

1 Suppose $T : V \rightarrow W$ is an injective linear map between two vector spaces and $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\} \subset V$ is linearly independent. Prove that $\{Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n\} \subset W$ is linearly independent.

2 Let V be a complex vector space with a Hermitian inner product and suppose $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ is an orthonormal basis. Prove that the map

$$T : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow V, \quad T \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{pmatrix} := \sum z_j b_j$$

is a surjective isometry, i.e., unitary.

3 (a) Suppose $T : V \rightarrow W$ is a linear map, $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\} \subset V$ and suppose that $\{Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n\} \subset W$ is linearly independent. Prove that $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is linearly independent.

(b) Suppose $f, g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are two differentiable functions and that the determinant $D(x) := \det \begin{pmatrix} f(x) & g(x) \\ f'(x) & g'(x) \end{pmatrix}$ is a non-zero function (i.e., while the determinant may vanish for some values of x it is not identically zero). Prove that f and g is linearly independent in the vector space V of differentiable functions on \mathbb{R} .

Hint: fix $a \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $D(a) \neq 0$. Now consider the map $T : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $T(f) = (f(a), f'(a))^T$.

4 Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear map between two finite dimensional vector spaces over \mathbb{R} , $\mathcal{A} = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ a basis of V , $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_m\}$ a basis of W , $\Phi_{\mathcal{A}} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow V$ the isomorphism defined by

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{A}}((x_1, \dots, x_n)^T) = \sum x_i a_i,$$

$\Psi_{\mathcal{B}} : W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ the isomorphism satisfying

$$\Psi_{\mathcal{B}}(\sum y_j b_j) = (y_1, \dots, y_m)^T.$$

(a) Prove that $\Phi_{\mathcal{A}}$ sends the null space $N([T]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}})$ of the matrix $[T]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}}$ onto the null space $N(T)$.

(b) Prove that $\Psi_{\mathcal{B}}(R(T)) = R([T]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}})$.

(c) Now suppose that $\mathcal{A} = \{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$, $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$ and that $[T]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 9 & -6 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$. Find the basis of the null space $N(T)$ and of the range $R(T)$.

5 Suppose A is an $n \times n$ real matrix and there is a basis $\{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ of \mathbb{R}^n so that $Ab_i = \lambda_i b_i$ for some $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$.

(a) What is the characteristic polynomial of A ?

(b) Suppose $v = \sum c_i b_i$ for some $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $A^k v = \sum a_i b_i$ for some a_i 's. What are they?

(c) Suppose $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. What is $A^k \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$?

6 Suppose V is a complex vector spaces of dimension n , $S, T : V \rightarrow V$ are two linear maps with $S \circ T = T \circ S$, $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ are eigenvalues of T and $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$ for $i \neq j$ (i.e., they are all distinct). Prove that S is diagonalizable.

7 Let W_1, W_2 be two subspaces of a finite dimensional vector space V . Suppose $\{c_1, \dots, c_k\}$ is a basis of $W_1 \cap W_2$, $b_1, \dots, b_n \in W_2$ are vectors so that $\{c_1, \dots, c_k, b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ is a basis of W_2 , and $a_1, \dots, a_\ell \in W_1$ are vector so that $\{c_1, \dots, c_k, a_1, \dots, a_\ell\}$ is a basis of W_1 . Prove that

$$\{a_1, \dots, a_\ell, b_1, \dots, b_n, c_1, \dots, c_k\}$$

is a basis of $W_1 + W_2$.

8 Let V be a real finite dimensional vector space with an inner product and $E \subset V$ a subspace of V .

(a) Prove that

$$E^\perp := \{v \in V \mid (v, x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in E\}$$

is a subspace of V .

(b) Prove that

$$E \cap E^\perp = \{0\}.$$

(c) Prove that

$$\dim E + \dim E^\perp = \dim V.$$

9 Suppose V, W are two finite dimensional complex vector spaces with Hermitian inner products. Suppose further that $\dim V \leq \dim W$. Prove that there is an isometry $T : V \rightarrow W$.

10 Give an example of two 2×2 matrices A and B that have the same eigenvalues and yet are not similar.

11 Suppose $S, T : V \rightarrow V$ are two linear maps such that $S \circ T = 0 = T \circ S$ and $S + T = \text{id}_V$. Prove that V is a direct sum of the null spaces $N(S), N(T)$:

$$V = N(S) \oplus N(T).$$

12 Let V be a complex finite dimensional vector space with a Hermitian inner product and $W \subset V$ a subspace and $P_W : V \rightarrow V$ the orthogonal projection onto W (so that $R(P_W) = W, P_W^2 = P_W$ and $N(P_W) \perp R(P_W)$).

Prove that for any $v \in V, w \in W$

$$\|v - P_W(v)\| \leq \|v - w\|.$$

13 Suppose V, W are two finite dimensional complex vector spaces with Hermitian inner products and $A : V \rightarrow W$ linear, $A^* : W \rightarrow V$ the adjoint of $A, y \in W$. Prove that for any $x \in V$

$$(Ax - y) \perp R(A) \iff A^*Ax = A^*y.$$

14 Suppose $T : V \rightarrow V$ is a linear map, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ a basis of V so that $Tb_1 = \lambda b_1$ and

$$Tb_k = \lambda b_k + b_{k-1} \quad \text{for } k > 1.$$

What is the Jordan normal form of the map T ?

15 (a) State the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.

(b) Use Cauchy-Schwarz to prove the triangle inequality.

16a Let W be a subspace of a vector space V . Suppose $\{b_1, \dots, b_k\}$ is a basis of W and $\{b_1, \dots, b_k, b_{k+1}, \dots, b_n\}$ is a basis of V . Prove that $\{b_{k+1} + W, \dots, b_n + W\}$ is a basis of V/W .

16b Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear map, $Z = N(T)$ the null space of T . Prove that V/Z is isomorphic to the range $R(T)$ of T .

17 Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} B & O \\ O & C \end{pmatrix}$ be a square block-diagonal matrix (with B, C being square matrices of appropriate sizes). Prove that $\det A = \det B \det C$.

18 (a) Let V be a vector space. Suppose $\alpha : \overbrace{V \times \dots \times V}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is k -linear and alternating and $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} \subset V$ is a linearly dependent set. Prove that $\alpha(v_1, \dots, v_k) = 0$.

(b) Prove that if A in an $n \times n$ matrix which is not invertible then $\det A = 0$.

19 Suppose A, B are two $n \times n$ matrices. Prove that $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$. Hint: brute force.

20 Suppose $T : V \rightarrow V$ is a linear map with the characteristic polynomial $\det(x \text{id}_V - T) = (x - 2)^3(x - 3)^4$.

(a) What are the determinant and trace of T ? Explain.

(b) Suppose $\dim N(T - 2 \text{id}_V) = 3 = \dim N(T - 3 \text{id}_V)$. Does this determine the Jordan normal form of T ? If it does, what is it? If it doesn't, what are the possibilities?

21 Prove that an upper triangular Hermitian matrix is diagonal.

22 Suppose V is a real vector space with a positive definite inner product, $v, w \in V$ two nonzero vectors with $(v, w) = 0$. Prove that $\{v, w\}$ is a linearly independent set.