

Math 4377 Homework Solutions.

HW #9

1. Let V and W be vector spaces, and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear.

Suppose $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is a linearly dependent subset of V .

Prove that $\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ is a linearly dependent subset of W .

Proof. Since $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is linearly dependent, there are scalars

c_1, \dots, c_n not all zero such that $c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n = 0$.

Then $T(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) = T(0) = 0$ and $T(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) =$

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$c_1 T(v_1) + \dots + c_n T(v_n)$ since T is linear.

So $c_1 T(v_1) + \dots + c_n T(v_n) = 0$, with c_j not all 0.

Thus $\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\} \subset W$ is a linearly dependent set.

2. If $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is linear and $T(1,1) = (1,2,2)$, $T(2,3) = (2,-4,2)$

find:

(a) $T(1,0)$ and $T(0,1)$

Solution Solve $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

So $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$. Thus

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$T(1,0) = 3T(1,1) - 2T(2,3) = 3 \cdot (1,2,2) - 2 \cdot (2,-4,2) = (1,7,4)$

Solve $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad c_1 = -2, c_2 = 1$

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ So $T(0,1) = -2T(1,1) + T(2,3)$

$= -2(1,2,2) + (2,-4,2) = (0,-5,-2)$

b) $T(x,y)$ for any real numbers x and y .

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Solution $T(x,y) = xT(1,1) + yT(0,1) = x(1,7,4) + y(0,-5,-2) = (x, 7x-5y, 4x-2y)$.