

Assignment 11

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Abstract—This document demonstrate how to find the dimension of the subspace.

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1 PROBLEM

Let F be a subfield of the complex numbers. We define n linear functionals on $F^n (n \geq 2)$ by

$$f_k(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{j=1}^n (k-j)x_j, 1 \leq k \leq n. \quad (1.0.1)$$

What is the dimension of the subspace annihilated by f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n ?

2 SOLUTION

Given	<p>F be a subfield of the complex numbers</p> <p>Definition of n linear functionals on $F^n (n \geq 2)$ by</p> $f_k(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{j=1}^n (k-j)x_j; \quad 1 \leq k \leq n$
To find	<p>The dimension of the subspace annihilated by f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n</p>
f_k	$f_k(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{j=1}^n (k-j)x_j$ $f_k(x_1, \dots, x_n) = k \sum_{j=1}^n x_j - \sum_{j=1}^n jx_j$ <p>All f_k are linear combinations of the two linear functionals</p>

Vector

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_k(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \sum_{j=1}^n (k-j)x_j \\
 \Rightarrow f_1(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= 0.x_1 - x_2 - \dots - (n-1)x_n \\
 f_2(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= x_1 + 0.x_2 - 1.x_3 - \dots - (n-2)x_n \\
 &\vdots \\
 f_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= (n-1)x_1 + (n-2).x_2 + \dots + (n-2)x_{n-1} + 0.x_n
 \end{aligned}$$

Dimension of subspace annihilated by f_i 's is the dimension of the solution space of the system

$$AX = 0$$

where the i^{th} row is defined by

$$A_i = (i-1, i-2, \dots, i-n)$$

$$1 \leq i \leq n$$

Matrix

$$AX = 0$$

where the i^{th} row is defined by

$$A_i = (i-1, i-2, \dots, i-n)$$

$$1 \leq i \leq n$$

For the $n = 4$, matrix A looks like

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

For $i \geq 3$, perform the following elementary operations of n linear functionals

$$(a)A_i \longrightarrow (1-i)A_2 + A_i$$

$$A_i = (0, i-2, 2(i-2), 3(i-2), \dots, (n-1)(i-2))$$

$$(b)A_i \longrightarrow \frac{1}{i-2}A_i$$

$$A_i = -A_1$$

$$(c)A_i \longrightarrow A_i + A_1$$

$$A_i = 0$$

Since, A_1 and A_2 are linearly independent

Thus, the dimension of the subspace annihilated = $n - 2$