I have had my results for a long time: but I do not yet know how I am to arrive at them - Carl Friedrich Gauss

## 1 Review Topics

 $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ 

## 2 Exercises

2.1 Find the coordinate vector for the given vector in the given basis

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, C = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} -2\\3 \end{pmatrix} C = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1\\1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1\\-1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

2.2 Find the set of solution vectors:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} x = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

What is an interpretation of x in terms of bases?

- 2.3 Show that similarity is an equivalence relation; that is: A is similar to A, if A is similar to B, then B is similar to A, and if A is similar to B and B is similar to C, then A is similar to C.
- 2.4 Consider the basis for polynomials of degree  $2\{x^2, x, 1\}$ , and the corresponding basis  $\{x, 1\}$  for linear functions. What is the matrix representation of differentiation as a map  $D: \mathcal{P}^2 \to \mathcal{P}^1$ ? What if we view D as mapping  $\mathcal{P}^2 \to \mathcal{P}^2$ ?

2.5 Prove that two similar operators must have the same rank

2.6 Define for a matrix A the new matrix  $A^k$  as  $A \cdots A$  k times (as an operator this is function composition k times. Prove that if A is similar to B, then  $A^k$  is similar to  $B^k$  for any k.