

1) a) Suppose $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in V$. Define what it means to say $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$ span V . Be very careful to use complete sentences and phrases such as "there exist" (or \exists) and "for all" (or \forall). F is the scalars.

For any $v \in V$, $\exists a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$ such that
 $a_1\alpha_1 + a_2\alpha_2 + \dots + a_n\alpha_n = v$.

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b) Define what it means to say $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ are linearly independent. Complete sentences!

The only $c_1, \dots, c_n \in F$ that satisfy the equation $c_1\alpha_1 + c_2\alpha_2 + \dots + c_n\alpha_n = 0$ are $c_1 = 0, c_2 = 0, c_3 = 0, \dots, c_n = 0$

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2) Suppose α, β, γ are linearly independent. Show $\alpha + \beta, \beta + \gamma$ and $\gamma + \alpha$ are linearly independent. Say what you are doing in complete sentences, don't just compute.

Let $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in F$.

$$c_1(\alpha + \beta) + c_2(\beta + \gamma) + c_3(\gamma + \alpha) = 0$$

$$c_1\alpha + c_1\beta + c_2\beta + c_2\gamma + c_3\gamma + c_3\alpha = 0$$

Rearranging and using the distributive property we get

$$(c_1 + c_3)\alpha + (c_1 + c_2)\beta + (c_2 + c_3)\gamma = 0$$

However, since α, β, γ are linearly independent, the equation is satisfied only when

$$c_1 + c_3 = 0, \quad c_1 + c_2 = 0, \quad c_2 + c_3 = 0$$

So $c_1 = -c_3$ from the first eq'n and $c_2 = -c_3$ from third eq'n. By substituting into second eq'n.

$$-c_3 + c_3 = 0$$

$$-2c_3 = 0$$

$$c_3 = 0$$

So $c_1 = -0 = 0$ and $c_2 = -0 = 0$. So the only way to satisfy original eq'n is if all

$c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$. Thus the set $\{\alpha + \beta, \beta + \gamma, \gamma + \alpha\}$ are linearly independent.

$$TS \stackrel{\text{injective}}{=} \text{R}(T) = W$$

3) Suppose V and W are finite dimensional and $T : V \rightarrow W$ is linear and surjective. Show there is a linear $S : W \rightarrow V$ so that TS is the identity on W :

$$TS(\beta) = \beta$$

for $\beta \in W$. Hint: Define S on a basis of W .

Since T is surjective, we claim $\dim V \geq \dim W$.

Let β_1, \dots, β_n be a basis of W . Let $b_1, \dots, b_n \in F$

be scalars in F .

We will define S as a linear transformation

that maps each β_i to $b_i v_i$ where v_i is a basis of V .

$T(b_i v_i) = b_i T(v_i) = \beta_i$

T is surjective so $\beta_i \in \text{R}(T)$

$\beta_i \in \text{R}(T) \implies \exists v_i \in V$ such that $T(v_i) = \beta_i$

Let v_1, \dots, v_n be a basis of V .

Define $S(\beta_i) = b_i v_i$

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$$TS: V \rightarrow V$$

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4a) Suppose $T: V \rightarrow V$ and $S: V \rightarrow V$ are linear and V is finite dimensional. Suppose TS is injective (one to one). Show T is injective.

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$$TS: V \rightarrow V$$

$N(TS) = \{0\}$ since it is injective

$$\text{nullity}(TS) + \text{rank}(TS) = \dim V$$

$$\text{rank}(TS) = \dim V$$

$$R(TS) = V$$

For any element $v \in V$, $\exists \alpha \in V$ such that $T(S(\alpha)) = v$

Thus $\forall v \in V, \exists \alpha \in V$ such that $T(S(\alpha)) = v$

Thus T is onto. $R(T) = V$. Rank $T = \dim V$. By rank nullity

$$\text{rank } T + \text{nullity } T = \dim V$$

$$\dim V + \text{nullity } T = \dim V$$

$\text{nullity } T = 0$. Thus $N(T) = \{0\}$ and T is injective.

4b) Give an example of a vector space V and a linear transformations $T: V \rightarrow V$ and $S: V \rightarrow V$ so that TS is injective, but T is not injective.

$V =$ vector space of all polynomials.

V has an infinite basis $\{1, x, x^2, x^3, \dots\}$

So it is infinite dimensional.

$$T(\alpha) =$$

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5) Suppose $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_6\}$ are six distinct elements of V . Suppose $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$ is a basis of a subspace $W_1 \subset V$ and $\{\alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6\}$ is a basis of a subspace $W_2 \subset V$. Suppose $W_1 \cap W_2 \neq \{0\}$. True or false: $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_6\}$ is linearly dependent. Proof or counterexample.

False. Let $V = \mathbb{R}^6$

$$\text{let } W_1 = (a, b, c, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$\text{let } W_2 = (0, 0, 0, d, e, f)$$

$\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ are a basis of W_1

$\{e_4, e_5, e_6\}$ are a basis of W_2

the set $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6\}$ is linearly independent since e_1, \dots, e_6 is the standard basis and it is trivially linearly independent.

but $W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$ in your example.

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Extra credit (10pts): Suppose $T : V \rightarrow V$ is linear and V is finite dimensional. Suppose $T^2 = T$. Show $V = R(T) + N(T)$ and $R(T) \cap N(T) = \{0\}$.

Since $T^2 = T$, $N(T^2) = N(T)$

Let $x \in R(T) \cap N(T)$.

By the def $x = T(\alpha)$ for some $\alpha \in V$
and $T(x) = 0$. $T(T(\alpha)) = 0$. So $\alpha \in N(T)$
 $\alpha \in N(T^2)$. So $x = T(T(\alpha)) = 0$ is the
only element. ~~So~~ $R(T) \cap N(T) \subseteq \{0\}$.

Since $R(T) \cap N(T) \supseteq \{0\}$ (since both are
subspaces), $R(T) \cap N(T) = \{0\}$. ✓

Let $v \in V$. We know trivially that
 $R(T) + N(T) \subseteq V$.

~~By the def $T^2 = T$, $T(T(v)) = T(v)$,
 $N(T) = \{x \mid T(x) = 0\}$~~

~~If $T(v) = 0$, then $v \in N(T)$.~~

~~∴ $R(v) + N(v) = V$.~~

~~If $T(v) \neq 0$, then $T(T(v)) = T(v)$, so $T(v) \in N(T)$.~~