

## 4 Homework 4 (Basis and dimension)

1. Let  $\mathcal{V}$  denote vector space of all matrices of form  $2 \times 2$  over the field of real numbers. Let  $\mathcal{W}_1$  be the set of all matrices of form  $\begin{pmatrix} x & -x \\ y & z \end{pmatrix}$  and let  $\mathcal{W}_2$  be the set of all matrices of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -a & c \end{pmatrix}$ . Find a basis and the dimensions of the four subspaces  $\mathcal{W}_1$ ,  $\mathcal{W}_2$ ,  $\mathcal{W}_1 + \mathcal{W}_2$  and  $\mathcal{W}_1 \cap \mathcal{W}_2$ .

2. Let

$$\mathcal{V} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} z_1 & z_2 \\ z_3 & z_4 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{C}) \mid z_1 - 2\overline{z_2} + z_3 = 0, z_1 + \overline{z_2 + z_3} + z_4 = 0 \right\}$$

be a given subspace of a vector space  $\text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{C})$ . Find a basis and the dimension of  $\mathcal{V}$ .

3. Let  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  denote subspaces of vector space  $\mathbb{R}^5$ , where  $\mathcal{M}$  is spanned by vectors  $(0, 0, 1, 0, 0)^\top$  and  $(0, 1, 0, 1, 0)^\top$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  is

$$\mathcal{L} = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)^\top \in \mathbb{R}^5 \mid x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0, 2x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0\}$$

(a) Find a basis and the dimension of  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{L}$ . (b) Find a basis and the dimension of  $\mathcal{M} \cap \mathcal{L}$  and  $\mathcal{M} + \mathcal{L}$ .

4. Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be vector space  $\mathbb{R}^3$  spanned by vectors  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  ( $x_1, x_2$  and  $x_3$  are linearly independent)

$$\mathcal{V} = \text{span} \left\{ x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, x_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, x_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Recall that this means that  $\forall v \in \mathcal{V} \exists$  unique  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $v = \alpha_1 x_1 + \alpha_2 x_2 + \alpha_3 x_3$ . Let  $\mathcal{V}^*$  denote the set of all linear mapping from  $\mathcal{V}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  that is

$$\mathcal{V}^* = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{V}, \mathbb{R}) = \{T : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid T \text{ is linear}\}.$$

Now for every  $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  lets defined  $T_j \in \mathcal{V}^*$  on the following way

$$T_j(a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + a_3 x_3) = a_j$$

(a) Show that  $\mathcal{B}^* = \{T_1, T_2, T_3\}$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{V}^*$ .

(b) Compute  $T_1, T_2$  and  $T_3$ .

**Remark:** Solutions for (a) and (b) are independent between themselves. Space  $\mathcal{V}^*$  is called dual space of  $\mathcal{V}$ , and a basis  $\mathcal{B}^*$  is called dual basis of  $\mathcal{B}$ .

5. Show that  $\mathcal{V} = \{A \in \text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \mid \text{trace}(A) = 0\}$  is subspace of a vector space  $\text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  (where  $\text{trace}(A) = \text{sum of diagonal entries of } A$ ). Find a basis and the dimension. Basis that you get extend to full basis of  $\text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ .

6. In space of all real sequences  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$  ( $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}} = \{(a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots) \mid a_n \in \mathbb{R}, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ ) let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a given set

$$\mathcal{L} = \{(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}} \mid a_{n+2} - 2a_n = 0, n \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

Show that  $\mathcal{L}$  is subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$  and find its basis and the dimension.

**Lemma** If  $A \in \text{Mat}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  and  $B \in \text{Mat}_{n \times p}$  then

$$\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(B) - \dim(\ker(A) \cap \text{rank}(B)) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min\{\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B)\}.$$

7. (IMC 2012.) Let  $n \geq 3$  be a fixed positive integer, and let  $A \in \text{Mat}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  denote a matrix that has zeros along the main diagonal and strictly positive real numbers off the main diagonal. Determine the smallest possible number  $r$  such that

$$\dim(\text{im}(A)) = r.$$

For  $r$  that you get, give an example of matrix.