

## Detailed Solutions: Linear Maps (TD 02)

### Solution to Exercise 1

#### Answer

**Objective:** Determine linearity by checking additivity  $T(u+v) = T(u) + T(v)$  and homogeneity  $T(\lambda u) = \lambda T(u)$ .

- a)  $T_1 : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $T_1(x, y, z) = (x + y, y - z)$ . Let  $u = (x, y, z)$  and  $v = (x', y', z')$ .

$$\begin{aligned} T_1(u+v) &= T_1(x+x', y+y', z+z') \\ &= ((x+x') + (y+y'), (y+y') - (z+z')) \\ &= (x+y+x'+y', y-z+y'-z') \\ &= (x+y, y-z) + (x'+y', y'-z') \\ &= T_1(u) + T_1(v). \end{aligned}$$

Also,  $T_1(\lambda u) = (\lambda x + \lambda y, \lambda y - \lambda z) = \lambda(x + y, y - z) = \lambda T_1(u)$ . **Conclusion:**  $T_1$  is a **Linear Map**.

- b)  $T_2 : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $T_2(x, y) = xy$ . Check homogeneity with  $\lambda = 2$  and  $u = (1, 1)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} T_2(2u) &= T_2(2, 2) = 2 \cdot 2 = 4 \\ 2T_2(u) &= 2(1 \cdot 1) = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $4 \neq 2$ ,  $T_2(\lambda u) \neq \lambda T_2(u)$ . **Conclusion:**  $T_2$  is **Not Linear**.

- c)  $T_3 : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $T_3(x, y, z) = (x + 1, y, z)$ . Check the image of the zero vector. For linear maps,  $T(0_{\mathbb{R}^3}) = 0_{\mathbb{R}^3}$ .

$$T_3(0, 0, 0) = (0 + 1, 0, 0) = (1, 0, 0) \neq (0, 0, 0).$$

**Conclusion:**  $T_3$  is **Not Linear**.

### Solution to Exercise 2

#### Answer

Given  $f(x, y, z) = (x + y + z, 2x - z, 3x + y)$ .

1. **Kernel and Injectivity:** Solve  $f(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0)$ .

$$\begin{cases} x + y + z = 0 & (1) \\ 2x - z = 0 \implies z = 2x & (2) \\ 3x + y = 0 \implies y = -3x & (3) \end{cases}$$

Substitute (2) and (3) into (1):  $x + (-3x) + (2x) = 0 \implies 0 = 0$ . This is true for

any  $x$ . The solutions are of the form  $(x, -3x, 2x) = x(1, -3, 2)$ .

$$\text{Ker}(f) = \text{span}\{(1, -3, 2)\}$$

Since  $\text{Ker}(f) \neq \{0_{\mathbb{R}^3}\}$ ,  $f$  is not injective.

2. **Image and Surjectivity:** We calculate images of the canonical basis vectors:

- $f(1, 0, 0) = (1, 2, 3)$
- $f(0, 1, 0) = (1, 0, 1)$
- $f(0, 0, 1) = (1, -1, 0)$

Notice that  $(1, -1, 0) = 2(1, 0, 1) - (1, 2, 3)$  is false... wait, check dependence. From kernel,  $1 \cdot e_1 - 3 \cdot e_2 + 2 \cdot e_3 \in \text{Ker}(f)$ , so  $1 \cdot f(e_1) - 3 \cdot f(e_2) + 2 \cdot f(e_3) = 0$ . Thus the vectors are dependent. We only need two independent vectors.  $(1, 2, 3)$  and  $(1, 0, 1)$  are not proportional.

$$\text{Im}(f) = \text{span}\{(1, 2, 3), (1, 0, 1)\}$$

Since  $\dim(\text{Im}f) = 2 < \dim(\mathbb{R}^3) = 3$ ,  $f$  is not surjective.

3. **Rank-Nullity Theorem:** Theorem:  $\dim(E) = \dim(\text{Ker}f) + \dim(\text{Im}f)$ .

$$3 = 1 + 2$$

The theorem is verified.

## Solution to Exercise 3 (Linear Map on $\mathbb{R}^3$ )

Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be defined by:

$$f(x, y, z) = (x - 2y, \quad y + z, \quad 0)$$

### Answer

1. Show that  $f$  is a linear map.

Let  $u = (x, y, z)$  and  $v = (x', y', z')$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  be a scalar.

• **Additivity:**

$$\begin{aligned} f(u + v) &= f(x + x', y + y', z + z') \\ &= ((x + x') - 2(y + y'), \quad (y + y') + (z + z'), \quad 0) \\ &= ((x - 2y) + (x' - 2y'), \quad (y + z) + (y' + z'), \quad 0) \\ &= (x - 2y, y + z, 0) + (x' - 2y', y' + z', 0) \\ &= f(u) + f(v) \end{aligned}$$

• **Homogeneity:**

$$\begin{aligned} f(\lambda u) &= f(\lambda x, \lambda y, \lambda z) \\ &= (\lambda x - 2(\lambda y), \quad \lambda y + \lambda z, \quad 0) \\ &= (\lambda(x - 2y), \quad \lambda(y + z), \quad 0) \\ &= \lambda f(u) \end{aligned}$$

Since both conditions are satisfied,  $f$  is a linear map.

**2. Determine  $\text{Ker}(f)$  and  $\text{Im}(f)$  and their dimensions.**

1. **Kernel ( $\text{Ker} f$ ):** We solve  $f(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0)$ :

$$\begin{cases} x - 2y = 0 \implies x = 2y \\ y + z = 0 \implies z = -y \\ 0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

The variable  $y$  is free. The solution space is:

$$\text{Ker}(f) = \{(2y, y, -y) \mid y \in \mathbb{R}\} = \text{span}\{(2, 1, -1)\}$$

**Dimension:**  $\dim(\text{Ker} f) = 1$ .

2. **Image ( $\text{Im} f$ ):** The image is generated by the images of the standard basis vectors:

- $f(e_1) = f(1, 0, 0) = (1, 0, 0)$
- $f(e_2) = f(0, 1, 0) = (-2, 1, 0)$
- $f(e_3) = f(0, 0, 1) = (0, 1, 0)$

Notice that  $(-2, 1, 0) = -2(1, 0, 0) + (0, 1, 0)$ , so the vectors are linearly dependent. The vectors  $(1, 0, 0)$  and  $(0, 1, 0)$  are linearly independent.

$$\text{Im}(f) = \text{span}\{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0)\}$$

**Dimension:**  $\dim(\text{Im} f) = 2$ .

**3. Rank and Rank-Nullity Theorem.**

- **Rank:** By definition,  $\text{rank}(f) = \dim(\text{Im} f) = 2$ .
- **Verification:** The Rank-Nullity Theorem states:

$$\dim(\mathbb{R}^3) = \dim(\text{Ker} f) + \text{rank}(f)$$

$$3 = 1 + 2$$

The theorem is verified.

**4. Injectivity, Surjectivity, Bijectivity.**

- **Injective?** No, because  $\text{Ker}(f) \neq \{0_{\mathbb{R}^3}\}$  (it contains  $(2, 1, -1)$ ).
- **Surjective?** No, because  $\dim(\text{Im} f) = 2 \neq \dim(\mathbb{R}^3) = 3$ .
- **Bijective?** No, because it is neither injective nor surjective.

## Solution to Exercise 4 (Polynomial Map)

Let  $f : \mathbb{R}_2[X] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_2[X]$  be defined by  $f(P(X)) = P(X + 1) - P(X)$ . Let  $\mathcal{B} = (1, X, X^2)$ .

### Answer

#### 1. Verify that $f$ is a linear map.

Let  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}_2[X]$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f(\lambda P + Q) &= (\lambda P + Q)(X + 1) - (\lambda P + Q)(X) \\ &= [\lambda P(X + 1) + Q(X + 1)] - [\lambda P(X) + Q(X)] \\ &= \lambda[P(X + 1) - P(X)] + [Q(X + 1) - Q(X)] \\ &= \lambda f(P) + f(Q) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $f$  is linear.

#### 2. Determine the kernel of $f$ .

We seek polynomials  $P \in \mathbb{R}_2[X]$  such that  $f(P) = 0$ , i.e.,  $P(X + 1) = P(X)$ . Let  $P(X) = aX^2 + bX + c$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P(X + 1) &= a(X + 1)^2 + b(X + 1) + c \\ &= a(X^2 + 2X + 1) + bX + b + c \\ &= aX^2 + (2a + b)X + (a + b + c) \end{aligned}$$

Setting  $P(X + 1) = P(X)$ :

$$aX^2 + (2a + b)X + (a + b + c) = aX^2 + bX + c$$

Comparing coefficients:

- $X^2$ :  $a = a$  (Always true)
- $X^1$ :  $2a + b = b \implies 2a = 0 \implies a = 0$
- $X^0$ :  $a + b + c = c \implies 0 + b + c = c \implies b = 0$

Thus,  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ .  $c$  is free.

$$\text{Ker}(f) = \{c \cdot 1 \mid c \in \mathbb{R}\} = \text{span}\{1\}$$

The kernel consists of all constant polynomials.

#### 3. Determine the image of $f$ .

We find the image of the basis vectors  $\mathcal{B} = (1, X, X^2)$ :

- $f(1) = 1 - 1 = 0$
- $f(X) = (X + 1) - X = 1$
- $f(X^2) = (X + 1)^2 - X^2 = (X^2 + 2X + 1) - X^2 = 2X + 1$

The image is spanned by  $\{1, 2X + 1\}$ . Since these are linearly independent, they form a basis for the image.

$$\text{Im}(f) = \text{span}\{1, X\} = \mathbb{R}_1[X]$$

(The space of polynomials of degree  $\leq 1$ ).

**4. Compute the matrix of  $f$  in the basis  $\mathcal{B}$ .**

We write the coordinates of the images  $f(1), f(X), f(X^2)$  as columns relative to the basis  $(1, X, X^2)$ .

$$\bullet f(1) = 0 \implies \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bullet f(X) = 1 = 1 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot X + 0 \cdot X^2 \implies \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bullet f(X^2) = 1 + 2X = 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot X + 0 \cdot X^2 \implies \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The matrix is:

$$\text{Mat}_{\mathcal{B}}(f) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$