

1. (a) Suppose $x_1 A^1 + \dots + x_n A^n = B$ where A^j and B are column vectors in K^n . Use properties of the determinant to simplify $D(A^1, \dots, B, \dots, A^n)$ where B appears in position j . Deduce (and state carefully) Cramer's Rule.

(b) Use Cramer's Rule to find x_1 and x_2 such that $x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad D(A^1, \dots, B, \dots, A^n) &= D(A^1, \dots, x_1 A^1 + \dots + x_n A^n, \dots, A^n) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{(multilinearity)}}{=} x_1 D(A^1, \dots, A^1, \dots, A^n) + \dots + x_n D(A^1, \dots, A^n, \dots, A^n) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{(alternating)}}{=} x_j D(A^1, \dots, A^j, \dots, A^n).
 \end{aligned}$$

So (Cramer's Rule) if $D(A^1, \dots, A^n) \neq 0$ then

$$x_j = \frac{D(A^1, \dots, B, \dots, A^n)}{D(A^1, \dots, A^j, \dots, A^n)}.$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad x_1 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{-10}{-5} = \boxed{2}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{15}{-5} = \boxed{-3}$$

$$\text{check: } 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - 3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$$

2. (a) Let W be the subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 generated by $(1, 0, 1)$ and $(2, -1, 1)$. Let \mathbb{R}^3 be given the scalar product $\langle X, Y \rangle = x_1y_1 + 2x_2y_2 + x_3y_3$. Find an orthogonal basis of W with respect to this scalar product.

(b) Find a basis of the space of solutions to the equation $x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0$. [Hint: this equation can also be written $X \cdot A = 0$ where A is the column vector $(1, -1, 1)$.]

(a) Apply Gram-Schmidt to basis $\{(1, 0, 1), (2, -1, 1)\}$:

$$v_1 = (1, 0, 1)$$

$$v_2 = (2, -1, 1) - \frac{\langle (2, -1, 1), (1, 0, 1) \rangle}{\langle (1, 0, 1), (1, 0, 1) \rangle} (1, 0, 1)$$

$$= (2, -1, 1) - \frac{2+0+1}{2} (1, 0, 1)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}, -1, -\frac{1}{2}\right). \text{ Orthog. Basis } \boxed{\left\{ (1, 0, 1), \left(\frac{1}{2}, -1, -\frac{1}{2}\right) \right\}}$$

(b) Solution space = orthogonal complement to $(1, -1, 1)$ in \mathbb{R}^3 (a plane).

Need 2 indep. vectors \perp to $(1, -1, 1)$.

Try $(0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)$, make each orthog. to $(1, -1, 1)$ by G-S :

$$(0, 1, 0) - \frac{(0, 1, 0) \cdot (1, -1, 1)}{(1, -1, 1) \cdot (1, -1, 1)} (1, -1, 1)$$

$$= (0, 1, 0) + \frac{1}{3}(1, -1, 1) = \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right).$$

$$(0, 0, 1) - \frac{(0, 0, 1) \cdot (1, -1, 1)}{(1, -1, 1) \cdot (1, -1, 1)} (1, -1, 1)$$

$$= (0, 0, 1) - \frac{1}{3}(1, -1, 1) = \left(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right).$$

Basis for solution space: $\boxed{\left\{ \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right), \left(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right) \right\}}$

3. Let V be the \mathbb{R} -vector space of polynomial functions $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of degree at most 3, ie. functions of the form

$$P(x) = a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0, \quad a_i \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(a) Determine a basis of V and the dimension of V .

(b) Let f be the derivative map on polynomials, ie. the map $P \mapsto \frac{d}{dx}P$. Let g be "multiplication by x ," ie, the map $P(x) \mapsto xP(x)$. Compute $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$ on the polynomial $P(x)$ given above. Say briefly why these compositions are linear maps from V to V .

(c) Find the matrices for $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$ with respect to the basis you chose for V .

(a) basis $\{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$, dimension 4
every $P(x)$ is uniquely expressed as a linear combination of these elements,

$$(b) \quad f \circ g(P) = \frac{d}{dx}(xP(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}(a_3x^4 + a_2x^3 + a_1x^2 + a_0x) \\ = \boxed{4a_3x^3 + 3a_2x^2 + 2a_1x + a_0}$$

$$g \circ f(P) = xP'(x) \\ = x(3a_3x^2 + 2a_2x + a_1) \\ = \boxed{3a_3x^3 + 2a_2x^2 + a_1x}$$

both are polys of degree ≤ 3 , so both map $V \rightarrow V$.
linear since $\frac{d}{dx}$ and "mult. by x " are both linear.

$$(c) \quad f \circ g(1) = 1, \quad f \circ g(x) = 2x, \quad f \circ g(x^2) = 3x^2, \quad f \circ g(x^3) = 4x^3$$

$$\text{matrix } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g \circ f(1) = 0, \quad g \circ f(x) = x, \quad g \circ f(x^2) = 2x^2, \quad g \circ f(x^3) = 3x^3$$

$$\text{matrix } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

4. True or False. Indicate your answer clearly on the left side. You do not need to show your work.

F

Suppose the $m \times n$ matrix A represents the linear map $F: K^n \rightarrow K^m$. Then $\text{rank } A = \dim \ker F$.

T

The identity map $\text{id}: K^n \rightarrow K^n$ satisfies $M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}}(\text{id}) = I_n$ for any basis \mathcal{B} .

T

If $\dim V = n$ and W is a subspace of V then $\dim W + \dim W^{\perp} = \dim V$ with respect to any non-degenerate scalar product.

T

Every linear functional $f \in (K^n)^*$ is of the form $f(X) = A \cdot X$ for some $A \in K^n$.

F

The dimension of the space of solutions to the system of equations $\begin{cases} 4x + 7y - 3z = 0 \\ 2x - y + z = 0 \end{cases}$ is two.

F

If A is symmetric (ie. $A = {}^t A$) then $\text{Det}(A) = 0$.

T

Let $\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{B}'$ be two bases of V . If $F: V \rightarrow V$ is linear, then $M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}}(F)$ is invertible if and only if $M_{\mathcal{B}'}^{\mathcal{B}'}(F)$ is invertible.

T

If $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is a positive definite scalar product, then $|\langle v, w \rangle| \leq \|v\| \cdot \|w\|$ for all v, w .