

MATH 131—HOMEWORK 5

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“ \trianglelefteq ” := “Subspace”

Q1 Suppose U and W are both five-dimensional subspaces of \mathbb{R}^9 . Prove that $U \cap W \neq \{0\}$.

Proof. Want to show $U \cap W \neq \{0\}$.

$\forall V \trianglelefteq \mathbb{R}^9: \forall W \trianglelefteq \mathbb{R}^9:$

$V + W \trianglelefteq \mathbb{R}^9$ (by Proposition 3 in 1C) $\Rightarrow \dim V + W \leq 9$ (by Proposition 1 in 2C)

$\Rightarrow 9 \geq \dim V + W = \dim V + \dim W - \dim V \cap W$ (by Theorem 2 in 2C)

$\Rightarrow 9 \geq \dim V + W = 5 + 5 - \dim V \cap W$

$\Rightarrow 9 \geq \dim V + W = 10 - \dim V \cap W$ (0)

Suppose, $U \cap W = \{0\}$.

$\Rightarrow \dim U \cap W = \dim \{0\}$ (1)

Check the dependence test equation $a0 = 0$,

by the zero factors theorem $\exists a \in \mathbb{R} : a \neq 0$.

$\Rightarrow 0$ the only element of $\{0\}$ is not linearly independent.

So, the number of linearly independent vectors in $\{0\}$ is 0.

Therefore, \emptyset is the set that contains all of the linearly independent vectors in $\{0\}$.

So, \emptyset is linearly independent and $\text{Span } \emptyset = \{0\}$ (by Definition 2 in 2A)

It follows that \emptyset is a basis for $\{0\}$ (by Definition 1 in 2B)

$\Rightarrow \dim \{0\} = |\emptyset| = 0$ (by Definition 1 in 2C)

(1) $\Rightarrow \dim U \cap W = 0$.

(0) $\Rightarrow 9 \geq \dim V + W = 10 - \dim V \cap W = 10 - 0 = 10$

$\Rightarrow 9 \geq 10 \Rightarrow \text{False}$

By, contradiction to our assumption $U \cap W \neq \{0\}$

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Q2 Let $U = \{p \in P_4(\mathbb{R}) : p''(4) = 0\}$.

(a) Show that U is a subspace of $P_4(\mathbb{R})$.

(b) Find a basis of U .

(c) Extend the basis in part (b) to a basis of $P_4(\mathbb{R})$.

Proof. Want to show $U \trianglelefteq P_4(\mathbb{R})$

$\forall p, q \in U : \forall x \in \mathbb{R} :$

$(p + q)(x) = p(x) + q(x)$

$\Rightarrow (p + q)''(4) = ((p(4) + q(4)))' = (p'(4) + q'(4))' = p''(4) + q''(4) = 0 + 0 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (p + q)''(x) \in U$ (0)

$\forall r \in U : \forall x, a \in \mathbb{R} :$

$(ar)(x) = a(r(x))$

$\Rightarrow (ar)''(4) = ((a(r(4))))' = (a(r'(4)))' = a(r''(4)) = a0 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (ar)(x) \in U$ (1)

(0) and (1) $\Rightarrow U$ is closed under vector addition and scalar multiplication.

$U \trianglelefteq P_4(\mathbb{R})$

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For part (b): $\forall p(t) \in P_4(\mathbb{R}) = \text{Span}(1, t, t^2, t^3, t^4) : \exists a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \in \mathbb{R} :$

$$p(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_3 t^3 + a_4 t^4$$

$$\Rightarrow p'(t) = a_1 + 2a_2 t + 3a_3 t^2 + 4a_4 t^3$$

$$\Rightarrow p''(t) = 2a_2 + 6a_3 t + 12a_4 t^2$$

If $p(t) \in U$, then $p''(4) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow p''(4) = 2a_2 + 6a_3(4) + 12a_4(4)^2 = 2a_2 + 24a_3 + 192a_4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_2 = -12a_3 - 96a_4$$

$$\text{Let } p(t) \in U \Rightarrow p(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + (-12a_3 - 96a_4)t^2 + a_3 t^3 + a_4 t^4$$

If $a_0 = 1$ and $a_1 = a_3 = a_4 = 0$, then $p_0(t) = 1$.

If $a_1 = 1$ and $a_0 = a_3 = a_4 = 0$, then $p_1(t) = t$.

If $a_3 = 1$ and $a_0 = a_1 = a_4 = 0$, then $p_3(t) = -12t^2 + t^3$.

If $a_4 = 1$ and $a_0 = a_1 = a_3 = 0$, then $p_4(t) = -96t^2 + t^4$.

Check, if $B = \{p_0, p_1, p_3, p_4\}$ is linearly independent by setting up the dependence test equation:

$$b_0 \cdot 1 + b_1 t + b_3(-12t^2 + t^3) + b_4(-96t^2 + t^4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b_0 + b_1 t - 12b_3 t^2 + b_3 t^3 - 96b_4 t^2 + b_4 t^4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b_0 + b_1 t - 12b_3 t^2 - 96b_4 t^2 + b_3 t^3 + b_4 t^4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b_0 + b_1 t + (-12b_3 - 96b_4)t^2 + b_3 t^3 + b_4 t^4 = 0$$

$$\{1, t, t^2, t^3, t^4\} \text{ is linearly independent} \Rightarrow b_0 = b_1 = b_3 = b_4 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow B$ is linearly independent

Since, we got the set B by expressing the dependent variable for an arbitrary vector in U in terms of free variables, the set B is still a spanning set of U .

So, $B = \{1, t, -12t^2 + t^3, -96t^2 + t^4\}$ is a basis of U (by Definition 1 in 2B)

For part (c):

Let $B_0 = (1, t, -12t^2 + t^3, -96t^2 + t^4, 1, t, t^2, t^3, t^4)$ an ordered list:

We've seen the first 4 are already non-zero and linearly independent,

For the fifth, is just equal to the first, so we delete it.

$$\Rightarrow B_1 = (1, t, -12t^2 + t^3, -96t^2 + t^4, t, t^2, t^3, t^4)$$

For the fifth in B_1 , is just equal to the second, so we delete it.

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = (1, t, -12t^2 + t^3, -96t^2 + t^4, t^2, t^3, t^4)$$

Check the dependence test equation:

$$d_1 \cdot 1 + d_2 t + d_3(-12t^2 + t^3) + d_4(-96t^2 + t^4) + d_5 t^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow d_1 + d_2 t - 12d_3 t^2 + d_3 t^3 - 96d_4 t^2 + d_4 t^4 + d_5 t^2 = 0$$

$$d_1 + d_2 t - 12d_3 t^2 - 96d_4 t^2 + d_5 t^2 + d_3 t^3 + d_4 t^4 = 0$$

$$d_1 + d_2 t + (-12d_3 - 96d_4 + d_5)t^2 + d_3 t^3 + d_4 t^4 = 0$$

$$\{1, t, t^2, t^3, t^4\} \text{ is linearly independent} \Rightarrow d_1 = d_2 = d_3 = d_4 = 0 \text{ and } -12d_3 - 96d_4 + d_5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -12d_3 - 96d_4 + d_5 = -12(0) - 96(0) + d_5 = 0 + 0 + d_5 = d_5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow B_3 = \{1, t, -12t^2 + t^3, -96t^2 + t^4, t^2\} \text{ is linearly independent}$$

Since $|B_3| = 5 = \dim P_4(\mathbb{R})$, B_3 is a basis of $P_4(\mathbb{R})$ (by Proposition 2 in 2C).

Q3 \mathbb{C}^n can be thought of as \mathbb{C} -vector space and \mathbb{R} -vector space. Find the bases of \mathbb{C}^n over \mathbb{C} and \mathbb{R} respectively. Compute $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}^n$ and $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}^n$.

If we think about \mathbb{C}^n as a \mathbb{C} -vector space $\mathbb{C}^n = \{(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) | \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}\}$. It's easy to see that $B = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ the standard basis, is a basis for \mathbb{C}^n . B is linearly independent by construction. And, since $\text{Span } B = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i e_i, \beta_i \in \mathbb{C}$. Every vector in \mathbb{C}^n is in $\text{Span } B$, because every possible complex number gets sent to every possible entry in every vector in \mathbb{C}^n . So B is a linearly independent, spanning set of \mathbb{C}^n . So B is a basis of \mathbb{C}^n . Therefore, $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}^n = |B| = n$.

If we think about \mathbb{C}^n as a \mathbb{R} -vector space $\mathbb{C}^n = \{(1 + b_1 i, \dots, a_n + b_n i) | a_j, b_j \in \mathbb{R}\}$. Let $B^* = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\} \cup \{ie_1, \dots, ie_n\}$ where the left side of the union is the standard basis, and the right hand side is every element of the standard basis times i , we want to show it is a basis for \mathbb{C}^n . B is linearly independent by construction, so we need only check whether we should keep the rest of the elements. Since, ie_j is the vector with i in the j th place, and zeros elsewhere, the only candidate where a dependency would show up is e_j . Now, recall $i^2 = -1$ has no solutions in \mathbb{R} , it follows i is not a real number. So, $ie_j \neq ke_j$ some $k \in \mathbb{R}$. So, every ie_j is independent from vectors in B . All that's left to check is that the right hand side of the union is linearly independent, it is by construction, since it inherits its independence from B . So, B^* is linearly independent. Now we can express B^* as $B^* = \{e_1, \dots, e_n, ie_{n+1}, \dots, ie_{2n}\}$. And, since $\text{Span } B^* = \sum_{j=1}^{2n} a_j e_j + b_j ie_j = \sum_{j=1}^{2n} (a_j + b_j i) e_j, a_j, b_j \in \mathbb{R}$. Every vector in \mathbb{C}^n is in $\text{Span } B$, because every possible real number gets sent to every possible complex entry in every vector in \mathbb{C}^n . So B is a linearly independent, spanning set of \mathbb{C}^n . So B^* is a basis of \mathbb{C}^n . Therefore, $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}^n = |B^*| = 2n$.

Q4 Suppose $b, c \in \mathbb{R}$. Define $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ by

$$T(x, y, z) = (2x - 4y + 2z + b, 6x + cxyz)$$

Show that T is linear if and only if $b = c = 0$.

Proof. Want to show that T is linear if and only if $b = c = 0$.

(\Rightarrow) Assume T is linear

$$\forall (s_1, s_2, s_3), (t_1, t_2, t_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \forall r \in \mathbb{R} :$$

$$\Rightarrow T((s_1, s_2, s_3) + (t_1, t_2, t_3)) = T(s_1, s_2, s_3) + T(t_1, t_2, t_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(s_1 + t_1, s_2 + t_2, s_3 + t_3) = (2(s_1 + t_1) - 4(s_2 + t_2) + 2(s_3 + t_3) + b, 6(s_1 + s_2) + c(s_1 + t_1)(s_2 + t_2)(s_3 + t_3))$$

$$\Rightarrow T(s_1, s_2, s_3) = (2s_1 - 4s_2 + 2s_3 + b, 6s_1 + cs_1s_2s_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(t_1, t_2, t_3) = (2t_1 - 4t_2 + 2t_3 + b, 6t_1 + ct_1t_2t_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(s_1, s_2, s_3) + T(t_1, t_2, t_3) = (2(s_1 + t_1) - 4(s_2 + t_2) + 2(s_3 + t_3) + 2b, 6(s_1 + s_2) + c(s_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2t_3))$$

\Rightarrow

$$(2(s_1 + t_1) - 4(s_2 + t_2) + 2(s_3 + t_3) + b, 6(s_1 + s_2) + c(s_1 + t_1)(s_2 + t_2)(s_3 + t_3)) =$$

$$(2(s_1 + t_1) - 4(s_2 + t_2) + 2(s_3 + t_3) + 2b, 6(s_1 + s_2) + c(s_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2t_3))$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 2b \text{ and } c(s_1 + t_1)(s_2 + t_2)(s_3 + t_3) = c(s_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2t_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 0$$

$$c(s_1 + t_1)(s_2 + t_2)(s_3 + t_3) = c(s_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2t_3) \Rightarrow c((s_1 + t_1)(s_2 + t_2)(s_3 + t_3) - (s_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2t_3)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (s_1 + t_1)(s_2 + t_2)(s_3 + t_3) - (s_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2t_3) = 0 \text{ or } c = 0$$

\Rightarrow

$$(s_1 + t_1)(s_2 + t_2)(s_3 + t_3) - (s_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2t_3) =$$

$$(s_1s_2 + 2t_1s_2 + t_1t_2)(s_3 + t_3) - (s_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2t_3) =$$

$$(s_1s_2s_3 + 2t_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2s_3) + (s_1s_2t_3 + 2t_1s_2t_3 + t_1t_2t_3) - (s_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2t_3) =$$

$$(\cancel{s_1s_2s_3} + 2t_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2s_3) + (s_1s_2t_3 + 2t_1s_2t_3 + \cancel{t_1t_2t_3}) - (\cancel{s_1s_2s_3} + \cancel{t_1t_2t_3}) =$$

$$2t_1s_2s_3 + t_1t_2s_3 + s_1s_2t_3 + 2t_1s_2t_3 = 0$$

Since, T is a map it must be defined for all elements of its domain. So, for T to be linear on \mathbb{R}^3 there must be no restriction on (s_1, s_2, s_3) and (t_1, t_2, t_3) . So, c must be 0. And we already have that $b = 0$. So, $b = c = 0$.

With that condition on T verify the second linearity property:

$$T(r(s_1, s_2, s_3)) = T(rs_1, rs_2, rs_3) = (2rs_1 - 4rs_2 + 2rs_3, 6rs_1)$$

and

$$rT(s_1, s_2, s_3) = r(2s_1 - 4s_2 + 2s_3, 6s_1) = (r(2s_1 - 4s_2 + 2s_3), r6s_1) = (2rs_1 - 4rs_2 + 2rs_3, 6rs_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(r(s_1, s_2, s_3)) = rT(s_1, s_2, s_3) \quad (0)$$

(\Leftarrow) Assume $b = c = 0$
 $\Rightarrow T(x, y, z) = (2x - 4y + 2z, 6x)$
 The second linearity property holds by equation (0) when $b = c = 0$.
 $T(s_1, s_2, s_3) + T(t_1, t_2, t_3) =$
 $(2s_1 - 4s_2 + 2s_3, 6s_1) + (2t_1 - 4t_2 + 2t_3, 6t_1) =$
 $(2(s_1 + t_1) - 4(s_2 + t_2) + 2(s_3 + t_3), 6(s_1 + s_2)) =$
 $T(s_1 + t_1, s_2 + t_2, s_3 + t_3) =$
 $T((s_1, s_2, s_3) + (t_1, t_2, t_3))$
 So, T is linear if and only if $b = c = 0$. ■

Q5 Suppose $T \in T(V, W)$ and v_1, \dots, v_m is a list of vectors in V such that $T(v_1), \dots, T(v_m)$ is a linearly independent list in W . Prove or give a counterexample: v_1, \dots, v_m is linearly independent.

Proof. Want to show if $T \in T(V, W)$ and for v_1, \dots, v_m a list of vectors in V , $T(v_1), \dots, T(v_m)$ is a linearly independent list of vectors in W , then v_1, \dots, v_m is linearly independent.
 $\forall T \in T(V, W) : \exists a_i \in \mathbb{F} :$
 For some list v_1, \dots, v_m of vectors in V , $T(v_1), \dots, T(v_m)$ is a linearly independent list of vectors in W
 $\Rightarrow (a_1 T(v_1) + \dots + a_m T(v_m) = 0 \Rightarrow \forall i : a_i = 0)$
 $T \in T(V, W) \Rightarrow T$ is linear \Rightarrow
 $a_1 T(v_1) + \dots + a_m T(v_m) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i T(v_i) = \sum_{i=1}^m T(a_i v_i) = T(\sum_{i=1}^m a_i v_i) = 0$
 $\forall v \in V : T(v) = 0 \Rightarrow T(v) = 0T(v) = T(0v) = T(0) = 0 \Rightarrow v = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^m a_i v_i = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m = 0$
 Recall $\forall i : a_i = 0 \Rightarrow v_1, \dots, v_m$ is linearly independent. ■

Q6 Give an example of a function $\phi : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\phi(av) = a\phi(v)$$

for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and all $v \in \mathbb{R}^2$ but ϕ is not linear.

$(x, y) \mapsto \sqrt{xy}$
 $a(x, y) = (ax, ay) \mapsto \sqrt{axay} = \sqrt{a^2xy} = a\sqrt{xy}$
 Consider $(1, 1) \mapsto 1$ and $(4, 1) \mapsto 2$,
 $(1, 1) + (4, 1) = (5, 2) \mapsto \sqrt{10}$
 $1 + 2 = 3 = \sqrt{10} \Rightarrow 3^2 = 9 = 10 \Rightarrow \text{false}$
 $\Rightarrow (x, y) \mapsto \sqrt{xy}$ is not linear.