

# Matrix theory Assignment 17

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**Abstract**—This document contains the concept of algebra of polynomials.

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Similarly,  $\forall a \in \mathbf{F}$ .

$$L(a) = L(a.1) \implies aL(1) = a \quad (2.0.6)$$

Simplifying (2.0.2) we have,

$$L(f) = L(a_0) + L(a_1)L(x) + L(a_2)L(x^2) + \cdots L(a_n)L(x^n) \quad (2.0.7)$$

From (2.0.6) we have,  $L(x) = t$ .

$$L(f) = a_0 + a_1L(x) + a_2L(x)^2 + \cdots a_nL(x)^n \quad (2.0.8)$$

$$\implies L(f) = a_0 + a_1(t) + a_2(t)^2 + \cdots a_n(t)^n \quad (2.0.9)$$

Hence proved,  $L(f) = f(t) \forall \mathbf{F}$

## 1 PROBLEM

Let  $\mathbf{F}$  be a field. We have considered certain special linear functionals on  $\mathbf{F}[x]$  obtained via 'evaluation at  $t$ ':  $L(f) = f(t)$ . Such functionals are not only linear but also have the property that  $L(fg) = L(f)L(g)$ . Prove that if  $L$  is any linear functional on  $\mathbf{F}[x]$  such that  $L(fg) = L(f)L(g)$  for all  $f$  and  $g$ , then either  $L = 0$  or there is a  $t$  in  $\mathbf{F}$  such that  $L(f) = f(t)$  for all  $f$ .

## 2 SOLUTION

Let  $L$  be a non zero linear transformation.

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1(x) + a_2(x^2) + \cdots a_n(x^n) \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$L(f) = L(a_0 + a_1(x) + a_2(x^2) + \cdots a_n(x^n)). \quad (2.0.2)$$

Given,  $L$  is any linear functional on  $\mathbf{F}[x]$ .

Hence,

$$L(f) = L(f.1) = L(f)L(1) \quad (2.0.3)$$

$$\implies L(1) \neq 0.$$

Similarly,

$$L(1) = L(1)L(1) \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$\implies L(1) = 1 \quad (2.0.5)$$