

2017 Fall - Math 355 - Homework 6

Due: Friday, October 13 *in class*.¹

Unless specified otherwise, you must always show your work and justify your answers.

- (1) Let $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a linear map.
- (a) Discuss all possible values of $\dim \ker f, \dim \operatorname{Im} f$.
 - (b) For each value you found, exhibit a concrete example.
 - (c) For each example, describe $\operatorname{Im} f$ and find a basis for it.
 - (d) For each example, describe $\ker f$ and find a basis for it.
- (2) If A is a matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

we define the corresponding linear map

$$f_A: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$
$$f_A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} xa_1 + yb_1 + zc_1 \\ xa_2 + yb_2 + zc_2 \\ xa_3 + yb_3 + zc_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Find A such that $\ker f_A = \operatorname{Span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$.
- (b) Find B such that $\operatorname{Im} f_B = \operatorname{Span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$.
- (c) Find C such that $f_C(\vec{e}_1), f_C(\vec{e}_3)$ are linearly dependent.
- (3) Let $\phi: V \rightarrow V$ be a linear map.
- (a) Is it always true that $(\ker \phi) \cap (\operatorname{Im} \phi) = \{\vec{0}\}$? Why?
 - (b) We know that $\dim V = \dim \ker \phi + \dim \operatorname{Im} \phi$. Is it also always true that $V = (\ker \phi) + (\operatorname{Im} \phi)$? Why?

For this last part, recall that if $U, W < V$ are subspaces, we define $U + W$ to be their *sum*, this means

$$\begin{aligned} U + W &= \{\vec{v} \in V \mid \exists \vec{u} \in U, \vec{w} \in W, \vec{v} = \vec{u} + \vec{w}\} \\ &= \{\vec{u} + \vec{w} \mid \vec{u} \in U, \vec{w} \in W\} \end{aligned}$$

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