

Consider the polynomial $p(x) = 2 + x - 3x^2 + 5x^3$. We show that $L_A \phi_\beta(p(x)) = \phi_\gamma T(p(x))$. Now

$$L_A \phi_\beta(p(x)) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -6 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix}.$$

But since $T(p(x)) = p'(x) = 1 - 6x + 15x^2$, we have

$$\phi_\gamma T(p(x)) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -6 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix}.$$

So $L_A \phi_\beta(p(x)) = \phi_\gamma T(p(x))$. ♦

Try repeating Example 7 with different polynomials $p(x)$.

EXERCISES

- Label the following statements as true or false. In each part, V and W are vector spaces with ordered (finite) bases α and β , respectively, $T: V \rightarrow W$ is linear, and A and B are matrices.
 - $([T]_\alpha^\beta)^{-1} = [T^{-1}]_\alpha^\beta$.
 - T is invertible if and only if T is one-to-one and onto.
 - $T = L_A$, where $A = [T]_\alpha^\beta$.
 - $M_{2 \times 3}(F)$ is isomorphic to F^5 .
 - $P_n(F)$ is isomorphic to $P_m(F)$ if and only if $n = m$.
 - $AB = I$ implies that A and B are invertible.
 - If A is invertible, then $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$.
 - A is invertible if and only if L_A is invertible.
 - A must be square in order to possess an inverse.
- For each of the following linear transformations T , determine whether T is invertible and justify your answer.
 - $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by $T(a_1, a_2) = (a_1 - 2a_2, a_2, 3a_1 + 4a_2)$.
 - $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by $T(a_1, a_2) = (3a_1 - a_2, a_2, 4a_1)$.
 - $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by $T(a_1, a_2, a_3) = (3a_1 - 2a_3, a_2, 3a_1 + 4a_2)$.
 - $T: P_3(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_2(\mathbb{R})$ defined by $T(p(x)) = p'(x)$.
 - $T: M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_2(\mathbb{R})$ defined by $T \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = a + 2bx + (c + d)x^2$.
 - $T: M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ defined by $T \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a + b & a \\ c & c + d \end{pmatrix}$.

3. Which of the following pairs of vector spaces are isomorphic? Justify your answers.

- F^3 and $P_3(F)$.
- F^4 and $P_3(F)$.
- $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ and $P_3(\mathbb{R})$.
- $V = \{A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) : \text{tr}(A) = 0\}$ and \mathbb{R}^4 .

4. Let A and B be $n \times n$ invertible matrices. Prove that AB is invertible and $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$.

5. Let A be invertible. Prove that A^t is invertible and $(A^t)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^t$.

6. Prove that if A is invertible and $AB = O$, then $B = O$.

7. Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix.

- Suppose that $A^2 = O$. Prove that A is not invertible.
- Suppose that $AB = O$ for some nonzero $n \times n$ matrix B . Could A be invertible? Explain.

8. Prove Corollaries 1 and 2 of Theorem 2.18.

9. Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices such that AB is invertible. Prove that A and B are invertible. Give an example to show that arbitrary matrices A and B need not be invertible if AB is invertible.

10. Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices such that $AB = I_n$.

- Use Exercise 9 to conclude that A and B are invertible.
- Prove $A = B^{-1}$ (and hence $B = A^{-1}$). (We are, in effect, saying that for square matrices, a "one-sided" inverse is a "two-sided" inverse.)
- State and prove analogous results for linear transformations defined on finite-dimensional vector spaces.

11. Verify that the transformation in Example 5 is one-to-one.

12. Prove Theorem 2.21.

13. Let \sim mean "is isomorphic to." Prove that \sim is an equivalence relation on the class of vector spaces over F .

14. Let

$$V = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & a+b \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} : a, b, c \in F \right\}.$$

Construct an isomorphism from V to F^3 .

- 15. Let V and W be n -dimensional vector spaces, and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation. Suppose that β is a basis for V . Prove that T is an isomorphism if and only if $T(\beta)$ is a basis for W .
- 16. Let B be an $n \times n$ invertible matrix. Define $\Phi: M_{n \times n}(F) \rightarrow M_{n \times n}(F)$ by $\Phi(A) = B^{-1}AB$. Prove that Φ is an isomorphism.

17.† Let V and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces and $T: V \rightarrow W$ be an isomorphism. Let V_0 be a subspace of V .

- (a) Prove that $T(V_0)$ is a subspace of W .
- (b) Prove that $\dim(V_0) = \dim(T(V_0))$.

18. Repeat Example 7 with the polynomial $p(x) = 1 + x + 2x^2 + x^3$.

19. In Example 5 of Section 2.1, the mapping $T: M_{2 \times 2}(R) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(R)$ defined by $T(M) = M^t$ for each $M \in M_{2 \times 2}(R)$ is a linear transformation. Let $\beta = \{E^{11}, E^{12}, E^{21}, E^{22}\}$, which is a basis for $M_{2 \times 2}(R)$, as noted in Example 3 of Section 1.6.

- (a) Compute $[T]_\beta$.
- (b) Verify that $L_A \phi_\beta(M) = \phi_\beta T(M)$ for $A = [T]_\beta$ and

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

20.† Let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation from an n -dimensional vector space V to an m -dimensional vector space W . Let β and γ be ordered bases for V and W , respectively. Prove that $\text{rank}(T) = \text{rank}(L_A)$ and that $\text{nullity}(T) = \text{nullity}(L_A)$, where $A = [T]_\beta^\gamma$. *Hint:* Apply Exercise 17 to Figure 2.2.

21. Let V and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces with ordered bases $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ and $\gamma = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\}$, respectively. By Theorem 2.6 (p. 72), there exist linear transformations $T_{ij}: V \rightarrow W$ such that

$$T_{ij}(v_k) = \begin{cases} w_i & \text{if } k = j \\ 0 & \text{if } k \neq j. \end{cases}$$

First prove that $\{T_{ij}: 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$ is a basis for $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$. Then let M^{ij} be the $m \times n$ matrix with 1 in the i th row and j th column and 0 elsewhere, and prove that $[T_{ij}]_\beta^\gamma = M^{ij}$. Again by Theorem 2.6, there exists a linear transformation $\Phi: \mathcal{L}(V, W) \rightarrow M_{m \times n}(F)$ such that $\Phi(T_{ij}) = M^{ij}$. Prove that Φ is an isomorphism.

22. Let c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n be distinct scalars from an infinite field F . Define $T: P_n(F) \rightarrow F^{n+1}$ by $T(f) = (f(c_0), f(c_1), \dots, f(c_n))$. Prove that T is an isomorphism. *Hint:* Use the Lagrange polynomials associated with c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n .

23. Let V denote the vector space defined in Example 5 of Section 1.2, and let $W = P(F)$. Define

$$T: V \rightarrow W \quad \text{by} \quad T(\sigma) = \sum_{i=0}^n \sigma(i)x^i,$$

where n is the largest integer such that $\sigma(n) \neq 0$. Prove that T is an isomorphism.

The following exercise requires familiarity with the concept of *quotient space* defined in Exercise 31 of Section 1.3 and with Exercise 40 of Section 2.1.

24. Let $T: V \rightarrow Z$ be a linear transformation of a vector space V onto a vector space Z . Define the mapping

$$\bar{T}: V/N(T) \rightarrow Z \quad \text{by} \quad \bar{T}(v + N(T)) = T(v)$$

for any coset $v + N(T)$ in $V/N(T)$.

- (a) Prove that \bar{T} is well-defined; that is, prove that if $v + N(T) = v' + N(T)$, then $T(v) = T(v')$.
- (b) Prove that \bar{T} is linear.
- (c) Prove that \bar{T} is an isomorphism.
- (d) Prove that the diagram shown in Figure 2.3 commutes; that is, prove that $T = \bar{T}\eta$.

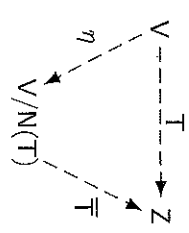


Figure 2.3

25. Let V be a nonzero vector space over a field F , and suppose that S is a basis for V . (By the corollary to Theorem 1.13 (p. 60) in Section 1.7, every vector space has a basis). Let $\mathcal{C}(S, F)$ denote the vector space of all functions $f \in \mathcal{F}(S, F)$ such that $f(s) = 0$ for all but a finite number

EXERCISES

1. Label the following statements as true or false.

- (a) Suppose that $\beta = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ and $\beta' = \{x'_1, x'_2, \dots, x'_n\}$ are ordered bases for a vector space and Q is the change of coordinate matrix that changes β' -coordinates into β -coordinates. Then the j th column of Q is $[x_j]_{\beta'}$.
- (b) Every change of coordinate matrix is invertible.
- (c) Let T be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space V , let β and β' be ordered bases for V , and let Q be the change of coordinate matrix that changes β' -coordinates into β -coordinates. Then $[T]_{\beta} = Q[T]_{\beta'}Q^{-1}$.
- (d) The matrices $A, B \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ are called similar if $B = Q^{-1}AQ$ for some $Q \in M_{n \times n}(F)$.
- (e) Let T be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space V . Then for any ordered bases β and γ for V , $[T]_{\beta}$ is similar to $[T]_{\gamma}$.

2. For each of the following pairs of ordered bases β and β' for \mathbb{R}^2 , find the change of coordinate matrix that changes β' -coordinates into β -coordinates.

- (a) $\beta = \{e_1, e_2\}$ and $\beta' = \{(a_1, a_2), (b_1, b_2)\}$
- (b) $\beta = \{(-1, 3), (2, -1)\}$ and $\beta' = \{(0, 10), (5, 0)\}$
- (c) $\beta = \{(2, 5), (-1, -3)\}$ and $\beta' = \{e_1, e_2\}$
- (d) $\beta = \{(-4, 3), (2, -1)\}$ and $\beta' = \{(2, 1), (-4, 1)\}$

3. For each of the following pairs of ordered bases β and β' for $\mathbb{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$, find the change of coordinate matrix that changes β' -coordinates into β -coordinates.

- (a) $\beta = \{x^2, x, 1\}$ and $\beta' = \{a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0, b_2x^2 + b_1x + b_0, c_2x^2 + c_1x + c_0\}$
- (b) $\beta = \{1, x, x^2\}$ and $\beta' = \{a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0, b_2x^2 + b_1x + b_0, c_2x^2 + c_1x + c_0\}$
- (c) $\beta = \{2x^2 - x, 3x^2 + 1, x^2\}$ and $\beta' = \{1, x, x^2\}$
- (d) $\beta = \{x^2 - x + 1, x + 1, x^2 + 1\}$ and $\beta' = \{x^2 + x + 4, 4x^2 - 3x + 2, 2x^2 + 3\}$
- (e) $\beta = \{x^2 - x, x^2 + 1, x - 1\}$ and $\beta' = \{5x^2 - 2x - 3, -2x^2 + 5x + 5, 2x^2 - x - 3\}$
- (f) $\beta = \{2x^2 - x + 1, x^2 + 3x - 2, -x^2 + 2x + 1\}$ and $\beta' = \{9x - 9, x^2 + 21x - 2, 3x^2 + 5x + 2\}$

4. Let T be the linear operator on \mathbb{R}^2 defined by

$$T \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2a + b \\ a - 3b \end{pmatrix}.$$

let β be the standard ordered basis for \mathbb{R}^2 , and let

$$\beta' = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Use Theorem 2.23 and the fact that

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

to find $[T]_{\beta'}$.

5. Let T be the linear operator on $\mathbb{P}_1(\mathbb{R})$ defined by $T(p(x)) = p'(x)$, the derivative of $p(x)$. Let $\beta = \{1, x\}$ and $\beta' = \{1 + x, 1 - x\}$. Use Theorem 2.23 and the fact that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

to find $[T]_{\beta'}$.

6. For each matrix A and ordered basis β , find $[L_A]_{\beta}$. Also, find an invertible matrix Q such that $[L_A]_{\beta} = Q^{-1}AQ$.

(a) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\beta = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

(b) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\beta = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

(c) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\beta = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

(d) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 13 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 13 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\beta = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

7. In \mathbb{R}^2 , let L be the line $y = mx$, where $m \neq 0$. Find an expression for $T(x, y)$, where

(a) T is the reflection of \mathbb{R}^2 about L .

(b) T is the projection on L along the line perpendicular to L . (See the definition of projection in the exercises of Section 2.1.)

8. Prove the following generalization of Theorem 2.23. Let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation from a finite-dimensional vector space V to a finite-dimensional vector space W . Let β and β' be ordered bases for

V , and let γ and γ' be ordered bases for W . Then $[\mathbb{T}]_{\beta'}^{\gamma} = P^{-1}[\mathbb{T}]_{\beta}^{\gamma}Q$, where Q is the matrix that changes β' -coordinates into β -coordinates and P is the matrix that changes γ' -coordinates into γ -coordinates.

9. Prove that "is similar to" is an equivalence relation on $M_{n \times n}(F)$.

10. Prove that if A and B are similar $n \times n$ matrices, then $\text{tr}(A) = \text{tr}(B)$.
Hint: Use Exercise 13 of Section 2.3.

11. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space with ordered bases α, β , and γ .

(a) Prove that if Q and R are the change of coordinate matrices that change α -coordinates into β -coordinates and β -coordinates into γ -coordinates, respectively, then RQ is the change of coordinate matrix that changes α -coordinates into γ -coordinates.

(b) Prove that if Q changes α -coordinates into β -coordinates, then Q^{-1} changes β -coordinates into α -coordinates.

12. Prove the corollary to Theorem 2.23.

13.† Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over a field F , and let $\beta = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be an ordered basis for V . Let Q be an $n \times n$ invertible matrix with entries from F . Define

$$x'_j = \sum_{i=1}^n Q_{ij}x_i \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n,$$

and set $\beta' = \{x'_1, x'_2, \dots, x'_n\}$. Prove that β' is a basis for V and hence that Q is the change of coordinate matrix changing β' -coordinates into β -coordinates.

14. Prove the converse of Exercise 8: If A and B are each $m \times n$ matrices with entries from a field F , and if there exist invertible $m \times m$ and $n \times n$ matrices P and Q , respectively, such that $B = P^{-1}AQ$, then there exist an n -dimensional vector space V and an m -dimensional vector space W (both over F), ordered bases β and β' for V and γ and γ' for W , and a linear transformation $T: V \rightarrow W$ such that

$$A = [\mathbb{T}]_{\beta}^{\gamma} \quad \text{and} \quad B = [\mathbb{T}]_{\beta'}^{\gamma'}.$$

Hints: Let $V = F^n$, $W = F^m$, $T = L_A$, and β and γ be the standard ordered bases for F^n and F^m , respectively. Now apply the results of Exercise 13 to obtain ordered bases β' and γ' from β and γ via Q and P , respectively.

2.6* DUAL SPACES

In this section, we are concerned exclusively with linear transformations from a vector space V into its field of scalars F , which is itself a vector space of dimension 1 over F . Such a linear transformation is called a **linear functional** on V . We generally use the letters f, g, h, \dots to denote linear functionals. As we see in Example 1, the definite integral provides us with one of the most important examples of a linear functional in mathematics.

Example 1

Let V be the vector space of continuous real-valued functions on the interval $[0, 2\pi]$. Fix a function $g \in V$. The function $h: V \rightarrow R$ defined by

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x(t)g(t) dt$$

is a linear functional on V . In the cases that $g(t)$ equals $\sin nt$ or $\cos nt$, $h(x)$ is often called the **n th Fourier coefficient** of x . ♦

Example 2

Let $V = M_{n \times n}(F)$, and define $f: V \rightarrow F$ by $f(A) = \text{tr}(A)$, the trace of A . By Exercise 6 of Section 1.3, we have that f is a linear functional. ♦

Example 3

Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space, and let $\beta = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be an ordered basis for V . For each $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, define $f_i(x) = a_i$, where

$$[x]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

is the coordinate vector of x relative to β . Then f_i is a linear functional on V called the **i th coordinate function with respect to the basis β** . Note that $f_i(x_j) = \delta_{ij}$, where δ_{ij} is the Kronecker delta. These linear functionals play an important role in the theory of dual spaces (see Theorem 2.24). ♦

Definition. For a vector space V over F , we define the **dual space** of V to be the vector space $\mathcal{L}(V, F)$, denoted by V^* .

Thus V^* is the vector space consisting of all linear functionals on V with the operations of addition and scalar multiplication as defined in Section 2.2. Note that if V is finite-dimensional, then by the corollary to Theorem 2.20 (p. 104)

$$\dim(V^*) = \dim(\mathcal{L}(V, F)) = \dim(V) \cdot \dim(F) = \dim(V).$$