \frac{13}{9} & \frac{-2}{9} \\ \frac{-1}{3} & \frac{-2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$ . Then we have

$$T^{-1}(x, y, z) = \left( \frac{4}{9}x + \frac{2}{9}y + \frac{-1}{9}z, \frac{8}{9}x + \frac{13}{9}y + \frac{-2}{9}z, \frac{-1}{3}x + \frac{-2}{3}y + \frac{1}{3}z \right).$$