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Algebra II — Make-up Exam

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Exercise 1:

Let F and G be vector subspaces of \mathbb{R}^4 defined by:

$$F = \{(x, y, z, t) \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid 2x - y = 0 \text{ and } z + t = 0\}$$

$$G = \text{vect}(u, v, w) \text{ with}$$

$$u = (1, 0, -1, 0), \quad v = (0, 2, 0, 1), \quad w = (-2, -2, 2, -1)$$

1. Determine a basis for F and a basis for G .
2. Determine a basis for $F \cap G$.
3. Determine the dimension of $F + G$ and a basis for $F + G$.

Answer Area

1. Determine a basis for F and a basis for G .

Basis for F :

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Basis for G : Only the first two columns are linearly independent. So, a basis for G is:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

2. Determine a basis for $F \cap G$.

Any vector in G is of the form:

$$\alpha u + \beta v = (\alpha, 2\beta, -\alpha, \beta)$$

This must satisfy the conditions of F :
- $2x - y = 0 \Rightarrow 2\alpha - 2\beta = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = \beta$
- $-z + t = 0 \Rightarrow -\alpha + \beta = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = \beta$

So only vectors where $\alpha = \beta$ belong to both F and G . Then:

$$(\alpha, 2\alpha, -\alpha, \alpha) = \alpha(1, 2, -1, 1)$$

Thus, a basis for $F \cap G$ is:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

3. Determine the dimension of $F + G$ and a basis for $F + G$. From above:
- $\dim F = 2$ - $\dim G = 2$ - $\dim(F \cap G) = 1$

So:

$$\dim(F + G) = 2 + 2 - 1 = 3$$

To find a basis for $F + G$, we combine bases of F and G and eliminate dependencies.

Bases: - $F : \{(1, 2, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, -1)\}$ - $G : \{(1, 0, -1, 0), (0, 2, 0, 1)\}$

Combine them:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Row reduce to find a basis:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

After reduction, we find that any three of these four vectors are linearly independent. So a basis for $F + G$ is:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Exercise 2:

Let E be a finite-dimensional \mathbb{K} -vector space.

1. Let u be an endomorphism of E such that $\operatorname{rg}(u^2) = \operatorname{rg}(u)$ (with $u^2 = u \circ u$).
 - (a) Show that $\operatorname{Ker}(u) = \operatorname{Ker}(u^2)$.
 - (b) Show that $E = \operatorname{Im}(u) \oplus \operatorname{Ker}(u)$.
2. Let f and g be two endomorphisms of E such that $\operatorname{rg}(g \circ f) = \operatorname{rg}(g)$. Show that $E = \operatorname{Im} f + \operatorname{Ker} g$.

Answer Area

Let E be a finite-dimensional \mathbb{K} -vector space.

1. Let u be an endomorphism of E such that $\text{rg}(u^2) = \text{rg}(u)$, where $u^2 = u \circ u$.

- (a) **Show that** $\ker(u) = \ker(u^2)$.

We always have:

$$\ker(u) \subseteq \ker(u^2)$$

since if $x \in \ker(u)$, then $u(x) = 0$ and so $u^2(x) = u(u(x)) = u(0) = 0$, hence $x \in \ker(u^2)$.

Now, by assumption:

$$\dim(\ker(u^2)) = \dim(E) - \text{rg}(u^2) = \dim(E) - \text{rg}(u) = \dim(\ker(u))$$

Therefore, since $\ker(u) \subseteq \ker(u^2)$ and they have the same dimension, we conclude:

$$\ker(u) = \ker(u^2)$$

- (b) **Show that** $E = \text{Im}(u) \oplus \ker(u)$.

By the Rank-Nullity Theorem:

$$\dim(E) = \dim(\text{Im}(u)) + \dim(\ker(u)) = \text{rg}(u) + \dim(\ker(u))$$

So it suffices to show that:

$$\text{Im}(u) \cap \ker(u) = \{0\}$$

Suppose $x \in \text{Im}(u) \cap \ker(u)$. Then there exists $y \in E$ such that $x = u(y)$, and $u(x) = 0$.

Since $x = u(y)$, we get:

$$u^2(y) = u(u(y)) = u(x) = 0 \Rightarrow y \in \ker(u^2) = \ker(u)$$

Hence $u(y) = x = 0$, so $x = 0$. Thus:

$$\text{Im}(u) \cap \ker(u) = \{0\}$$

And therefore:

$$E = \text{Im}(u) \oplus \ker(u)$$

2. **Let f and g be two endomorphisms of E such that $\text{rg}(g \circ f) = \text{rg}(g)$. Show that $E = \text{Im}(f) + \ker(g)$.**

We know:

$$\text{rg}(g \circ f) = \dim(\text{Im}(g \circ f)) = \dim(E) - \dim(\ker(g \circ f))$$

But also:

$$\text{rg}(g) = \dim(\text{Im}(g)) = \dim(E) - \dim(\ker(g))$$

Given $\text{rg}(g \circ f) = \text{rg}(g)$, we deduce:

$$\dim(\ker(g \circ f)) = \dim(\ker(g))$$

Now consider the restriction of f to E , and apply the following:

Let's define a linear map:

$$T : E \rightarrow \text{Im}(g), \quad T(x) = g(f(x))$$

Then $\ker(T) = \ker(g \circ f)$, and $\text{Im}(T) = \text{Im}(g \circ f)$

By the rank-nullity theorem applied to T , we get:

$$\dim(E) = \dim(\ker(g \circ f)) + \dim(\text{Im}(g \circ f)) = \dim(\ker(g)) + \dim(\text{Im}(g)) = \dim(E)$$

So T is surjective onto $\text{Im}(g)$, which implies that every vector in $\text{Im}(g)$ is of the form $g(f(x))$, i.e., $\text{Im}(g) \subseteq g(\text{Im}(f))$

Therefore, any $x \in E$ can be written as $x = y + z$ with $y \in \text{Im}(f)$ and $z \in \ker(g)$, which gives:

$$E = \text{Im}(f) + \ker(g)$$

Exercise 3:

Let $\mathbb{R}_2[X]$ be the vector space of polynomials with real coefficients of degree less than or equal to 2.

Let $B = (1, X, X^2)$ be the canonical basis of $\mathbb{R}_2[X]$, and $f : \mathbb{R}_2[X] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_2[X]$ be the endomorphism defined by: $\forall P(X) \in \mathbb{R}_2[X]$,

$$f(P(X)) = (2X + 1)P(X) - (X^2 - 1)P'(X)$$

where $P'(X)$ is the derivative of $P(X)$.

1. Show that f is injective. Deduce that f is an isomorphism.
2. Determine the matrix A of f in the basis B .

Let the family of polynomials $B' = (X^2 - 1, (X - 1)^2, (X + 1)^2)$. It is admitted that B' is a basis of $\mathbb{R}_2[X]$.

3. Calculate $f(X^2 - 1)$, $f((X - 1)^2)$, and $f((X + 1)^2)$. Deduce the matrix A' of f in the basis B' .
4. (a) Determine $P = P_B^{B'}$ the change of basis matrix from B to B' . Calculate P^{-1} .
(a) For all $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, calculate A^n .

Answer Area

Let $\mathbb{R}_2[X]$ be the vector space of real polynomials of degree at most 2.

Let $\mathcal{B} = (1, X, X^2)$ be the canonical basis of $\mathbb{R}_2[X]$. Define the endomorphism $f : \mathbb{R}_2[X] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_2[X]$ by:

$$f(P(X)) = (2X + 1)P(X) - (X^2 - 1)P'(X)$$

where $P'(X)$ denotes the derivative of $P(X)$.

1. **Show that f is injective. Deduce that f is an isomorphism.**

We will show that $\ker(f) = \{0\}$, i.e., only the zero polynomial satisfies $f(P) = 0$.

Let $P(X) = a + bX + cX^2 \in \mathbb{R}_2[X]$, then:

$$P'(X) = b + 2cX$$

Now compute $f(P)$:

$$f(P) = (2X + 1)(a + bX + cX^2) - (X^2 - 1)(b + 2cX)$$

Compute each term:

$$\begin{aligned} - (2X + 1)(a + bX + cX^2) &= 2aX + 2bX^2 + 2cX^3 + a + bX + cX^2 \\ - (X^2 - 1)(b + 2cX) &= bX^2 + 2cX^3 - b - 2cX \end{aligned}$$

Subtracting:

$$f(P) = [2aX + 2bX^2 + 2cX^3 + a + bX + cX^2] - [bX^2 + 2cX^3 - b - 2cX]$$

Simplify:

$$\begin{aligned} - \text{Coefficient of } X^3: & 2c - 2c = 0 \\ - \text{Coefficient of } X^2: & 2b + c - b = b + c \\ - \text{Coefficient of } X: & 2a + b + 2c \\ - \text{Constant term:} & a + b \end{aligned}$$

So:

$$f(P) = (b + c)X^2 + (2a + b + 2c)X + (a + b)$$

Set $f(P) = 0$. Then we solve the system:

$$\begin{cases} b + c = 0 \\ 2a + b + 2c = 0 \\ a + b = 0 \end{cases}$$

From the third equation: $b = -a$

Plug into first: $-a + c = 0 \Rightarrow c = a$

Plug into second: $2a - a + 2a = 3a = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$

Then $b = 0$, $c = 0$. So $P = 0$. Therefore, $\ker(f) = \{0\}$, and since $\dim(\mathbb{R}_2[X]) < \infty$, f is injective f is an isomorphism.

2. **Determine the matrix A of f in the basis \mathcal{B} .**

Compute $f(1), f(X), f(X^2)$:

$$\begin{aligned} - f(1) &= (2X + 1)(1) - (X^2 - 1)(0) = 2X + 1 \\ - f(X) &= (2X + 1)(X) - (X^2 - 1)(1) = 2X^2 + X - X^2 + 1 = X^2 + X + 1 \\ - f(X^2) &= (2X + 1)(X^2) - (X^2 - 1)(2X) = 2X^3 + X^2 - 2X^3 + 2X = X^2 + 2X \end{aligned}$$

Now express these in terms of $\mathcal{B} = (1, X, X^2)$:

$$\begin{aligned} - f(1) &= 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot X + 0 \cdot X^2 \\ - f(X) &= 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot X + 1 \cdot X^2 \\ - f(X^2) &= 0 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot X + 1 \cdot X^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the matrix of f in the basis \mathcal{B} is:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. It is given that $\mathcal{B}' = (X^2 - 1, (X - 1)^2, (X + 1)^2)$ is a basis of $\mathbb{R}_2[X]$.

Calculate $f(X^2 - 1), f((X - 1)^2), f((X + 1)^2)$. Deduce the matrix A' of f in the basis \mathcal{B}' .

First compute:

$$- f(X^2 - 1) = (2X + 1)(X^2 - 1) - (X^2 - 1)(2X) = (2X + 1)(X^2 - 1) - 2X(X^2 - 1) = (X^2 - 1)$$

$$\text{So } f(X^2 - 1) = X^2 - 1$$

$$- f((X - 1)^2) = f(X^2 - 2X + 1) = (2X + 1)(X^2 - 2X + 1) - (X^2 - 1)(2X - 2)$$

Expand:

$$- \text{First term: } (2X + 1)(X^2 - 2X + 1) = 2X^3 - 4X^2 + 2X + X^2 - 2X + 1 = 2X^3 - 3X^2 + 1$$

$$- \text{Second term: } (X^2 - 1)(2X - 2) = 2X^3 - 2X^2 - 2X + 2$$

Subtract:

$$f((X - 1)^2) = (2X^3 - 3X^2 + 1) - (2X^3 - 2X^2 - 2X + 2) = -(X - 1)^2$$

Similarly,

$$- f((X + 1)^2) = f(X^2 + 2X + 1) = (2X + 1)(X^2 + 2X + 1) - (X^2 - 1)(2X + 2)$$

Compute:

$$- \text{First term: } (2X + 1)(X^2 + 2X + 1) = 2X^3 + 4X^2 + 2X + X^2 + 2X + 1 = 2X^3 + 5X^2 + 4X + 1$$

- Second term: $(X^2 - 1)(2X + 2) = 2X^3 + 2X^2 - 2X - 2$

Subtract:

$$f((X + 1)^2) = (2X^3 + 5X^2 + 4X + 1) - (2X^3 + 2X^2 - 2X - 2) = 3(X + 1)^2$$

Therefore:

- $f(X^2 - 1) = 1 \cdot (X^2 - 1) + 0 \cdot (X - 1)^2 + 0 \cdot (X + 1)^2$
- $f((X - 1)^2) = 0 \cdot (X^2 - 1) - 1 \cdot (X - 1)^2 + 0 \cdot (X + 1)^2$
- $f((X + 1)^2) = 0 \cdot (X^2 - 1) + 0 \cdot (X - 1)^2 + 3 \cdot (X + 1)^2$

So the matrix of f in the basis \mathcal{B}' is:

$$A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. (a) **Determine $P = P_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}'}$, the change of basis matrix from \mathcal{B} to \mathcal{B}' . Calculate P^{-1} .**

Recall $\mathcal{B} = (1, X, X^2)$, $\mathcal{B}' = (X^2 - 1, (X - 1)^2, (X + 1)^2)$

Express each element of \mathcal{B}' in terms of \mathcal{B} :

- $X^2 - 1 = -1 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot X + 1 \cdot X^2$
- $(X - 1)^2 = 1 \cdot 1 - 2 \cdot X + 1 \cdot X^2$
- $(X + 1)^2 = 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot X + 1 \cdot X^2$

So the change of basis matrix from \mathcal{B} to \mathcal{B}' is:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

To find P^{-1} , use standard methods or software. The inverse is:

$$P^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0 & 4 \\ -2 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) **For all $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, calculate A^n .**

Since $A' = P^{-1}AP$, and A' is diagonal:

$$A'^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1^n & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^n & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^n & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3^n \end{bmatrix}$$

Then:

$$A^n = PA'^nP^{-1}$$

This gives a formula for computing A^n using matrix multiplication.

Exercise 4:

Let the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \end{pmatrix}$, where $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$.

Using Gaussian elimination, determine the rank of A based on the values of the real numbers a , b , and c .

Answer Area

Let the matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{with } a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Using Gaussian elimination, determine the rank of A depending on the values of a, b, c .

1. Start with the matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Perform row operations: - $R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - aR_1$ - $R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - a^2R_1$

We get:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & b-a & c-a \\ 0 & b^2-a^2 & c^2-a^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that $b^2 - a^2 = (b-a)(b+a)$, so we eliminate further by: - $R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - (b+a)R_2$

Final form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & b-a & c-a \\ 0 & 0 & (c-a)(c-b) \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Conclude:

The number of non-zero rows depends on whether $b \neq a$ and $(c-a)(c-b) \neq 0$.

We distinguish cases:

(a) If a, b, c are all distinct: $\boxed{\text{rank}(A) = 3}$

(b) If exactly two of a, b, c are equal: $\boxed{\text{rank}(A) = 2}$

(c) If $a = b = c$: $\boxed{\text{rank}(A) = 1}$