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Assignment #5

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For each Problem, include the statement of the problem. Leave a blank line. At the beginning of the next line, write **Solution** or **Proof** – as appropriate.

1. Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space and let  $A, B, C, D \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ . Assume that  $A + B$  and  $A - B$  are invertible. Show that there exist  $X, Y$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} AX + BY &= C \\ BX + AY &= D. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Adding the two equations together, and using the property that  $(A + B)^{-1}$  exists, we get

$$\begin{aligned} AX + BY + BX + AY &= C + D \\ \iff A(X + Y) + B(X + Y) &= C + D \\ \iff (A + B)(X + Y) &= C + D \\ \iff (A + B)^{-1}(A + B)(X + Y) &= (A + B)^{-1}(C + D) \\ \iff X + Y &= (A + B)^{-1}(C + D). \end{aligned}$$

Subtracting the two equations from each other and using the property that  $(A - B)^{-1}$  exists, we get

$$\begin{aligned} AX + BY - BX - AY &= C - D \\ \iff AX - AY - BX + BY &= C - D \\ \iff AX - AY - (BX - BY) &= C - D \\ \iff A(X - Y) - B(X - Y) &= C - D \\ \iff (A - B)(X - Y) &= C - D \\ \iff (A - B)^{-1}(A - B)(X - Y) &= (A - B)^{-1}(C - D) \\ \iff X - Y &= (A - B)^{-1}(C - D). \end{aligned}$$

Adding the results from each system together,

$$\begin{aligned} X + Y + X - Y &= (A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + (A - B)^{-1}(C - D) \\ \iff 2X &= (A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + (A - B)^{-1}(C - D) \\ \iff X &= \frac{(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + (A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

From our first system of equations,

$$\begin{aligned}
 X + Y &= (A + B)^{-1}(C + D) \\
 \iff Y &= (A + B)^{-1}(C + D) - X \\
 \iff Y &= (A + B)^{-1}(C + D) - \frac{(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + (A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \\
 \iff Y &= \frac{2(A + B)^{-1}(C + D)}{2} + \frac{-(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) - (A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \\
 \iff Y &= \frac{2(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) - (A + B)^{-1}(C + D) - (A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \\
 \iff Y &= \frac{(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) - (A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Meanwhile, back at the ranch, we can write  $C$  as

$$\begin{aligned}
 C &= \left[ \frac{(C + D) + (C - D)}{2} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \frac{(A + B)(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + (A - B)(A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \frac{A(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + B(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + A(A - B)^{-1}(C - D) - B(A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \frac{A(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + A(A - B)^{-1}(C - D) + B(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) - B(A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \right] \\
 &= A \left[ \frac{(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + (A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \right] + B \left[ \frac{(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) - (A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \right] \\
 &= AX + BY.
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can write  $D$  as

$$\begin{aligned}
 D &= \left[ \frac{(C + D) - (C - D)}{2} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \frac{(A + B)(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) - (A - B)(A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \frac{(A + B)(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + (B - A)(A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \frac{B(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + A(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + B(A - B)^{-1}(C - D) - A(A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \frac{B(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + B(A - B)^{-1}(C - D) + A(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) - A(A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \right] \\
 &= B \left[ \frac{(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) + (A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \right] + A \left[ \frac{(A + B)^{-1}(C + D) - (A - B)^{-1}(C - D)}{2} \right] \\
 &= BX + AY.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $AX + BY = C$  and  $BX + AY = D$  have been shown.  $\square$

2. Show that if  $A \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  satisfying  $A^2 - A + I = 0$ , then  $A$  is invertible.

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 - A + I = 0 &\iff I = A - A^2 \\ &\iff I = A(I - A) \\ &\iff I = (I - A)A \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $A$  is invertible and  $A^{-1} = I - A$ . □

3. Assume  $V$  is a finite-dimensional vector space with  $S, T, U \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ . Show that if  $STU = I$  then  $T$  is invertible and  $T^{-1} = US$

*Proof.* Utilizing that  $AA^{-1} = I \iff A^{-1}A = I$ , it can be shown directly that

$$STU = I \iff S(TU) = I \iff (TU)S = I \iff T(US) = I \iff T^{-1} = US.$$

□

4. Let  $V$  be a 2-dimensional vector space and let  $A \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  be invertible. Show that there is a polynomial  $p$  so that  $A^{-1} = p(A)$ .

Let matrix  $A$  be of the form

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Then the characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is

$$A^2 - \text{Tr}(A)A + \det(A)A^0 = 0$$

Simplifying and solving for  $A^{-1}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 - \text{tr}(A)A + \det(A)A^0 &= 0 \\ \iff A^2 - (a+d)A + (ad-bc)A^0 &= 0 \\ \iff A^2A^{-1} - (a+d)AA^{-1} + (ad-bc)A^0A^{-1} &= 0A^{-1} \\ \iff A - (a+d)I_2 + (ad-bc)A^{-1} &= 0 \\ \iff (ad-bc)A^{-1} &= (a+d)I_2 - A \\ \iff A^{-1} &= \frac{(a+d)I_2}{ad-bc} - \frac{A}{ad-bc} \\ \iff A^{-1} &= A^0 \frac{a+d}{ad-bc} - A \frac{1}{ad-bc} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$A^{-1} = p(A) = A^0 \frac{a+d}{ad-bc} - A \frac{1}{ad-bc}$$

5. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be finite-dimensional vector spaces. Fix  $v \in V$ . Define

$$E = \{T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W) : Tv = 0\}.$$

- (a) Show that  $E$  is a subspace of  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ .
- (b) Suppose  $v \neq 0$ . What is  $\dim E$ ?

6. Let  $V = \mathbf{R}^{2,2}$  be the vector space of  $2 \times 2$  matrices with the usual addition and scalar multiplication of matrices. Let  $W = \mathcal{P}_3(\mathbf{R})$  be the vector space of polynomials of degree less than or equal to three. Prove that  $V$  and  $W$  are isomorphic vector spaces.

*Proof.* Let  $B$  be a basis for  $V$  such that

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Then let  $\beta$  be a basis for  $W$  such that

$$\beta = \{1, x, x^2, x^3\}.$$

Then  $\dim V = 4$  and  $\dim W = 4$ . Since  $\dim V = \dim W$ , then  $V$  is isomorphic to  $W$  (by 3.59, page 82).  $\square$

7. Let  $V$  be a real vector space.  $V^4 = V \times V \times V \times V$ . Prove that  $V^4$  and  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^4, V)$  are isomorphic vector spaces.

*Proof.* Define a map  $\Phi$  as

$$\Phi : V^4 \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^4, V)$$

$$\Phi(v) = T_v : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow V$$

$$\text{Where } T_v(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = x_1v_1 + x_2v_2 + x_3v_3 + x_4v_4$$

with  $v = (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) \in V^4$

Then there is an inverse map  $\phi$  so that  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^4, V)$ ,

$$\phi : \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^4, V) \rightarrow V^4$$

$$\phi(T) = (T(e_1), T(e_2), T(e_3), T(e_4))$$

With  $e_i$  denoting the standard basis elements for  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

Next we will show the composition of functions  $\Phi \circ \phi$  and  $\phi \circ \Phi$  are the identity.

$$\begin{aligned} (\Phi \circ \phi)(T) \overbrace{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)}^{\in \mathbb{R}^4} &= \Phi \overbrace{(T(e_1), T(e_2), T(e_3), T(e_4))}^{\in V^4} (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \\ &= x_1T(e_1) + x_2T(e_2) + x_3T(e_3) + x_4T(e_4) \\ &= T(x_1e_1 + x_2e_2 + x_3e_3 + x_4e_4) \\ &= T(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \end{aligned}$$

For the other direction, we will let  $v = (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) \in V^4$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} (\phi \circ \Phi) \overbrace{(v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4)}^{\in V^4} &= (\Phi(v)(e_1), \Phi(v)(e_2), \Phi(v)(e_3), \Phi(v)(e_4)) \\ &= (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) \end{aligned}$$

What remains to show is that  $\Phi$  or  $\phi$  is a homomorphism. Showing either case will result in an isomorphism based on the compositions and inverses shown above. So, for some scalars  $a, b$  and vectors  $v, w \in V^4$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(av + bw)(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) &= \Phi(a(v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) + b(w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4))(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \\ &= \Phi(av_1 + bw_1, av_2 + bw_2, av_3 + bw_3, av_4 + bw_4)(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \\ &= x_1av_1 + x_1bw_1 + x_2av_2 + x_2bw_2 + x_3av_3 + x_3bw_3 + x_4av_4 + x_4bw_4 \\ &= a(x_1v_1 + x_2v_2 + x_3v_3 + x_4v_4) + b(x_1v_1 + x_2v_2 + x_3v_3 + x_4v_4) \\ &= a\Phi(v)(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) + b\Phi(w)(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $V^4$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^4, V)$ . □