

Thanksgiving Worksheet

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Work the following exercises. *Explain all of your reasoning.* Remember to use good notation and full sentences. All cited exercises are from the textbook *Linear Algebra* by Larry Smith.

- Let V and W be vector spaces over the field \mathbb{F} . Let $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ be an ordered basis for V and $\{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_n\}$ be an ordered set of vectors in W . Prove that the linear extension of $T(\mathbf{v}_j) = \mathbf{w}_j$ for $j = 1, \dots, n$ is a linear transformation $T : V \rightarrow W$.
- Let $S, T : V \rightarrow W$ be linear transformations between vector spaces V and W over the field \mathbb{F} . Prove that $S + T$ and αT (for any scalar α) are linear transformations.
- Define the linear transformation $T : M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ by

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}\right) = (a - 3b + d) + (-2a + 6b + 2c + 2d)x + (2a - 6b + 2d)x^2.$$

Find a basis for $\ker(T)$. Without finding $\text{Im}(T)$, determine $\dim(\text{Im}(T))$.

- For $a \in \mathbb{C}$, define the linear transformation $\text{ev}_a : \mathcal{P}_n(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$\text{ev}_a(p(x)) = p(a).$$

- Find one polynomial in the kernel of ev_a .
 - For any a , the set of polynomials $\mathcal{U}_a = \{p(x) \in \mathcal{P}_n(\mathbb{C}) : p(a) = 0\}$ is a subspace of $\mathcal{P}_n(\mathbb{C})$. What is $\dim(\mathcal{U}_a)$?
- (Section 8.7 #3) Let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $T(x, y, z) = x - 3y + 2z$. Show that T is linear. Find a basis for the kernel of T . What are $\dim(\ker(T))$ and $\dim(\text{Im}(T))$?
 - (Section 8.7 #5) Let $T : \mathcal{P}_3(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ be the linear transformation defined by

$$T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3) = a_1 + a_2x + a_3x^2.$$

Find a basis for $\ker(T)$ and $\text{Im}(T)$? What are their dimensions?

- (Section 8.7 #18) Let V and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces with the same dimension and $T : V \rightarrow W$ a linear transformation. Show that T is injective if and only if it is surjective.
- (Section 8.7 #19) Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation and $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ a basis for V . Show that T is injective if and only if $\{T(\mathbf{v}_1), \dots, T(\mathbf{v}_n)\}$ are linearly independent.
- (Section 8.7 #22) Let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the linear extension of $T(\mathbf{e}_j) = \mathbf{a}_j$, $j = 1, 2, 3$ where $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$ is the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^3 and $\mathbf{a}_1 = (0, 1, 1)$, $\mathbf{a}_2 = (-1, 0, 1)$, $\mathbf{a}_3 = (0, 1, 2)$. Find $\text{Im}(T)$ and $\ker(T)$. Also find $T(1, 2, 3)$.

10. Let a, b and c be distinct real numbers. Let $T : \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the linear transformation defined by

$$T(p(x)) = \begin{bmatrix} p(a) \\ p(b) \\ p(c) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Prove that T is an isomorphism.

11. Let $T : \mathbb{C}^3 \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{C})$ be a linear transformation. Prove that there exists a vector $\mathbf{x} \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{C})$ such that \mathbf{x} is not in the image of T .
12. Prove that for positive integers n and m , \mathbb{C}^{n+m} is isomorphic to the direct sum of \mathbb{C}^n and \mathbb{C}^m .