

Midterm

1. A real-valued function f defined on the real line is called an odd function if $f(-t) = -f(t)$ for each real number t . Is the set of odd functions defined on the real line with the operations of addition and scalar multiplication, defined for two functions f, g and $c \in F$ by $(f+g)(t) = f(t)+g(t)$ and $(cf)(t) = c[f(t)]$, a vector space? Justify your answer. (10%)

Ans.:

Let V denote the set of odd functions.

(1) Closure of vector addition:

For all $f(t), g(t)$ in V , define $l(t) = f(t)+g(t)$

$$\because l(t) = f(t) + g(t) = -[f(-t) + g(-t)] = -l(-t)$$

$$\therefore l(t) \in V$$

(2) Closure of scalar multiplication:

For each element a in F and all $f(t)$ in V ,

$$a(f(t)) = -a(f(-t)) \in V$$

(3)

For all $f(t), g(t)$ in V , $f(t)+g(t)=g(t)+f(t)$ (commutativity of addition)

$\Rightarrow$ (VS 1) holds.

(4)

For all $f(t), g(t)$ and $h(t)$ in V , $(f(t)+g(t))+h(t) = f(t)+g(t)+h(t) = f(t)+(g(t)+h(t))$

(associativity of addition)

$\Rightarrow$ (VS 2) holds.

(5)

Define $w(t)$ by $w(t) = 0$ for all t .

$$\because w(t) = -w(-t) = 0$$

$\therefore w(t)$ is an odd function.

$$\Rightarrow w(t) \in V$$

For all $f(t)$ in V , $f(t) + w(t) = f(t) + 0 = f(t)$.

$\Rightarrow$ (VS 3) holds.

(6)

Define $g(t)$ by $g(t) = -f(t)$

$\because g(t) = -f(t) = -(-f(-t)) = -g(-t)$ is an odd function.

$$\therefore g(t) \in V$$

$$\Rightarrow f(t) + g(t) = f(t) - f(t) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$ (VS 4) holds.

(7)

For any $f(t)$ in V , $1 \cdot f(t) = f(t)$

$\Rightarrow$ (VS 5) holds.

(8)

For each pair of elements a, b in F and any $f(t)$ in V ,

$$(ab)f(t) = a(bf(t)) = a(bf(t))$$

$\Rightarrow$ (VS 6) holds.

(9) For each element a in F and each pair of $f(t), g(t)$ in V ,

$$a(f(t) + g(t)) = af(t) + ag(t)$$

$\Rightarrow$ (VS 7) holds.

(10)

For each pair of elements a, b in F and any $f(t)$ in V ,

$$(a+b)f(t) = af(t) + bf(t)$$

$\Rightarrow$ (VS 8) holds.

According to (1)~(10), the set of odd functions is a vector space.

2. In $M_{m \times n}(F)$ define $W = \{A \in M_{m \times n}(F) : \sum_{i=1}^m A_{ij} = 0 \text{ whenever } 1 \leq j \leq n\}$

(a) Is the set W a subspace of $M_{m \times n}(F)$? Justify your answer. (6%)

(b) Find a basis for the smallest vector space that contains W . (6%)

Ans.:

(a) Suppose that there are any two vectors B and C in W , where $\sum_{i=1}^m B_{ij} = \sum_{i=1}^m C_{ij} = 0$.

Suppose that a is a scalar and $D = O_{m \times n}$.

$$\because \sum_{i=1}^m (aB + C)_{ij} = \sum_{i=1}^m (aB_{ij} + C_{ij}) = \sum_{i=1}^m (aB_{ij}) + \sum_{i=1}^m C_{ij} = a \sum_{i=1}^m B_{ij} + \sum_{i=1}^m C_{ij} = 0 \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^m D_{ij} = 0$$

$$\therefore aB + C \in W, D \in W$$

$\Rightarrow W$ is a subspace of $M_{m \times n}(F)$

(b)

The basis contains $(m-1) \times n$ vectors. A basis for W is $\{A^{ij} : 1 \leq i \leq m-1, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$,

where A^{ij} is the $m \times n$ matrix having 1 in the i th row and j th column, -1 in the m th row and j th column, and 0 elsewhere.

3. Determine which of the following sets are bases for $P_2(R)$. (8%)

$$(a) \{1+2x+x^2, 3+x^2, x+x^2\} \quad (b) \{1+2x-x^2, 4-2x+x^2, 1+18x-9x^2\}$$

Ans.:

(a) $\because$ The only solution of $a(1+2x+x^2) + b(3+x^2) + c(x+x^2) = 0$ is $a=b=c=0$

$\therefore \{1+2x+x^2, 3+x^2, x+x^2\}$ is linearly independent.

$\because \dim(P_2(R)) = 3 =$ the number of vectors in the set $\{1+2x+x^2, 3+x^2, x+x^2\}$

According to Corollary 2 of Theorem 1.10, $\{1-2x-2x^2, -2+3x-x^2, 1-x+6x^2\}$ is a basis

for $P_2(R)$.

(b) $\therefore$ The solution of $a(1+2x-x^2)+b(4-2x-x^2)+c(1+18x-9x^2)=0$ is $\{a, b, c\}=\{-37, 8, 5\}$

$\therefore \{1+2x-x^2, 4-2x-x^2, 1+18x-9x^2\}$ is not linearly independent.

$\Rightarrow \{1+2x-x^2, 4-2x-x^2, 1+18x-9x^2\}$ is not a basis for $P_2(R)$.

4. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space and $T: V \rightarrow V$ be linear.

(a) Show that $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(V) - \text{nullity}(T)$. (8%)

(b) Suppose that $V = R(T) + N(T)$. Show that $V = R(T) \oplus N(T)$ based on (a). (8%)

Ans.:

(a) Let the dimension of V be n .

Suppose that $\nu = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$ is a basis for $N(T)$,

$\Rightarrow \text{nullity}(T) = m$.

According to Corollary of Theorem 1.11 in Sec. 1.6, by extending ν , we

have $\alpha = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m, v_{m+1}, \dots, v_n\}$ which is a basis for V .

For any vector u in $R(T)$,

$$u = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i T(v_i) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i T(v_i) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n a_i T(v_i) = \sum_{i=m+1}^n a_i T(v_i)$$

$\Rightarrow \{T(v_{m+1}), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ generates $R(T)$

Then we suppose that

$$\sum_{i=m+1}^n b_i T(v_i) = 0 \quad \text{for } b_{m+1}, b_{m+2}, \dots, b_n \in F.$$

Using the fact that T is linear, we have

$$T\left(\sum_{i=m+1}^n b_i v_i\right) = 0$$

$$\therefore \sum_{i=m+1}^n b_i v_i \in N(T)$$

Hence there exist $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m \in F$ such that

$$\sum_{i=m+1}^n b_i v_i = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i v_i \quad \text{or} \quad \left(-\sum_{i=1}^m c_i v_i\right) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n b_i v_i = 0$$

Since α is a basis for V , we have $b_i = 0$ for all i .

Hence $\{T(v_{m+1}), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ is linear independent.

$\Rightarrow \{T(v_{m+1}), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ is a basis for $R(T)$.

$\Rightarrow \text{rank}(T) = n - m = \dim(V) - \text{nullity}(T)$.

Q.E.D.

(b) Suppose that $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(V) - \text{nullity}(T)$ and $V = R(T) + N(T)$, then according to dimension theorem:

$$\dim(V) = \dim(R(T)) + \dim(N(T)) - \dim(R(T) \cap N(T)) \dots \dots \dots (A)$$

where $\dim(R(T)) = \text{rank}(T)$ and $\dim(N(T)) = \text{nullity}(T)$.

But $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(V) - \text{nullity}(T)$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(V) = \text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) \Rightarrow \dim(V) = \dim(R(T)) + \dim(N(T)) \dots \dots \dots (B)$$

Compare (A) and (B), we know $\dim(R(T) \cap N(T)) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow R(T) \cap N(T) = \{0\}$$

According to $V = R(T) + N(T)$ and $R(T) \cap N(T) = \{0\}$, $V = R(T) \oplus N(T)$

Q.E.D.

5. Define $T: P(R) \rightarrow P(R)$ by $T(f(x)) = \int_0^x f(x) dt$. Prove that T is linear and

one-to-one, but not onto. (10%)

Ans.:

(i) Suppose that $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ in $P(R)$, a is a scalar, then

$$T(af(x) + g(x)) = \int_0^x (af(x) + g(x)) dt = \int_0^x af(x) dt + \int_0^x g(x) dt =$$

$$a \int_0^x f(x) dt + \int_0^x g(x) dt = aT(f(x)) + T(g(x))$$

$\therefore T$ is linear.

(ii) $\therefore$ There is no solution for function $T(f(x)) = 2$.

$\therefore T$ is not onto.

(iii) For any $f(x) \neq 0$, $T(f(x)) \neq 0$.

$$\therefore N(T) = \{0\}$$

$\therefore T$ is one-to-one.

6. For ordered based $\beta = \{2x^2 - x, 3x^2 + 1, x^2\}$, $\beta' = \{x^2, x + 1, 1\}$ for $P_2(R)$, find the change of coordinate matrix that changes β' -coordinates into β -coordinates. (10%)

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

$$\text{Ans.: } \therefore x + 1 = -1 \cdot (2x^2 - x) + 1 \cdot (3x^2 + 1) + (-1) \cdot x^2.$$

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

$$\therefore \text{Coordinate matrix is } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

7. $T: R^3 \rightarrow R^2$ defined by $T(a_1, a_2, a_3) = (a_1 + a_2, 3a_3)$. Find bases for both $N(T)$ and $R(T)$. (10%)

Ans.:

(i) Suppose that (a, b, c) in $N(T)$, then $T(a, b, c) = (a+b, 3c) = \{0\}$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a+b=0 \\ 3c=0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a=-b \\ c=0 \end{cases}$$

$\therefore$ The basis for $N(T)$ is $\{(1, -1, 0)\}$

(ii) For any element (d, e) in R^2 , we can find an element $(a, b, c) = (d, -d, e/3)$ in R^3 , such that

$$T(a, b, c) = (d, e).$$

$$\therefore R^2 \subseteq R(T)$$

$$\therefore R(T) \subseteq R^2$$

$$\therefore R^2 = R(T)$$

The basis for $R(T)$ is also a basis for R^2 .

$\therefore$ The basis for $R(T)$ is $\{(1, 0), (0, 1)\}$

8. Let V be a vector space with the ordered basis $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$. Define $v_0 = 0$.

There exist a linear transformation $T: V \rightarrow V$ such that $T(v_j) = v_j + v_{j-1}$ for

$j=1, 2, \dots, n$. Compute $[T]_{\beta}$. (10%)

Ans.:

$$T(v_1) = 1 \cdot v_1 + 0 \cdot v_2 + 0 \cdot v_3 + \dots + 0 \cdot v_n$$

$$T(v_2) = 1 \cdot v_1 + 1 \cdot v_2 + 0 \cdot v_3 + \dots + 0 \cdot v_n$$

$$T(v_3) = 0 \cdot v_1 + 1 \cdot v_2 + 1 \cdot v_3 + \dots + 0 \cdot v_n$$

$\vdots$

$$T(v_n) = 0 \cdot v_1 + 0 \cdot v_2 + \dots + 1 \cdot v_{n-1} + 1 \cdot v_n$$

$$[T]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

9. Let V and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces and $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. Label the following statements as true or false. (6%)

(a) Any union of subspaces of V is a subspace of V .

(b) If $\dim(V) < \dim(W)$, then T can not be onto.

(c) If $\dim(V) > \dim(W)$, then T can not be one-to-one.

Ans.:

(a) False. Suppose that V' and V'' are subspaces of V with basis $\{(1, 0, 0)\}$ and $\{(0, 1, 0)\}$,

$(0,0,1)\}$.

$\therefore (1,1,1) = (1,0,0) + (0,1,0) + (0,0,1) \notin (V' \cup V'')$

$\therefore (V' \cup V'')$ is not a vector space $\Rightarrow$ Statement is false.

(b) True. If $\dim(V) < \dim(W)$, $R(T) \neq W$. $\Rightarrow$ Statement is true.

(c) True. If $\dim(V) > \dim(W)$, $N(T) \neq \{0\}$. $\Rightarrow$ Not one-to-one. $\Rightarrow$ Statement is true.

10. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. Find an elementary matrix E such that

$B = EA$. (8%)

Ans.:

$$\therefore \begin{matrix} (-1) \xrightarrow{\quad} \\ \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore E = \begin{matrix} (-1) \xrightarrow{\quad} \\ \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$