

LINEAR ALGEBRA HOMEWORK 2 - DUE 7/26

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Assume U, V, W are F -vector spaces.

Exercise 0.1. *As before, let $\text{Hom}(U, V)$ be the set of F -linear maps $U \rightarrow V$. How would you make it an F -vector space? Prove your assertions.*

Exercise 0.2. *If $f : U \rightarrow V$ and $g : V \rightarrow W$ are linear maps, show that their composition $gf \equiv g \circ f : U \rightarrow W$ is also linear.*

Exercise 0.3. *WRITE UP Let $\text{Iso}(V, V)$ be the set of isomorphisms (i.e. linear bijections) $\phi : V \rightarrow V$, and $\text{Iso}(V, W)$ the set of isomorphisms $f : V \rightarrow W$. Suppose $f_0 \in \text{Iso}(V, W)$. Show that the map*

$$T : \text{Iso}(V, V) \rightarrow \text{Iso}(V, W), \phi \mapsto f_0 \circ \phi$$

bijects.

Exercise 0.4. *WRITE UP Obviously, we can transform $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ to $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ by a single R1 operation. Show that you can achieve the same with a sequence of operations involving only R2 and R3 types. More generally, show that on any matrix, an R1 operation can always be replaced by a sequence of operations of types R2 and R3. Try to do it in 10 lines (or less).*

Exercise 0.5. *Describe the complete set of solutions S_0 to the following system in \mathbb{R}^4 , by giving an isomorphism $f : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow S_0$ (including specifying the appropriate k):*

$$\begin{aligned}x + y + z + t &= 0 \\x + y + 2z + 2t &= 0 \\x + y + 2z - t &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

Replace the 0 on the right side of first equation by 1, and then describe the solution set S_1 of the new system. Find a ‘nice’ bijection (again as nice as you can think of) $\mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow S_1$. (Hint: Use a nice bijection $S_0 \rightarrow S_1$.)

Exercise 0.6. *WRITE UP* Let \mathcal{L} be an n -variable linear system over a field F . Prove that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{L} \text{ is homogenous} \\ \Leftrightarrow & 0 \in \text{sol}(\mathcal{L}) \\ \Leftrightarrow & \text{sol}(\mathcal{L}) \text{ is } F\text{-subspace of } F^n. \end{aligned}$$

Try to make your proof as simple as possible, say less than 1/2 a page.

Exercise 0.7. Let $F[x]$ be the space of F -valued polynomial functions in one variable x . You saw that $F[x]$ is an F -space. Verify that the familiar operation of differentiation:

$$\frac{d}{dx} : F[x] \rightarrow F[x]$$

from 'calculus', is F -linear.

Exercise 0.8. Let $F[x]_d$ be the F -subspace of $F[x]$ consisting of all polynomials $p(x)$ of degree at most d , i.e. the highest power x^n appearing in $p(x)$ is at most x^d . Consider the linear map

$$\frac{d}{dx} : F[x]_d \rightarrow F[x]_d.$$

Describe the F -subspaces $\ker \frac{d}{dx}$ and $\text{im } \frac{d}{dx}$ of $F[x]_d$.
Hint: Experiment!