

Read each problem carefully. Show your work.

Name SOLUTIONS

(1) Consider the following subset of P_2 .

$$V = \left\{ p(t) : \int_{-1}^1 p(t) dt = 0 \right\}.$$

Show that V is a subspace of P_2 and find a basis for V .

(i) Since $\int_{-1}^1 0 dt = 0$, V contains the neutral (zero) element.

Suppose p, q in V . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 (p+q)(t) dt &= \int_{-1}^1 p(t) + q(t) dt \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 p(t) dt + \int_{-1}^1 q(t) dt = 0 + 0 = 0, \text{ so} \end{aligned}$$

$p+q$ in V .

Suppose p in V and α in $\mathbb{R}$. Then

$$\int_{-1}^1 (\alpha p)(t) dt = \alpha \int_{-1}^1 p(t) dt = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0, \text{ so } \alpha p \text{ in } V.$$

Thus V is a subspace.

Let $p(t) = a + bt + ct^2$. Then if $0 = \int_{-1}^1 a + bt + ct^2 dt$

$$= 2a + \frac{2c}{3}. \text{ Thus } a = -\frac{c}{3} \text{ so}$$

$$p(t) = -\frac{c}{3} + bt + ct^2 = c(t^2 - \frac{1}{3}) + b(t).$$

Thus we see that $V = \text{Span}(t, t^2 - \frac{1}{3})$ and since $t^2 - \frac{1}{3}$ is not a multiple of t , the two functions are linearly independent.

and $(t, t^2 - \frac{1}{3})$ is a basis for V .

(2) Let V be the set of arithmetic sequences, that is, sequences of the form

$$(a, a+k, a+2k, a+3k, \dots), \text{ for some constants } a \text{ and } k.$$

(a) Find a basis for V .

(b) Let $W = \text{Span}(\cos t, \sin t)$. Are V and W isomorphic? If so, exhibit an isomorphism. If not, explain why.

$$(a) \mathcal{B} = \left((1, 1, 1, 1, 1, \dots), (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots) \right)$$

(b) V and W are isomorphic. (They are both 2-dimensional spaces.)
Here is an isomorphism:

Let T from V to W be defined by,

$$T((a, a+k, a+2k, a+3k, \dots)) = a \cos(t) + k \sin(t).$$

The inverse is T^{-1} from W to V defined by

$$T^{-1}(a \cos(t) + b \sin(t)) = (a, a+b, a+2b, a+3b, \dots).$$

(3) Let V be the space of upper triangular 2×2 matrices. Consider the linear transformation from V to V defined by

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix}\right) = aI_2 + bP + cP^2,$$

where $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) Find the matrix of T with respect to the basis

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

(b) Show that T is not an isomorphism.

(c) Find a basis for the kernel and image of T . Find the nullity and rank of T .

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= (1)I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 0\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 1\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= (1)P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 1\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 2\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 3\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= (1)P^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = 1\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 8\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 9\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ so} \end{aligned}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b) Since $\det(B) = 1(18-24) + 1(8-2) = -6+6=0$, B is not invertible. Hence T is not invertible and thus T is not an isomorphism.

$$\begin{aligned} (c) \quad B &\xrightarrow{\text{ref}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so } \ker(B) = \text{Span}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ \text{A basis for } \ker(T) &\text{ is } \left(3\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - 4\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 1\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right). \text{ And nullity} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

A basis for $\text{Im}(B)$ is $\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right)$ and thus

a basis for $\text{Im}(T)$ is $\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right)$, and $\text{rank} = 2$.

