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M511: Linear Algebra (Spring 2018)

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Good Problems 3: Sections 3.4-3.5



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Instructions Complete all problems, showing enough work. A selection of problems will be graded based on the organization and clarity of the work shown in addition to the final solution (provided one exists).

1. Let S be the subspace of $\mathbb{P}_3$ consisting of all polynomials p such that $p(0) = 0$, and let T be the subspace of all polynomials q such that $q(1) = 0$. Find bases for S , T , and $S \cap T$.

$$p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

$$p(0) = 0 + 0 + c = 0 \Rightarrow c = 0$$

$$\text{so, } T = \text{span}\{x^2, x\}$$

$$q(x) = a(x-1)^2 + b(x-1) + c$$

$$q(1) = 0 + 0 + c = 0 \Rightarrow c = 0$$

$$\text{so, } S = \text{span}\{(x-1)^2, (x-1)\}$$

$S \cap T$ must satisfy both $p(0) = 0$ and $p(1) = 0$.

$$\text{so, } p(x) = ax^2 + bx \Rightarrow p(1) = a + b = 0 \Rightarrow b = -a$$

$$\text{then } p(x) = ax^2 - ax = a(x^2 - x)$$

$$\text{and } S \cap T = \text{span}\{x^2 - x\}$$

or

$$q(x) = a(x-1)^2 + b(x-1)$$

$$q(0) = a - b = 0 \Rightarrow a = b$$

$$q(x) = a(x-1)^2 + a(x-1)$$

$$= a((x-1)^2 + (x-1))$$

$$= a(x^2 - 2x + 1 + x - 1)$$

$$= a(x^2 - x)$$

2. Show that if U and V are subspaces of $\mathbb{R}^n$ and $U \cap V = \{0\}$, then

$$\dim(U + V) = \dim U + \dim V.$$

Let $U = \{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_n\}$ be a basis of U and

$V = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$ be a basis of V .

Then $U + V = \text{span}\{U, V\} = \text{span}\{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_n, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$.

Suppose $\{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_n, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$ are linearly dependent.

Then there exists some $\vec{v} \in V$, $\vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$, s.t.

$$\vec{v} = c_1 \vec{u}_1 + c_2 \vec{u}_2 + \dots + c_n \vec{u}_n$$

But this contradicts $U \cap V = \{0\}$.

therefore $\{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_n, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$ are linearly independent, hence form a basis of $U + V$.

And $\dim(U + V) = n + k = \dim U + \dim V$.

3. Given

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

find vectors $\mathbf{u}_1$ and $\mathbf{u}_2$ so that S will be the transition matrix from V to U .

$$S: V \rightarrow U: [\mathbf{x}]_V \mapsto S[\mathbf{x}]_V = [\mathbf{x}]_U$$

Then

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = S\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8+6 \\ 4+6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } \mathbf{u}_2 = S\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4+4 \\ 2+4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

4. Write the standard coordinates in $\mathbb{P}_7$ for the 6th degree Taylor polynomial of $f(x) = \cos(x)$.

$$T_6(x) = \sum_{n=0}^6 \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n = 1 + 0x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + 0x^3 + \frac{1}{4!}x^4 + 0x^5 - \frac{1}{6!}x^6$$

$f^{(0)}(x) = f(x) = \cos x$	$\xrightarrow{x=0}$	1
$f^{(1)}(x) = f'(x) = -\sin x$		0
$f^{(2)}(x) = f''(x) = -\cos x$		-1
$f^{(3)}(x) = -\sin x$		0
$f^{(4)}(x) = \cos x$		1
$f^{(5)}(x) = -\sin x$		0
$f^{(6)}(x) = -\cos x$		-1

so

$$[T_6(x)]_E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{4!} \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{6!} \end{pmatrix}_E$$

5. Let $U = \{x, 1\}$ and $V = \{2x - 1, 2x + 1\}$ be ordered bases for $\mathbb{P}_2$. Find the transition matrices $U \rightarrow V$ and $V \rightarrow U$.

$$U = E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad V = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$V: V \rightarrow U$ is the transition matrix from V to U .

$V^{-1}: U \rightarrow V$ requires a little work.

$$\det(V) = 2 + 2 = 4$$

$$V^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det V} C_V^t = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 & -1/2 \\ 1/4 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$