

Math 115A
Linear Algebra

Quiz 1

Instructions: You have 60 minutes to complete the exam. There are five problems worth a total of 38 points. You may not use any books or notes. Write your solutions in the space below the questions. If you need more space, use the back of the page. Do not forget to write your name and UID in the space below.

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Question	Points	Score
1	6	2
2	12	3
3	5	5
4	7	2
5	8	6
Total:	38	18

Problem 1

Recall that $\mathbb{R}^1 = \{ (x) : x \in \mathbb{R} \}$ is a vector space over \mathbb{R} with coordinatewise addition and scalar multiplication.

2 (a) [2pts.] List every subspace of \mathbb{R}^1 . You don't need to prove your claim in this part.

0 (b) [4pts.] Suppose V is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^1 .

Prove that V has to be equal to one of the subspaces you wrote down in part (a).

a. $\{0\}, \mathbb{R}^1$

b. Let V be as in the question statement above. We want to show that V must equal \mathbb{R}^1 or $\{0\}$ ~~to be a subspace~~. The conditions of a subspace are as follows:

1. $0 \in V$
2. All $v, w \in V$, then $v+w \in V$
3. All $v \in V, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\lambda v \in V$.

Suppose V is an arbitrary set. ^{NO} To fulfill condition 3, V must span the ~~whole~~ ^{\mathbb{R}^1} and ~~whole~~ ^{all} products, as any number multiplied with a scalar must be positive or negative, and can range from $-\infty$ to $+\infty$. Furthermore, for the set \mathbb{R}^1 , condition 2 holds true, as any $v_1 \in \mathbb{R}^1$ added with another $v_2 \in \mathbb{R}^1$ is still in \mathbb{R}^1 . Finally, $0 \in \mathbb{R}^1$, so condition 1 holds.

In the case of the $\{0\}$, the only element is 0. $0+0=0$, so condition 1 holds. $0+0=0$, so condition 2 holds. $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, 0\lambda=0$, as we know from real numbers, so condition 3 holds.

Therefore only \mathbb{R}^1 and $\{0\}$ fulfill the three conditions of subspaces, not what you need to prove.

Problem 2.

Suppose X is a nonempty set.

In class and on the homework, we proved that the set of real-valued functions from X ,

$$\mathcal{F} = \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$$

is a vector space over \mathbb{R} when equipped with pointwise addition and scalar multiplication.

- (a) [2pts.] Give the definition of addition and scalar multiplication in \mathcal{F} .
- (b) [2pts.] Verify the eighth axiom of a vector space for \mathcal{F} , that is, that for all $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$, and for all $f \in \mathcal{F}$, $(\lambda + \mu)f = \lambda f + \mu f$.
- (c) [3pts.] Fix $x_0, x_1 \in X$. Prove that $T : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f \mapsto f(x_0) + f(x_1)$ is linear.

Now take $X = \mathbb{R}$ so that $\mathcal{F} = \{f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$.

- (d) [2pts.] Is the subset $\{f \in \mathcal{F} : f(0) = 1\}$ a subspace of \mathcal{F} ?
Prove your claim.
- (e) [3pts.] Is the subset $\{f \in \mathcal{F} : f(-1) \cdot f(1) = 0\}$ a subspace of \mathcal{F} ?
Prove your claim.

a. Addition: $f_1, f_2 \in \mathcal{F}$, then $(f_1) + (f_2) = (f_1 + f_2)$.
 Multiplication: $f \in \mathcal{F}$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\lambda(f) = (\lambda \cdot f)$.

b. We set a variable $\alpha = (\lambda + \mu)$. Then $(\lambda + \mu)f = \alpha(f)$.
 Using the definition of scalar multiplication, we know $\alpha(f) = (\alpha \cdot f)$.

Substituting $\lambda + \mu$ back and we get $((\lambda + \mu) \cdot f)$, then we know distribution of real numbers, we can rewrite $((\lambda + \mu) \cdot f) = (\lambda f + \mu f)$.
 This is the right-hand side of the original equation. Therefore Axiom 8 holds.

c. Consider the problem statement. We want to show $T : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f \mapsto f(x_0) + f(x_1)$ is linear. We will do that by showing the two conditions of linearity:

1. $f(x_0) + f(x_1) = f(x_0 + x_1)$.
2. $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, $\lambda f(x_0) = f(\lambda x_0)$.

Condition 1: By the definition of pointwise addition in \mathcal{F} , we know that $(f_1) + (f_2) = (f_1 + f_2)$. Hence, we know $f(x_0) + f(x_1) = f(x_0 + x_1)$.
 Therefore condition 1 is true.

not real numbers

Condition 2:

To show that Condition 2 is true, we must show

$$\lambda f(x_0) + \lambda f(x_1) = f(\lambda x_0) + f(\lambda x_1)$$

By the definition of scalar multiplication in F , we know that

$$\lambda f(x_0) = f(\lambda x_0) \text{ and } \lambda f(x_1) = f(\lambda x_1) \quad \times$$

Substituting these values into the left-hand side yields the right-hand side. Therefore Condition 2 holds.

Here, $f(x_0) + f(x_1)$ is true as conditions 1 and 2 hold.

d. Consider the problem statement. To be a subspace, one of the conditions is that $0 \in V$. This means that the subspace must consist of a "zero" element. Since the subset $f(0) = \{ \}$ does not contain a "zero" element, it is not a subspace. ✓

e. Consider the problem statement. To be a subspace, three conditions must be met:

1. $0 \in V$
2. $v \in V, w \in V, v+w \in V$
3. $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, v \in V, \lambda v \in V$

Condition 1

Since $f(-1) \cdot f(1) = 0$ has a mapping to a "zero" element such that anything added to it results in itself, Condition 1 is true. ✓

Condition 2. Since the set contains only $f(-1) \cdot f(1)$, to test this we see that

$$f(-1) \cdot f(1) + f(-1) \cdot f(1) = 0 + 0 = 0 \in \text{of the subset. Hence Condition 2 holds. } \times$$

Condition 3: for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, we see that $\lambda (f(-1) \cdot f(1)) = \lambda(0)$.

Since we know $0 \cdot \text{any number} = 0$, we know $\lambda(0) = 0$, which is an element of the subset. ✓

Here, since conditions 1, 2, 3 hold, $f(-1) \cdot f(1) = 0$ is a subspace. ✓

Problem 3. 5pts.

Let

$$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, e_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, e_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, e_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, e_6 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Consider the 6×6 matrix

$$A = (2e_5 | e_3 | 3e_6 | 5e_4 | e_1 | e_2).$$

Calculate A^{30} and A^{31} efficiently.

I expect the numbers in your matrix to be written in exponent form;

don't calculate things like 2^{13} .

You can write your matrices in terms of their columns like I have done.

$$2: (2e_1 | 3e_6 | 3e_2 | 5e_4 | 2e_5 | e_3) \rightarrow 3: (2^2e_1 | 3^2e_2 | 3e_3 | 5^2e_4 | 2e_5 | 3e_6) \\ \rightarrow 4: (2^2e_1 | 3e_3 | 3^2e_6 | 5^4e_4 | 2^2e_5 | 3e_2) \rightarrow 5: (2^3e_1 | 3^2e_2$$

$$A^{30} = (2^{15}e_1 | 3^{10}e_2 | 3^{10}e_3 | 5^{30}e_4 | 2^{15}e_5 | 3^{10}e_6)$$

$$A^{31} = (2^{16}e_1 | 3^{10}e_3 | 3^{11}e_6 | 5^{31}e_4 | 2^{15}e_5 | 3^{10}e_2)$$

Problem 4

2 (a) [3pts] Prove that the following tuple spans \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$\left((1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 0), (1, 1, 1) \right)$$

0 (b) [4pts] Define $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ by

$$T \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

For this particular example, describe $\ker T$, and prove your claim.

6. Consider the problem statement. We want to show that the tuple spans \mathbb{R}^3 .

We see that if we take $\lambda_1(1, 0, 0)$, we can reach any number

in \mathbb{R}^1 . We see that if we take $\lambda_1(1, 0, 0) + \lambda_2((1, 1, 0) - (1, 0, 0))$,

we can reach any number in \mathbb{R}^2 . We see that

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$\lambda_1(1, 0, 0) + \lambda_2((1, 1, 0) - (1, 0, 0)) + \lambda_3((1, 1, 1) - (1, 1, 0))$ allows

us to reach any number in \mathbb{R}^3 . Hence, a linear combination of

$((1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 0), (1, 1, 1))$ spans all of \mathbb{R}^3 , which means that the tuple spans \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad ? \quad \times$$

The $\ker(T)$ is spanned by the line $\mu(0, 1, 0)$, where $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$.

We will show this via the definition of $\ker(T) := \{v \in V : T(v) = 0\}$.

If we view the transformation matrix, we see that any value in the middle

column (x_2) is sent to 0 as it takes $0(x_2) + x_2 - x_2 = 0$. Furthermore,

we see that the values are multiplied by a scalar in columns 1 and 3:

$(x_1) + x_1 + 0 = 2x_1$, $-x_3 + 0 - x_3 = -2x_3$. Hence, the only $v \in V$ that

maps $T(v) = 0$ is the line spanned by $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$, $\mu(0, 1, 0)$. This

also contains the 0 vector, $(0, 0, 0)$, which also maps $T(v) = 0$.

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Problem 5.

Suppose V and W are vector spaces over \mathbb{R} , that $S : V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation, and that (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) is a tuple of vectors in V .

Always true or sometimes false (i.e. depends on V, W, S , etc.)?

(a) [2pts.] If (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) spans V ,
then $(S(v_1), S(v_2), \dots, S(v_n))$ is linearly independent and $\ker S = \{0\}$.

F ✓

(b) [2pts.] If $\ker S = \{0\}$ and $(S(v_1), S(v_2), \dots, S(v_n))$ is linearly independent,
then (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) is linearly independent.

T ✓

(c) [2pts.] If $\text{im } S = W$, then $(S(v_1), S(v_2), \dots, S(v_n))$ spans W .

T ✗

(d) [2pts.] If (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) is linearly independent,
then $(S(v_1), S(v_2), \dots, S(v_n))$ is linearly independent.

F ✓

For each part, respond with "T" or "F" or leave it blank.

Correct → 2pts. Blank → 1pt. Incorrect → 0pts.

No justification is required, and anything else that is written will be ignored.