

Linear Algebra I, autumn term 2017
Solutions to homework 4

1) Clearly, $+: \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) \times \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}), (f, g) \mapsto f+g$
and $\cdot: \mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}), (\lambda, f) \mapsto \lambda f$
where $\begin{cases} (f+g)(t) = f(t) + g(t) \\ (\lambda f)(t) = \lambda \cdot f(t) \end{cases} \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$
are well-defined functions.

Axioms: Let $f, g, h \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}), \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$, and let $n \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$
be the zero function
(i.e., $n(t) = 0$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$).

(i) $((f+g)+h)(t) = (f+g)(t) + h(t) = f(t) + g(t) + h(t) = f(t) + (g+h)(t) = (f+(g+h))(t)$
for all $t \in \mathbb{R} \implies \underline{(f+g)+h = f+(g+h)}$

(ii) $(f+g)(t) = f(t) + g(t) = g(t) + f(t) = (g+f)(t), \forall t \in \mathbb{R} \implies \underline{f+g = g+f}$

(iii) $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}: (n+f)(t) = n(t) + f(t) = f(t) \implies \underline{n+f = f}$

(iv) The function $-f = (-1)f$ satisfies $(f+(-f))(t) = f(t) + (-f)(t) = f(t) - f(t) = 0 = n(t) \forall t \in \mathbb{R} \implies \underline{f+(-f) = n}$

(v) $(\lambda \cdot (f+g))(t) = \lambda \cdot (f+g)(t) = \lambda (f(t) + g(t)) = \lambda f(t) + \lambda g(t) = (\lambda f)(t) + (\lambda g)(t) = (\lambda f + \lambda g)(t)$
 $\implies \underline{\lambda(f+g) = \lambda f + \lambda g}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(vi)} \quad ((\lambda + \mu) \cdot f)(t) &= (\lambda + \mu)f(t) = \lambda f(t) + \mu f(t) = (\lambda f)(t) + (\mu f)(t) = (\lambda + \mu f)(t) \\ &\implies \underline{(\lambda + \mu)f = \lambda f + \mu f} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(vii)} \quad (\lambda(\mu f))(t) &= \lambda((\mu f)(t)) = \lambda(\mu \cdot f(t)) = (\lambda\mu)f(t) = ((\lambda\mu)f)(t) \\ &\implies \underline{\lambda(\mu f) = (\lambda\mu)f} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(viii)} \quad (1 \cdot f)(t) = 1 \cdot f(t) = f(t) \implies \underline{1 \cdot f = f}$$

Since the axioms (i) - (viii) are satisfied, $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ is a vector space with the given operations.

2.a) $n \in \mathcal{P}$ (the zero function is a polynomial)

• If $f(t) = \sum_{i=0}^m a_i t^i$ and $g(t) = \sum_{j=0}^m b_j t^j$ are polynomials,

then $(f+g)(t) = f(t) + g(t) = \sum_{i=0}^m a_i t^i + \sum_{j=0}^m b_j t^j = \sum_{i=0}^m (a_i + b_i) t^i$ is again a polynomial, i.e., $f+g \in \mathcal{P}$.

• If $f(t) = \sum_{i=0}^m a_i t^i$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ then $(\lambda f)(t) = \lambda \sum_{i=0}^m a_i t^i = \sum_{i=0}^m (\lambda a_i) t^i$

$\implies \underline{\lambda f \in \mathcal{P}}$

Hence, $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ is a subspace.

b) $n \notin \mathcal{P}_m$, so $\mathcal{P}_m \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ is not a subspace.

c) Let f be the constant function $f(t) = -1, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then $f(x) = -1$ so $f \in \mathcal{U}_x$.

Now $((-1) \cdot f)(x) = -f(x) = -(-1) = 1 > 0 \Rightarrow (-1) \cdot f \notin \mathcal{U}_x$.

Hence $\mathcal{U}_x \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ is not a subspace.

d) $n \in V_x$, as $n(x) = 0$.

• If $f, g \in V_x$ then $f(x) = g(x) = 0$

$\Rightarrow (f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) = 0 + 0 = 0 \Rightarrow f+g \in V_x$.

• If $f \in V_x, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, then $(\lambda f)(x) = \lambda f(x) = \lambda \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda f \in V_x$.

Hence $V_x \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ is a subspace.

$$3) v = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, F: \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, A \mapsto Av$$

$$a) \text{ Let } \begin{cases} A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \\ \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases}. \text{ Then } F(A+B) = (A+B)v = Av + Bv = F(A) + F(B)$$

$$F(\lambda A) = (\lambda A)v = \lambda(Av) = \lambda F(A)$$

$\implies F$ is linear.

$$b) \text{ Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}. F(A) = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -a+2b \\ -c+2d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$F(A) = 0 \iff \begin{cases} -a+2b = 0 \\ -c+2d = 0 \end{cases} \iff \begin{cases} a = 2b \\ c = 2d \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Set } b = s, c = t. \text{ Then } F(A) = 0 \iff \begin{cases} a = 2s \\ b = s \\ c = 2t \\ d = t \end{cases}$$

$$\implies A = \begin{pmatrix} 2s & s \\ 2t & t \end{pmatrix} = s \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\implies \ker F = \text{span} \left\{ \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{A_1}, \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{A_2} \right\}.$$

$$\text{If } \lambda_1 A_1 + \lambda_2 A_2 = 0 : 0 = \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_1 & \lambda_1 \\ 2\lambda_2 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \implies \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$$

Hence A_1, A_2 are linearly independent.

$\implies \underline{A = (A_1, A_2)}$ is a basis of $\ker F$.

$$c) F(B) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2+2 \\ -4+4 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \underline{B \in \ker F}$$

$$\lambda_1 A_1 + \lambda_2 A_2 = B \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_1 & \lambda_1 \\ 2\lambda_2 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 1 \\ \lambda_2 = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{[B]_{\underline{A}}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$4) \text{ Let } u \in V. \text{ Then } \underline{0u} = (0+0)u \stackrel{(vi)}{=} \underline{0u+0u} \quad \otimes$$

By axiom (iv), there exists a $w \in V$ s.t. $0u+w=0$.

$$\text{Now } \mathbf{0} = 0u+w \stackrel{\otimes}{=} (0u+0u)+w \stackrel{(i)}{=} 0u+(0u+w) = 0u+\mathbf{0} \stackrel{(iii)}{=} 0u$$

$$\underline{\text{Hence, } 0u = \mathbf{0}. \quad (**)}$$

$$\text{Next, } u+(-1)u \stackrel{(viii)}{=} 1u+(-1)u \stackrel{(vi)}{=} (1+(-1))u = 0u \stackrel{(**)}{=} \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{u+(-1)u = \mathbf{0}.$$