

**Math 129B, problem set 05**  
**Outline due: Wed Mar 07**  
**Due: Mon Mar 12**  
**Last revision due: Wed Apr 18**

**Problems to be done, but not turned in:** (3.6) 1, 5, 7, 9; (6.1) 4, 9, 13, 15, 21, 23.

**Problems to be turned in:**

1. Let  $V = \mathbb{P}_2$  (the vector space of all polynomial functions of degree  $\leq 2$ ), and let  $p_1(x), p_2(x), p_3(x)$  be elements of  $V$  such that

$$p_1(-1) = p_2(-1) = p_3(-1) = 0.$$

- (a) Is it possible that  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$  spans  $V$ ? Justify your answer.
  - (b) Is it possible that  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$  is linearly independent? Justify your answer.
2. First read problem 16 on p. 134; the answer to the problem is essentially given in the “suggestion”.

Now let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space, and let  $S, U$ , and  $W$  be subspaces of  $V$ . Explain how to choose bases for  $S, U, W, S \cap U, S \cap W, U \cap W$ , and  $S \cap U \cap W$  so that:

- The basis you choose for  $S \cap U \cap W$  is a subset of the basis you choose for  $S$ , and so on, for all possible subspace containments; and
  - The intersection of the basis you choose for  $S$  and the basis you choose for  $U$  is the basis you choose for  $S \cap U$ , and so on, for all possible subspace intersections.
3. Let  $B$  be an ordered basis for an  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $V$ , and define  $C_B : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  by  $C_B(\mathbf{v}) = [\mathbf{v}]_B$ . Prove that  $C_B$  is linear. (See (3.6) 8.)
  4. Let  $V = \mathbb{D}^\infty([0, 1])$ , the space of infinitely differentiable functions on the interval  $[0, 1]$ , let  $\mathbb{N}$  be the set of natural numbers (positive integers), and recall that  $\mathbb{F}(\mathbb{N})$  is the vector space of all functions  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $T : V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}(\mathbb{N})$  be defined by the formula

$$(T(f))(n) = \int_0^1 f(x) \cos(2\pi nx) dx$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Prove that  $T$  is linear.

Note:  $T$  is essentially part of what is known as *the Fourier series transform of  $f$* , though you don't need to know or use that for this problem.

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5. Fix  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , and let

$$W_a = \left\{ f \in \mathbb{F}(\mathbb{R}) \mid \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \text{ exists} \right\}.$$

- (a) Prove that  $W_a$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{F}(\mathbb{R})$ . (This proof mostly involves citing appropriate facts from calculus. You do not need to prove those facts; just state precisely which facts from calculus you need at the appropriate points in time.)
- (b) Let  $L_a : W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be given by

$$L_a(f) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$$

for all  $f \in W$ . Prove that  $L_a$  is linear. (Again, this proof mostly involves citing appropriate facts from calculus. You do not need to prove those facts; just state precisely which facts you need at the appropriate points in time.)

6. Prove the *SPAM Lemma*: If  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is linear and  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  spans  $V$ , then  $\{T(\mathbf{v}_1), \dots, T(\mathbf{v}_n)\}$  spans  $\text{im } T$ .