

Exam: 4 Questions, all compulsory

Q<sub>n</sub> is based on chapter n material

25 marks per question ~ 8 for definitions & statements  
 ~ 8 standard examples  
 ~ 9 } short (unseen) proof examples

Testing as much material as possible. Don't leave anything out.

### Chapter 1

\* Fields & Vector spaces

\* Subspaces  $U+W$ ,  $U \oplus W$ ,  $U \cap W$

$$U+W := \{v \in V \mid v = \underline{u} + \underline{w} \text{ for } \underline{u} \in U \text{ \& } \underline{w} \in W\}$$

Show that  $U+W$  is a subspace of  $V$

To show that  $U+W$  is a subspace of  $V$  we need to show:

a)  $0 \in U+W$

b)  $\alpha x + \beta y \in U+W$  if  $x, y \in U+W$  &  $\alpha, \beta \in F$

\* linear (in)dependence

\* bases & dimension

$U+W$  is written  $U \oplus W$  when every  $x \in U+W$  is written as  $x = \underline{u} + \underline{w}$  for unique  $\underline{u}$  &  $\underline{w}$

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad U \cap W = \{0\} \Leftrightarrow U + W = U \oplus W$$

Def 5  $U \subseteq V$  linearly dependent  
if  $\exists u_1, \dots, u_n \in U$  &  $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$   
s.t.  $c_1 u_1 + \dots + c_n u_n = 0$ .

Ch 2

- \* Linear transformations/maps
- \* invertible linear transformations, isomorphisms,  $V \cong \mathbb{F}^n$
- \* Kernel, rank, rank-nullity theorem
- \* Coordinate vector relative to a basis
- \* Matrix representation of a linear map relative to bases
- \* Determinant, trace, eigenvalues & eigenvectors (tomorrow)

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a) Let  $V$  &  $W$  be vector spaces over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Define what it means for a map  $\alpha: V \rightarrow W$  to be linear. (3 marks)

- \* (Good)  $\alpha: V \rightarrow W$  is said to be linear if & only if:
  - $\alpha(u+v) = \alpha(u) + \alpha(v) \quad \forall u, v \in V$
  - $\alpha(cu) = c\alpha(u) \quad \forall u \in V \text{ & } c \in \mathbb{R} \quad \square$

(Q: Show  $L: V \rightarrow W$  is linear where  $L(v) = \dots$

To show  $L$  is linear ~~it~~ it is



sufficient to show  $L(u+cv) = L(u) + cL(v)$   
 $\forall u, v \in V \ \& \ c \in \mathbb{F}$

\* (Bad)  $\alpha$  linear  $\Rightarrow \alpha(u+cv) = \alpha(u) + c\alpha(v)$

What is  $u, v, c$ ?

Should be  $\Leftrightarrow$

Use this in practise, it is a contraction of the whole def.

$\alpha$  isn't stated to be a map.

b) Which of the following maps are linear? Justify your answers briefly, giving specific counterexamples where appropriate.

iii)  $\chi : M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  defined by  $A^T A = \chi(A)$

\* (Good) Note that for  $c=2$  &  $A = I_{2 \times 2}$  we have

$$\chi(2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) = \chi \left( \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = 4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 4 \chi \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$\neq 2 \chi \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

ie.  $\chi(cA)$  does not equal  $c\chi(A)$

$\forall c \in \mathbb{R} \ \& \ A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ . Hence  $\chi$  is not linear.

$$\begin{aligned} \times (\text{Bad}) \quad \chi(A+cB) &= (A+cB)^T (A+cB) \\ &= (A^T + cB^T)(A+cB) \\ &= A^T A + A^T cB + cB^T A + c^2 B^T B \\ &\neq A^T A + cB^T B = \chi(A) + c\chi(B) \end{aligned}$$

No counterexample given

To turn into a good answer, add "because when ...  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  &  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  &  $c = 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(A+cB) &= 4B^T B \neq 2B^T B \\ &= c\chi(B) \end{aligned}$$

### Steinitz Exchange Lemma

② a) Let  $V$  &  $W$  be finite-dimensional vector spaces & let  $\mathcal{U}: V \rightarrow W$  be a linear map. Prove that there is a number  $r \geq 0$  & lists  $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n \in V$  &  $\underline{w}_1, \dots, \underline{w}_m \in W$  s.t.

i)  ~~$\underline{w}_1, \dots, \underline{w}_m$~~  is a basis for  $W$ .

ii)  $\mathcal{U}(\underline{v}_i) = \underline{w}_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq r$

iii)  $\underline{v}_{r+1}, \dots, \underline{v}_n$  is a basis for  $\ker(\mathcal{U})$



Prove also that  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is linearly independent.

Set  $\dim(V) = n$  &  $r = \dim(\text{Im}(\mathcal{U}))$

The rank-nullity theorem tells us that

$$n = \dim(V) = \dim(\text{Im}(\mathcal{U})) + \dim(\text{ker}(\mathcal{U}))$$

$$\text{i.e. } \dim(\text{ker}(\mathcal{U})) = n - r$$

Let  $\{\underline{b}_1, \dots, \underline{b}_r\} = B$  be a basis for  $\text{ker}(\mathcal{U})$ . We extend  $B$  to a basis  $B'$  for  $V$ . \* S.S.L

$$B' = \{\underline{b}_1, \dots, \underline{b}_r, \dots, \underline{b}_n\}$$

$$\text{Set } \underline{c}_i := \mathcal{U}(\underline{b}_i) \quad 1 \leq i \leq r$$

$\{\underline{c}_i\}$  are linearly independent because

$$\text{if } \left( \sum_{i=1}^r k_i \underline{c}_i = \underline{0} \text{ for } k_i \in \mathbb{F} \right)$$

$$\text{then } \sum_{i=1}^r k_i \mathcal{U}(\underline{b}_i) = \underline{0}$$

$$\text{ie. } \mathcal{U}(k_1 \underline{b}_1 + \dots + k_r \underline{b}_r) = \underline{0}$$

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then  $k_1 \underline{b}_1 + \dots + k_r \underline{b}_r \in \text{ker}(\mathcal{U})$

$$\& \text{ so } k_1 \underline{b}_1 + \dots + k_r \underline{b}_r = \sum_{i=1}^r j_i \underline{b}_i$$

For some  $j_i \in F$

$\Rightarrow k_i, j_i = 0$  because  $\{\underline{b}_i\}$  is a basis.

Ex:  $\{\underline{c}_i\}$  forms a basis for  $\text{Im}(L)$

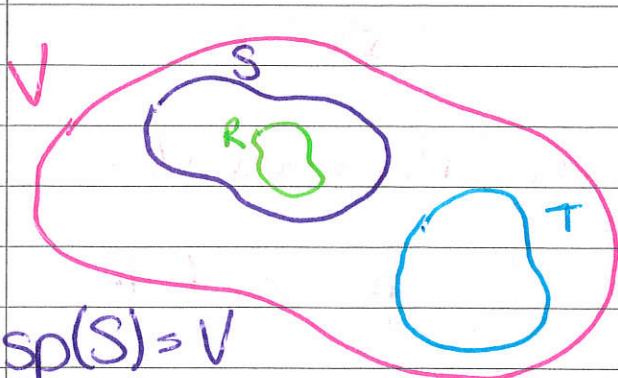
Extend  $\{\underline{c}_i\}$  to a basis  $\{\underline{c}_1, \dots, \underline{c}_r, \underline{c}_{r+1}, \dots, \underline{c}_m\}$  for  $W$ .

Set  $\underline{v}_i = \underline{b}_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$

$\nexists \underline{w}_i = \underline{c}_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$

Ex: verify (i) - (iii)

Extend:



$$\text{sp}(S) = V$$

$$|S| = n$$

T lin indep.

$$|T| = m$$

Conclude  
 $\exists R \subseteq S$

$$\textcircled{1} m = |T| \leq |S| = n$$

$$\textcircled{2} \exists R \subseteq S \text{ s.t. } \text{sp}(R \cup T) = V$$

$$|R| = n - m$$

$$\Rightarrow |R \cup T| = n$$

Ex:  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$   $T = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$$S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad R = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

check  $\text{sp}(T \cup R)$  & conditions for S.E.L. Hold