

Homework 2.2 Math 344

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2.8

Assume to the contrary that $L_1 L_2$ is invertible. Then $(L_1 L_2)^{-1} = (L_2)^{-1} (L_1)^{-1}$ which is a contradiction since L_1 is not invertible and therefore L_1^{-1} does not exist.

2.9 (i)

Our inductive hypothesis is that $\mathcal{N}(A^{n-1}) = \mathcal{N}(A^k)$. We want to show that $\mathcal{N}(A^n) = \mathcal{N}(A^k)$. To do so we need to show that $\mathcal{N}(A^n) \subset \mathcal{N}(A^k)$ and that $\mathcal{N}(A^k) \subset \mathcal{N}(A^n)$. The second hypothesis we have by exercise 2.7. As for the first, Let $x \in \mathcal{N}(A^n)$, which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} A^n(x) &= 0 \\ \implies A^{n-1}(A(x)) &= 0 \\ \implies A(x) &\in \mathcal{N}(A^{n-1}) \\ \implies A(x) &\in \mathcal{N}(A^k) \text{ (by the inductive hypothesis)} \\ \implies A^k(A(x)) &= 0 \\ \implies A^{k+1}(A(x)) &= 0 \\ \implies x &\in \mathcal{N}(A^{k+1}) = \mathcal{N}(A^k) \\ \implies x &\in \mathcal{N} A^k \quad x \in \mathcal{N} A^n \\ \implies \mathcal{N}(A^n) &\subset \mathcal{N}(A^k) \\ \implies \mathcal{N}(A^n) &= \mathcal{N}(A^k) \end{aligned}$$

2.9 (ii)

We know that $\mathcal{R}(A^{k+1}) = \mathcal{R}(A^k)$, and we want to show that $\mathcal{R}(A^n) = \mathcal{R}(A^k)$ by showing that $\mathcal{R}(A^n) \subset \mathcal{R}(A^k)$ and that $\mathcal{R}(A^k) \subset \mathcal{R}(A^n)$. The first we've already proved in exercise 2.7. As for the second, Our inductive hypothesis is that $\mathcal{R}(A^{k-1}) = \mathcal{R}(A^k)$. Now let $x \in \mathcal{R}(A^k) = \mathcal{R}(A^{n-1}) \implies A(x) \in A^n(x) \implies A(x) \in \mathcal{R} A^n$. We also have that $x \in \mathcal{R}(A^k) \implies x = A^k(z) \implies A(x) = (A^{k+1}(z)) \implies A(x) \in$

$$\mathcal{R}(A^{k+1})$$

$$\implies A(x) \in \mathcal{R}(A^k) \quad A(x) \in \mathcal{R}(A^n) \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{R}(A^k) \implies \mathcal{R}(A^k) = \mathcal{R}(A^k)$$

2.9 (iii)

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2.10

Let $A' : \mathcal{R}(B) \rightarrow W$. By the Rank-Nullity theorem, we have that $\dim(\mathcal{R}(B)) = \text{rank}(A') + \text{nullity}(A') \implies \text{rank}(B) = \text{rank}(A') + \text{nullity}(A')$. Now we have to show that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}(A') &= \mathcal{R}(AB) \quad \text{and that} \\ \mathcal{N}(A') &= \mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B) \end{aligned}$$

For the first equality, take an arbitrary $x \in \mathcal{R}(A')$. x is mapped from $\mathcal{R}(B)$ to W . An arbitrary $y \in \mathcal{R}(AB)$ is mapped from $U \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(B) \rightarrow W \implies \mathcal{R}(A') = \mathcal{R}(AB)$. For the second equality, take an arbitrary $x \in \mathcal{N}(A'), y \in \mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B)$. The $\mathcal{N}A'$ is everything that is in the range of B but mapped to zero. The second term is every y s.t. $B(y) = 0, y \in V$ that is mapped to zero but is also in V . Therefore, it is clear that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}(A') &= \mathcal{R}(AB) \\ \mathcal{N}(A') &= \mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B) \end{aligned}$$

2.11 (i)

Need to show $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}A$ and $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(B)$.

We know that $\text{rank}(AB) = \text{rank}B - \dim(\mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B))$. $\dim(\mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B))$ cannot be negative, so we know that $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}B$. As for $\text{rank}(A)$, we know that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rank}(AB) &= \text{rank}(B) - \dim(\mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B)) \leq \text{rank}(A) \\ \implies \text{rank}(B) &\leq \dim(\mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B)) + \text{rank}(A) \end{aligned}$$

Case one: $\dim \mathcal{N}(A) > \dim \mathcal{R}(B) : \dim(\mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B)) \leq \dim \mathcal{R}(B) = \text{rank}(B)$ so we have that

$$\text{rank}(B) \leq \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B) \text{ if and only if } 0 \leq \text{rank}(A)$$

Case two: $\dim(\mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B)) \leq \dim \mathcal{N}(A)$, so

$$\text{rank}(B) \leq \text{rank}(A) + \text{nullity}(A) = \dim(A) \text{ by rank nullity}$$

$$\mathcal{R}(B) \subset V \implies \text{rank}B \leq \dim V \implies \text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(A)$$

2.11 (ii)

We want to show that

$$\text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B) - \dim V \leq \text{rank}(AB)$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B) - \text{nullity } A - \text{rank } A &= \text{rank } B - \dim \mathcal{N}(A) \leq \text{rank}(AB) \\ \implies \text{rank } B - \dim \mathcal{N}(A) &\leq \text{rank } B - \dim(\mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B)) \\ \implies -\dim \mathcal{N}(A) &\leq -\dim(\mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B)) \\ \implies \dim \mathcal{N}(A) &\leq \dim(\mathcal{N}(A) \cap \mathcal{R}(B)) \\ \text{which is true} \implies \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B) - \dim V &\leq \text{rank}(AB) \end{aligned}$$

2.12

For the mapping L , and $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $x, y \in V$ we have the following:

$$\begin{aligned} L(ax + by) &= \left((ax + by) + W_1, (ax + by) + W_2, \dots, (ax + by) + W_n \right) \\ aL(x) + bL(y) &= a \left(x + W_1, x + W_2, \dots, x + W_n \right) + b \left(y + W_1, y + W_2, \dots, y + W_n \right) \\ &= \left(ax + W_1, ax + W_2, \dots, ax + W_n \right) + \left(by + W_1, by + W_2, \dots, by + W_n \right) \\ &= \left((ax + by) + W_1, (ax + by) + W_2, \dots, (ax + by) + W_n \right) \end{aligned}$$

$\implies L$ is a linear transformation.

To show that $\mathcal{N}(L) = \cap_{i=1}^n W_i$, we notice that:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}(L) &= \{x \in V \mid x + W_i = 0 + W_i \ \forall i\} = \{x \in V \mid x \in W_i \ \forall i\} \\ &= W_1 \cap W_2 \cap \dots \cap W_n = \cap_{i=1}^n W_i \end{aligned}$$

2.13

If V is a vector space and $S \subset T \subset V$, and $L : V/S \rightarrow V/T$ such that $L(x + S) = (x + T)$.

We know that the mapping L is well defined because $S \subset T$ and for any $(x+T) \in V/T$

the mapping is given by $(x + T) \in V/S$. This allows us to say that the mapping L is surjective.

We now want to show that our mapping L is linear:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{N}(L) &= \{(x + S) \in V/S \mid L(x + S) = (x + T)\} \\ &= \{(x + S) \in V/S \mid x \in T\} \\ &= \{x + S \in T/S\}\end{aligned}$$

$\implies L$ is linear and by the FIT we have $\frac{V/S}{T/S}$ is isomorphic to V/T .