

## MATH1231 Assignment (Applied Mathematics Flavour)

**Q1.**

The function  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is defined by

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3x_2 - 3x_3 \\ -4x_1 + 2x_3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ for all } \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

Show that  $T$  is linear.

**Answer:**

A transformation in the function  $T$  from vector space  $V_1$  to  $V_2$  is only a linear transformation if it satisfies the vector addition condition

$$T(v_1 + v_2) = T(v_1) + T(v_2) \text{ where } v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

and the vector scalar multiplication condition

$$T(\alpha v_1) = \alpha T(v_1) \text{ where } \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } v_1 \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

To show that  $T$  is linear, we will show that it satisfies both the vector addition and scalar multiplication conditions.

To show that  $T$  preserves vector addition, let  $v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{R}^3$  where  $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix}$

where:

$$T(v_1) = \begin{pmatrix} -3x_2 - 3x_3 \\ -4x_1 + 2x_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$T(v_2) = \begin{pmatrix} -3y_2 - 3y_3 \\ -4y_1 + 2y_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For the function  $T(v_1 + v_2)$ , we can substitute the according vectors  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , leaving us with,

$$\begin{aligned} T(v_1 + v_2) &= T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \\ x_3 + y_3 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3(x_2 + y_2) - 3(x_3 + y_3) \\ -4(x_1 + y_1) + 2(x_3 + y_3) \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $T(v_1) + T(v_2)$ , we substitute the vectors  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  to get

$$\begin{aligned} T(v_1) + T(v_2) &= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \\ x_3 + y_3 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} T(v_2) &= \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3y_2 - 3y_3 \\ -4y_1 + 2y_3 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} T(v_1) + T(v_2) &= \begin{pmatrix} -3x_2 - 3x_3 \\ -4x_1 + 2x_3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -3y_2 - 3y_3 \\ -4y_1 + 2y_3 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3x_2 - 3x_3 - 3y_2 - 3y_3 \\ -4x_1 + 2x_3 - 4y_1 + 2y_3 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3(x_2 + y_2) - 3(x_3 + y_3) \\ -4(x_1 + y_1) + 2(x_3 + y_3) \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $T(v_1 + v_2) = T(v_1) + T(v_2)$ , showing that  $T$  satisfies the vector addition condition.

To show that  $T$  preserves vector scalar multiplication, let  $\alpha$  be any arbitrary scalar value where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . By also using the vector  $v_1$  defined earlier we can multiply it with the scalar  $\alpha$  giving us

$$\begin{aligned} T(\alpha v_1) &= T\left(\alpha \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}\right), \\ &= T\begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha x_2 \\ \alpha x_3 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3\alpha x_2 - 3\alpha x_3 \\ -4\alpha x_1 + 2\alpha x_3 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying the scalar  $\alpha$  with the entire function  $T$  gives us,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha T(v_1) &= \alpha T\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &= \alpha \begin{pmatrix} -3x_2 - 3x_3 \\ -4x_1 + 2x_3 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3\alpha x_2 - 3\alpha x_3 \\ -4\alpha x_1 + 2\alpha x_3 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $T(\alpha v_1) = \alpha T(v_1)$ .

Thus, we can show that  $T$  is linear as  $T$  preserves the vector addition condition and preserves the scalar multiplication condition.

**Q2.**

Show that

$$S = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^4 : 4x_1 + 4x_2 - 9x_3 + 6x_4 = 0\}$$

is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

**Answer:**

To show that  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ , we must first show that  $S$  is a vector space of its own.

To do this, we must prove that  $S$  satisfies the axiom of the existence of a zero vector, the axiom of closure under scalar multiplication, and the axiom of closure under addition.

I) To test if  $S$  satisfies the **axiom of the existence of a zero vector**, consider the zero vector

$$v_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then,

$$4(0) + 4(0) - 9(0) + 6(0).$$

Since

$$4(0) + 4(0) - 9(0) + 6(0) = 0,$$

$v_0 \in S$  and therefore  $S$  satisfies the axiom of the existence of a zero vector.

II) To test if  $S$  satisfies the **axiom of closure under scalar multiplication**, let  $\alpha$  be a scalar multiple where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $v_1 \in S$  where:

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ then } 4x_1 + 4x_2 - 9x_3 + 6x_4 = 0.$$

Multiplying the vector  $v_1$  by  $\alpha$  gives us

$$\alpha v_1 = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha x_2 \\ \alpha x_3 \\ \alpha x_4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Such that

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha x_2 \\ \alpha x_3 \\ \alpha x_4 \end{pmatrix} &= 4\alpha x_1 + 4\alpha x_2 - 9\alpha x_3 + 6\alpha x_4, \\ &= \alpha(4x_1 + 4x_2 - 9x_3 + 6x_4), \\ &= \alpha \cdot 0, \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $S$  satisfies the axiom of closure under scalar multiplication.

III) To test if  $\mathcal{S}$  satisfies the **axiom of closure under addition**, let  $v_1, v_2 \in \mathcal{S}$  where:

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$4x_1 + 4x_2 - 9x_3 + 6x_4 = 0$$

and

$$4y_1 + 4y_2 - 9y_3 + 6y_4 = 0.$$

Consider  $v_1 + v_2$  where:

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 + v_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \\ x_3 + y_3 \\ x_4 + y_4 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &= 4(x_1 + y_1) + 4(x_2 + y_2) - 9(x_3 + y_3) + 6(x_4 + y_4), \\ &= 4x_1 + 4y_1 + 4x_2 + 4y_2 - 9x_3 - 9y_3 + 6x_4 + 6y_4, \\ &= (4x_1 + 4x_2 - 9x_3 + 6x_4) + (4y_1 + 4y_2 - 9y_3 + 6y_4), \\ &= 0 + 0, \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\mathcal{S}$  satisfies the axiom of closure under addition.

Since  $\mathcal{S}$  satisfies the axiom of the existence of a zero vector, the axiom of closure under scalar multiplication, and the axiom of closure under addition,  $\mathcal{S}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

**Q3.**

Let  $\mathbb{P}_n$  be the set of real polynomials of degree at most  $n$ . Show that

$$S = \{p \in \mathbb{P}_5 : p(6) = p(4)\}$$

is a subspace of  $\mathbb{P}_5$ .

**Answer:**

To show that  $S$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{P}_5$ , it must satisfy the three main axioms including the existence of a zero vector, closure under scalar multiplication, and closure under addition.

**I)** To test if  $S$  satisfies the axiom of the existence of a zero vector, let the polynomial  $z(x) = 0$  be the zero polynomial.

Thus, for any  $x$  value,

$$P(x) = P(6) = P(4) = 0.$$

Therefore,  $S$  satisfies the axiom of the existence of a zero vector.

**II)** To test if  $S$  satisfies the axiom of closure under scalar multiplication, let  $\alpha$  be a scalar multiple where  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$  and suppose that  $P$  is an arbitrary polynomial where  $P(x) = a_1x^5$ .

Multiplying the scalar multiple and the polynomial  $P$  gives us,

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha P(x) &= \alpha(a_1x^5), \\ &= x^5(\alpha a_1).\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $S$  satisfies the axiom of closure under scalar multiplication as  $x^5(\alpha \cdot a_1) \in \mathbb{P}_5$ .

**III)** To test if  $S$  satisfies the axiom of closure under addition, let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be two arbitrary polynomials such that  $P_1, P_2 \in S$ , where:

$$P_1(x) = a_1x^5$$

and

$$P_2(x) = a_2x^5.$$

Adding these two polynomials gives us

$$\begin{aligned}P_1(x) + P_2(x) &= a_1x^5 + a_2x^5, \\ &= x^5(a_1 + a_2).\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $S$  satisfies the axiom of closure under addition as  $x^5(a_1 + a_2) \in \mathbb{P}_5$ .

Therefore, from the proof in I, II and III,  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{P}_5$  as  $S$  satisfies the three main axioms including the existence of a zero vector, closure under scalar multiplication, and closure under addition

## Q4.

The air in a **80** cubic meter kitchen is initially clean, but when Laure burns her toast while making breakfast, smoke mixed with the room's air at a rate of **0.03** mg per second. An air conditioning system exchanges the mixture of air and smoke with air at a rate of **9** cubic metres per minute. Assume that the pollutant is mixed uniformly throughout the room and that burnt toast is taken outside after **72** seconds. Let  $S(t)$  be the amount of smoke in mg in the room at a time  $t$  (in seconds) after the toast first began to burn.

- Find a differential equation obeyed by  $S(t)$
- Find  $S(t)$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 72$  by solving the differential equation in (a) with an appropriate initial condition.
- What is the level of pollution in mg per cubic meter after **72** seconds?
- How long does it take for the level of pollution to fall to **0.008** mg per cubic meter after the toast is taken outside?

**Answer:**

- a) To find a differential equation obeyed by  $S(t)$ , we must consider the rate of change of the amount of smoke in the room's air.

Firstly, let

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS(t)}{dt} &= (\text{amount of smoke in}) - (\text{amount of smoke out}), \\ &= 0.03 - \frac{S(t)}{80} \cdot \frac{9}{60}, \\ &= 0.03 - \frac{S(t) \cdot 3}{1600}.\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the differential equation obeyed by  $S(t)$  is

$$\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = 0.03 - \frac{S(t) \cdot 3}{1600}.$$

- b) To solve the differential equation, we can rearrange our first order linear ODE in the form of

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + f(x) \cdot y = g(x).$$

This gives us,

$$\frac{dS(t)}{dt} + \frac{S(t) \cdot 3}{1600} = 0.03.$$

Consider the integrating factor  $e^{\int f(x)dx}$ . Substituting our  $f(x)$  and resolving the integration gives us

$$e^{\int \frac{3}{1600} dt} = e^{\frac{3t}{1600}}.$$

We then multiply the differential equation by the integrating factor, giving us:

$$e^{\frac{3t}{1600}} \cdot \frac{dS(t)}{dt} + e^{\frac{3t}{1600}} \cdot \frac{S(t) \cdot 3}{1600} = 0.03 \cdot e^{\frac{3t}{1600}}.$$

Using the product rule of differentiation, we get:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( e^{\frac{3t}{1600}} \cdot S(t) \right) = 0.03 \cdot e^{\frac{3t}{1600}}.$$

Since our goal is to solve for  $S(t)$ , we must eliminate  $\frac{d}{dt}$  by integrating both sides, giving us:

$$\int \frac{d}{dt} \left( e^{\frac{3t}{1600}} \cdot S(t) \right) dt = \int 0.03 \cdot e^{\frac{3t}{1600}} dt,$$

$$e^{\frac{3t}{1600}} \cdot S(t) = 16 \cdot e^{\frac{3t}{1600}} + C \text{ (where } C \in \mathbb{R} \text{)}.$$

Dividing both sides by  $e^{\frac{3t}{1600}}$  gives us:

$$S(t) = 16 + C \cdot e^{-\frac{3t}{1600}}.$$

Since there is initially no smoke in the air, we can conclude that  $S(t) = 0$  and  $t = 0$ . Substituting these values into the equation allows us to find  $C$ .

$$S(t) = 16 + C \cdot e^{-\frac{3t}{1600}},$$

$$0 = 16 + C \cdot e^{-\frac{3(0)}{1600}},$$

$$C = -16.$$

Substituting  $C$  gives us:

$$S(t) = 16 - 16 \cdot e^{-\frac{3t}{1600}} \text{ (for } 0 \leq t \leq 72 \text{)}.$$

- c) The level of pollution after 72 seconds can be found by substituting  $t$  as 72 into  $S(t)$  and dividing it by the total volume of the room,  $80 \text{ m}^3$ .

Substituting  $t$  as 72 into  $S(t)$  gives us:

$$S(72) = 16 - 16 \cdot e^{-\frac{3(72)}{1600}},$$

$$\approx 2.020545413 \text{ mg (10 s.f.)}.$$

Dividing this value by the total volume of the room,  $80 \text{ m}^3$ , gives us

$$\frac{2.020545413}{80} \approx 0.02525681766 \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{m}^3} \text{ (10 s.f.)}.$$

- d) When the toast is taken outside of the kitchen, there is no longer smoke production, and we require the use of a new differential equation as the previous only considers  $0 \leq t \leq 72$ . This can be denoted by the equation

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS(t)}{dt} &= -(\text{amount of smoke out}), \\ &= -\frac{S(t) \cdot 3}{1600}.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{d * S(t)}{S(t)} = -\frac{3}{1600} dt.$$

By first rearranging the elements of this equation and once again integrating both sides of the equation, we can determine the value of  $S(t)$ , giving us:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d * S(t)}{S(t)} &= -\frac{3}{1600} \cdot dt, \\ dt &= -\frac{d \cdot S(t) \cdot 1600}{S(t) \cdot 3}, \\ \int dt &= \int -\frac{1600}{S(t) \cdot 3} \cdot d \cdot S(t), \\ t &= -\frac{1600}{3} \cdot \ln(S(t)) + C \text{ (where } C \in \mathbb{R}\text{)}.\end{aligned}$$

We can determine the constant  $C$  by substituting  $S(t) = 0.02525681766 \frac{mg}{m^3}$  (from part (c)) and  $t = 0$ , giving us:

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= -\frac{1600}{3} \cdot \ln(0.02525681766) + C, \\ C &= \frac{1600}{3} \cdot \ln(0.02525681766).\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the full equation of is

$$t = -\frac{1600}{3} \cdot \ln(S(t)) + \frac{1600}{3} \cdot \ln(0.02525681766).$$

Then, we can find the amount of time it takes for the level of pollution to fall to  $0.008 \frac{mg}{m^3}$  by substituting  $S(t) = 0.008$ , resulting in:

$$\begin{aligned}t &= -\frac{1600}{3} \cdot \ln(0.008) + \frac{1600}{3} \cdot \ln(0.02525681766), \\ &= 613.1491114 \text{ seconds (10 s. f.)}, \\ &\approx 613 \text{ seconds}.\end{aligned}$$

Hence, it takes approximately 613 seconds for the pollution levels in to fall to  $0.008 \frac{mg}{m^3}$ .