

1. (§3.A #7) Show that every linear map from a 1-dimensional vector space to itself is multiplication by some scalar. More precisely, prove that if  $\dim(V) = 1$  and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ , then there exists a  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $Tv = \lambda v$  for all  $v \in V$ .

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be a one dimensional vector space,  $\beta = \{v\}$  be its basis, and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ . If  $u \in V$  then  $u = \alpha v$  for some  $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$ . Since  $T : V \rightarrow V$ , if  $u \in V$  then

$$Tv = \lambda v \quad \text{for some} \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{F}$$

and

$$Tu = T(\alpha v) = \alpha T(v) = \alpha(\lambda v).$$

□

2. (§3.B # 9) Suppose that  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is injective and  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is linearly independent in  $V$ . Prove that  $Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n$  is linearly independent in  $W$ .

*Proof.* Suppose for the sake of contradiction that  $Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n$  is linearly dependent. Hence there exists  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  not all zero such that

$$0 = a_1Tv_1 + \dots + a_nTv_n = T(a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n).$$

Since  $T$  is injective, we have that  $\text{null}(T) = \{0\}$  and

$$a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n = 0$$

and we have a contradiction.

□

3. (§3.B # 10) Suppose that  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  spans  $V$  and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . Prove that  $Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n$  spans  $\text{ran}(T)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  spans  $V$ , if  $v \in V$  then

$$v = b_1v_1 + \dots + b_nv_n \quad \text{for some} \quad b_1, \dots, b_n \in \mathbb{F}.$$

Hence, if  $w \in \text{ran}(T)$  then  $w = T\hat{v}$  for some  $\hat{v} \in V$  and

$$w = T\hat{v} = a_1Tv_1 + \dots + a_nTv_n$$

for some  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{F}$ . Thus  $\{Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n\}$  spans  $\text{ran}(T)$ .

□

4. (§3.B #12) Suppose that  $V$  is finite dimensional and that  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . Prove that there exists a subspace  $U$  of  $V$  such that  $U \cap \text{null}(T) = \{0\}$  and  $\text{ran}(T) = \{Tu : u \in U\}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\text{null}(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$  then it has some basis  $\beta = \{u_1, \dots, u_p\}$ . Expand the basis  $\beta$  to a basis  $\gamma = \{v_1, \dots, v_p, u_1, \dots, u_n\}$  of  $V$ . Let  $U = \text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ . Since  $\gamma$  is linearly independent we have that  $U \cap \text{null}(T) = \{0\}$ . Suppose that  $v \in V$ , since  $\gamma$  spans  $V$  we have that

$$v = a_1v_1 + \dots + a_pv_p + b_1u_1 + \dots + b_nu_n.$$

Thus

$$Tv = a_1Tv_1 + \dots + a_pTv_p + b_1Tu_1 + \dots + b_nTu_n = 0 + b_1Tu_1 + \dots + b_nTu_n = T(b_1u_1 + \dots + b_nu_n).$$

Clearly,  $\text{ran}(T) = \{Tu : u \in U\}$ . □

5. (§3.D # 8) Suppose  $V$  is finite dimensional and  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is a surjective linear map of  $V$  onto  $W$ . Prove that there is a subspace  $U$  of  $V$  such that  $T|_U$  is an isomorphism of  $U$  onto  $W$ . (Here  $T|_U$  means the function  $T$  restricted to  $U$ . In other words,  $T|_U$  is the function whose domain is  $U$ , with  $T|_U(u) = T(u)$  for every  $u \in U$ .)

*Proof.* By the above problem there exists a subspace  $U$  such that  $U \cap \text{null}(T) = \{0\}$  and that  $\text{ran}(T) = \{Tu : u \in U\}$ . By surjectivity of  $T$  we have that  $\text{ran}(T) = W$  and thus  $W = \{Tu : u \in U\}$ . Clearly  $T|_U : U \rightarrow W$  is surjective. We must check injectivity of  $T|_U$ . Suppose that  $T|_U$  is not injective, then there exists a  $u \in U$  such that  $T|_U(u) = 0$ . But

$$T|_U(u) = T(u) = 0$$

and therefore  $u \in \text{null}(T)$ . This is a contradiction on the definition of  $U$ . Hence  $T|_U$  is injective and surjective from  $U$  onto  $W$  and thus is a linear isomorphism from  $U$  onto  $W$ . □

6. (§3.D # 18) Show that  $V$  and  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}, V)$  are isomorphic vector spaces.

*Proof.* We note that if  $V$  was finite dimensional we would have that

$$\dim(V) = \dim(V) \cdot 1 = \dim(V) \cdot \dim(\mathbb{F}) = \dim(\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}, V)).$$

The result is then true since two finite dimensional vector spaces are isomorphic if and only if they are the same dimension. However, we will do a proof without using an

argument which relies on finite dimensionality. Since  $\{1\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{F}$  over itself then  $T$  is completely determined by what happens to 1. That is,

$$T(\lambda \cdot 1) = \lambda T(1) = \lambda v.$$

For every  $v \in V$  let  $T_v \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}, V)$  be the linear transformation such that  $T_v(1) = v$ . We define the following linear isomorphism

$$\Phi : V \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}, V),$$

$$\Phi(v) = T_v \in V.$$

Note that  $\Phi$  is linear since

$$\Phi(\lambda v + u) = T_{\lambda v + u} = \lambda T_v + T_u = \lambda \Phi(v) + \Phi(u).$$

Suppose that  $v_1 \neq v_2$ , then  $T_{v_1} \neq T_{v_2}$  since

$$T_{v_1}(1) = v_1 \neq v_2 = T_{v_2}(1).$$

Thus  $\Phi$  is injective. Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}, V)$ . Let  $\hat{v} = T(1)$ . Then

$$\Phi(\hat{v}) = T$$

by definition of  $\Phi$ . Thus,  $\Phi$  is surjective. Therefore,  $\Phi$  is a linear isomorphism. □