

# Module 2

## Matrices and Linear Maps

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### Problem 1: 20 points total

(1) (5 points) Prove that the column vectors of the matrix  $A_2$  given by

$$A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

are linearly independent.

$$A_2^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_2^{-1}A_2 = I$$

$$I_{11} = 1(2) + 1(0) + 1(-\frac{1}{2}) + 1(-\frac{1}{2}) = 1$$

$$I_{12} = 1(-1) + 1(1) + 1(0) + 1(0) = 0$$

$$I_{13} = 1(-1) + 1(0) + 1(1) + 1(0) = 0$$

$$I_{14} = 1(1) + 1(-1) + 1(-\frac{1}{2}) + 1(\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{21} = 1(2) + 2(0) + 1(-\frac{1}{2}) + 3(-\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{22} = 1(-1) + 2(1) + 1(0) + 3(0) = 1$$

$$I_{23} = 1(-1) + 2(0) + 1(1) + 3(0) = 0$$

$$I_{24} = 1(1) + 2(-1) + 1(-\frac{1}{2}) + 3(\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{31} = 1(2) + 1(0) + 2(-\frac{1}{2}) + 2(-\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{32} = 1(-1) + 1(1) + 2(0) + 2(0) = 0$$

$$I_{33} = 1(-1) + 1(0) + 2(1) + 2(0) = 1$$

$$I_{34} = 1(1) + 1(-1) + 2(-\frac{1}{2}) + 2(\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{41} = 1(2) + 1(0) + 1(-\frac{1}{2}) + 3(-\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{42} = 1(-1) + 1(1) + 1(0) + 3(0) = 0$$

$$I_{43} = 1(-1) + 1(0) + 1(1) + 3(0) = 0$$

$$I_{44} = 1(1) + 1(-1) + 1(-\frac{1}{2}) + 3(\frac{1}{2}) = 1$$

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (2) (5 points) Prove that the column vectors of the matrix  $B_2$  given by

$$B_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & -3 & 2 & -3 \\ 3 & -5 & 5 & -4 \\ 3 & -4 & 4 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

are linearly independent.

$$B_2^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 4\frac{1}{2} & -1 & -1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 4\frac{1}{2} & -1 & 0 & -1\frac{1}{2} \\ -1\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B_2^{-1}B_2 = I$$

$$I_{11} = 1(-2) + -2(4\frac{1}{2}) + 2(4\frac{1}{2}) + -2(-1\frac{1}{2}) = 1$$

$$I_{12} = 1(0) + -2(-1) + 2(-1) + -2(0) = 0$$

$$I_{13} = 1(0) + -2(-1) + 2(0) + -2(1) = 0$$

$$I_{14} = 1(1) + -2(-\frac{1}{2}) + 2(-1\frac{1}{2}) + -2(-\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{21} = 0(-2) + -3(4\frac{1}{2}) + 2(4\frac{1}{2}) + -3(-1\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{22} = 0(0) + -3(-1) + 2(-1) + -3(0) = 1$$

$$I_{23} = 0(0) + -3(-1) + 2(0) + -3(1) = 0$$

$$I_{24} = 0(1) + -3(-\frac{1}{2}) + 2(-1\frac{1}{2}) + -3(-\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{31} = 3(-2) + -5(4\frac{1}{2}) + 5(4\frac{1}{2}) + -4(-1\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{32} = 3(0) + -5(-1) + 5(-1) + -4(0) = 0$$

$$I_{33} = 3(0) + -5(-1) + 5(0) + -4(1) = 1$$

$$I_{34} = 3(1) + -5(-\frac{1}{2}) + 5(-1\frac{1}{2}) + -4(-\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{41} = 3(-2) + -4(4\frac{1}{2}) + 4(4\frac{1}{2}) + -4(-1\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$I_{42} = 3(0) + -4(-1) + 4(-1) + -4(0) = 0$$

$$I_{43} = 3(0) + -4(-1) + 4(0) + -4(1) = 0$$

$$I_{44} = 3(1) + -4(-\frac{1}{2}) + 4(-1\frac{1}{2}) + -4(-\frac{1}{2}) = 1$$

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (3) (10 points) Prove that the coordinates of the column vectors of the matrix  $B_2$  over the basis consisting of the column vectors of  $A_2$  are the columns of the matrix  $P_2$  given by

$$P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -3 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
B2_{11} &= 2(1) + -3(1) + 1(1) + 1(1) = 1 \\
B2_{21} &= 2(1) + -3(2) + 1(1) + 1(3) = 0 \\
B2_{31} &= 2(1) + -3(1) + 1(2) + 1(2) = 3 \\
B2_{41} &= 2(1) + -3(1) + 1(1) + 1(3) = 3 \\
B2_{12} &= 0(1) + 1(1) + -2(1) + -1(1) = -2 \\
B2_{22} &= 0(1) + 1(2) + -2(1) + -1(3) = -3 \\
B2_{32} &= 0(1) + 1(1) + -2(2) + -1(2) = -5 \\
B2_{42} &= 0(1) + 1(1) + -2(1) + -1(3) = -4 \\
B2_{13} &= 1(1) + -2(1) + 2(1) + 1(1) = 2 \\
B2_{23} &= 1(1) + -2(2) + 2(1) + 1(3) = -2 \\
B2_{33} &= 1(1) + -2(1) + 2(2) + 1(2) = 5 \\
B2_{43} &= 1(1) + -2(1) + 2(1) + 1(3) = 4 \\
B2_{14} &= -1(1) + 1(1) + -1(1) + -1(1) = -2 \\
B2_{24} &= -1(1) + 1(2) + -1(1) + -1(3) = -3 \\
B2_{34} &= -1(1) + 1(1) + -1(2) + -1(2) = -4 \\
B2_{44} &= -1(1) + 1(1) + -1(1) + -1(3) = -4
\end{aligned}$$

Check that  $A_2 P_2 = B_2$ .

Done.

Prove that

$$P_2^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & -3 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P_2^{-1} P_2 &= I \\
I_{11} &= 2(-1) + 0(2) + 1(2) + -1(-1) = 1 \\
I_{12} &= 2(-1) + 0(1) + 1(1) + -1(-1) = 0 \\
I_{13} &= 2(-1) + 0(1) + 1(2) + -1(0) = 0 \\
I_{14} &= 2(1) + 0(-2) + 1(-3) + -1(-1) = 0 \\
I_{21} &= -3(-1) + 1(2) + -2(2) + 1(-1) = 0 \\
I_{22} &= -3(-1) + 1(1) + -2(1) + 1(-1) = 1 \\
I_{23} &= -3(-1) + 1(1) + -2(2) + 1(0) = 0 \\
I_{24} &= -3(1) + 1(-2) + -2(-3) + 1(-1) = 0 \\
I_{31} &= 1(-1) + -2(2) + 2(2) + -1(-1) = 0 \\
I_{32} &= 1(-1) + -2(1) + 2(1) + -1(-1) = 0 \\
I_{33} &= 1(-1) + -2(1) + 2(2) + -1(0) = 1 \\
I_{34} &= 1(1) + -2(-2) + 2(-3) + -1(-1) = 0 \\
I_{41} &= 1(-1) + -1(2) + 1(2) + -1(-1) = 0 \\
I_{42} &= 1(-1) + -1(1) + 1(1) + -1(-1) = 0 \\
I_{43} &= 1(-1) + -1(1) + 1(2) + -1(0) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

$$I_{44} = 1(1) + -1(-2) + 1(-3) + -1(-1) = 1$$

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

What are the coordinates over the basis consisting of the column vectors of  $B_2$  of the vector whose coordinates over the basis consisting of the column vectors of  $A_2$  are  $(2, -3, 0, 0)$ ?

$$old = (2, -3, 0, 0)$$

$$new = A_2^{-1} \cdot old$$

$$new_1 = (2)(2) + (-1)(-3) + (-1)(0) + (-1)(0) = 7$$

$$new_2 = (0)(2) + (1)(-3) + (0)(0) + (-1)(0) = -3$$

$$new_3 = (-\frac{1}{2})(2) + (0)(-3) + (1)(0) + (-\frac{1}{2})(0) = -1$$

$$new_4 = (-\frac{1}{2})(2) + (0)(-3) + (0)(0) + (\frac{1}{2})(0) = -1$$

$$A_2^{-1} \cdot old = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -3 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = new$$

## Problem 2: 30 points total

Consider the polynomials

$$\begin{aligned} B_0^2(t) &= (1-t)^2 & B_1^2(t) &= 2(1-t)t & B_2^2(t) &= t^2 \\ B_0^3(t) &= (1-t)^3 & B_1^3(t) &= 3(1-t)^2t & B_2^3(t) &= 3(1-t)t^2 & B_3^3(t) &= t^3, \end{aligned}$$

known as the *Bernstein polynomials* of degree 2 and 3.

- (1) (10 points) Show that the Bernstein polynomials  $B_0^2(t), B_1^2(t), B_2^2(t)$  are expressed as linear combinations of the basis  $(1, t, t^2)$  of the vector space of polynomials of degree at most 2 as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} B_0^2(t) \\ B_1^2(t) \\ B_2^2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ t \\ t^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Prove that

$$B_0^2(t) + B_1^2(t) + B_2^2(t) = 1.$$

- (2) (10 points) Show that the Bernstein polynomials  $B_0^3(t), B_1^3(t), B_2^3(t), B_3^3(t)$  are expressed as linear combinations of the basis  $(1, t, t^2, t^3)$  of the vector space of polynomials of degree at most 3 as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} B_0^3(t) \\ B_1^3(t) \\ B_2^3(t) \\ B_3^3(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -6 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ t \\ t^2 \\ t^3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Prove that

$$B_0^3(t) + B_1^3(t) + B_2^3(t) + B_3^3(t) = 1.$$

- (3) (10 points) Prove that the Bernstein polynomials of degree 2 are linearly independent, and that the Bernstein polynomials of degree 3 are linearly independent.

### Problem 3: 10 points

Prove that for every vector space  $E$ , if  $f: E \rightarrow E$  is an idempotent linear map, i.e.,  $f \circ f = f$ , then we have a direct sum

$$E = \text{Ker } f \oplus \text{Im } f,$$

so that  $f$  is the projection onto its image  $\text{Im } f$ .

$$u \in E$$

$$u = f(u) + (u - f(u))$$

$$f(u) = \text{Im } f$$

$$f(u - f(u)) = f(u) - f(f(u)) = f(u) - f(u) = 0 = \text{Ker } f$$

$$\text{WTS } f(u) \cap f(u - f(u)) = 0$$

$$\text{since } 0 \in f(u) \text{ and } f(u - f(u)) = 0 \implies f(u) \cap f(u - f(u)) = f(u) \cap 0 = 0$$

### Problem 4: 20 points plus 15 points Extra Credit

Given any vector space  $E$ , a linear map  $f: E \rightarrow E$  is an *involution* if  $f \circ f = \text{id}$ .

- (1) (10 points) Prove that an involution  $f$  is invertible. What is its inverse?

$$f \text{ is invertible if } f \circ f^{-1} = \text{id}$$

$$f \circ f = \text{id} \implies f \circ f^{-1} = \text{id} \implies f = f^{-1}$$

so  $f$  is the inverse of  $f$

- (2) (10 points) Let  $E_1$  and  $E_{-1}$  be the subspaces of  $E$  defined as follows:

$$E_1 = \{u \in E \mid f(u) = u\}$$

$$E_{-1} = \{u \in E \mid f(u) = -u\}.$$

Prove that we have a direct sum

$$E = E_1 \oplus E_{-1}.$$

*Hint.* For every  $u \in E$ , write

$$u = \frac{u + f(u)}{2} + \frac{u - f(u)}{2}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{u+f(u)}{2}\right) &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot (f(u) + f(f(u))) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (f(u) + (u)) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (u + u) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (2u) = u = E_1 \\ f\left(\frac{u-f(u)}{2}\right) &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot (f(u) - f(f(u))) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (f(u) - (u)) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (-u - u) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (-2u) = -u = E_{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{WTS } E_1 \cap E_{-1} = (0)$$

since  $u \in E$  and  $u \in E_{-1}$

then  $f(u) = u = f(u) = -u$

so  $u = -u \implies u = 0 \implies E_1 \cap E_{-1} = (0)$

- (3) **Extra credit** (15 points) If  $E$  is finite-dimensional and  $f$  is an involution, prove that there is some basis of  $E$  with respect to which the matrix of  $f$  is of the form

$$I_{k,n-k} = \begin{pmatrix} I_k & 0 \\ 0 & -I_{n-k} \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $I_k$  is the  $k \times k$  identity matrix (similarly for  $I_{n-k}$ ) and  $k = \dim(E_1)$ . Can you give a geometric interpretation of the action of  $f$  (especially when  $k = n - 1$ )?

**Total: 70 points**

**Extra Credit: 15 points**