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**Homework 11**

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**Exercise 1** Show that the following sets of elements of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  form subspaces :

i)  $S_1 := \{^t(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x + y + z = 0\}$ ,

ii)  $S_2 := \{^t(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x = y \text{ and } 2y = z\}$ ,

iii)  $S_3 := \{^t(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x + y = 3z\}$ .

**Exercise 2** Let  $V$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and let  $W$  be the set of all elements of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  which are perpendicular to all elements of  $V$ . Show that  $W$  itself is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . This subspace is often denoted by  $V^\perp$  and called the orthogonal complement of  $V$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Exercise 3** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_r$  be generators of a subspace  $V$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $W$  be the set of all elements in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  which are perpendicular to  $X_1, \dots, X_r$ . Show that  $W = V^\perp$ .

**Exercise 4** Show that the set of all real polynomials is a subspace of the vector space of all real and continuous functions on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Exhibit a generating family for this subspace.

**Exercise 5** Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ . Show that any subspace of  $V$  is itself a vector space.

**Exercise 6** To gauge the complexity of a computational task, one can count the number of elementary operations (additions, subtractions, multiplications and divisions) required. For a rough count, one can consider multiplication and divisions only, referring to those jointly as multiplicative operations. Start by considering a 2 by 2 invertible matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  and check that 8 multiplicative operations are necessary for inverting this matrix by using the Gauss elimination technique.

(i) How many multiplicative operations are necessary for inverting a  $3 \times 3$  matrix by the same technique ?

(ii) What about a  $n \times n$  matrix ?

(iii) If a very slow computer needs 1 second to invert a  $3 \times 3$  matrix, how long will it take to invert a  $12 \times 12$  matrix ?