

NO AIDS are permitted for this quiz. Show all your work. Correct answers with little or no supporting work will not be given credit. Write legibly.

1. (6 pts) For the following linear transformations T , determine whether T is invertible and justify your answer.

(1) $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by $T(a_1, a_2) = (3a_1 - a_2, a_2, 4a_1)$.

Since $\dim(\mathbb{R}^2) = 2 \neq 3 = \dim(\mathbb{R}^3)$, T cannot be invertible.

(Otherwise, $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ being linear, and invertible would imply that $\dim(\mathbb{R}^2) = \dim(\mathbb{R}^3)$.)

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(2) $T: M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ defined by $T \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a+b & a \\ c & c+d \end{pmatrix}$.

If $T \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a+b & a \\ c & c+d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, then

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a+b=0 \\ a=0 \\ c=0 \\ c+d=0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} a=0 \\ b=0 \\ c=0 \\ d=0 \end{array} \quad \text{so } N(T) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \{ \vec{0} \}$$

Hence T is one-to-one, which implies that T is onto

(since $\dim(M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})) = \dim(M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})) < \infty$)

(+3)

So T is invertible.

2. (6 pts) Let $\sim$ mean "is isomorphic to." Prove that $\sim$ is an equivalence relation on the class of vector spaces over F . That is, for vector spaces V, W , and Z over F , prove

(1) $V \sim V$.

The identity transformation $I_V: V \rightarrow V$ is linear and invertible (with $I_V^{-1} = I_V$), I_V is an isomorphism.

So $V \sim V$.

(+2)

(2) If $V \sim W$, then $W \sim V$.

Suppose $T: V \rightarrow W$ is an isomorphism. Then $T^{-1}: W \rightarrow V$ is linear and invertible (with $(T^{-1})^{-1} = T$). T^{-1} is an isomorphism.

So $W \sim V$.

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(3) If $V \sim W$ and $W \sim Z$, then $V \sim Z$.

Suppose $T: V \rightarrow W$ and $U: W \rightarrow Z$ are isomorphisms.

Then $UT: V \rightarrow Z$ is linear and invertible (with

$(UT)^{-1} = T^{-1}U^{-1}$), UT is an isomorphism.

So $V \sim Z$.

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