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## 67 MIDTERM II

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### Question 1

#### Definitions:

Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ . Define the following:

(i) The vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent.

The only sol to  $\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n = 0$   
is  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_n = 0$

(ii) The vectors  $(v_1, \dots, v_n)$  are a basis for  $V$ .

$v_1, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent and

$$V = \text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_n) = \{ \alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n \mid \alpha_i \in \mathbb{F} \}$$

#### Counting bit bases:

Consider the vector space  $V = \mathbb{Z}_2^n$  over  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ . In the following include a brief justification for each answer.

(a) How many vectors are there in  $\mathbb{Z}_2^n$ ?

$2^n$  b/c  $\binom{n}{1}, \dots, 1$ ,  $2$  choices/let  
 $\begin{matrix} 2 \\ \text{choices} \end{matrix}$   $\begin{matrix} 2 \\ \text{choices} \end{matrix}$   $\begin{matrix} 2 \\ \text{choices} \end{matrix}$   $n$  slots

(b) Which element of  $\mathbb{Z}_2^n$  is never a basis vector?

0 vector

(c) Suppose you are given a basis for  $\mathbb{Z}_2^n$  whose first basis vector is  $f_1$ , how many choices remain for the second basis vector  $f_2$ ?

$2^n - 2$   
 $\uparrow$   
can't use 0 or  $f_1$

To be continued...

(d) Suppose your basis now includes  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ . How many choices are there for the third basis vector  $f_3$ ?

$$2^n - 4 \quad \text{can't use } 0, f_1, f_2, f_1 + f_2$$

(e) Suppose your basis now includes  $f_1, f_2$  and  $f_3$ . How many choices are there for the fourth basis vector  $f_4$ ?

$$2^n - 2^3 \quad \text{can't use } \begin{matrix} 0 \\ f_1, f_2, f_3 \\ f_1 + f_2, f_2 + f_3, f_3 + f_1 \\ f_1 + f_2 + f_3 \end{matrix}$$

(f) How many (ordered) bases are there for  $\mathbb{Z}_2^n$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} & (2^n) \times (2^n - 2) \times (2^n - 2^2) \times \dots \times (2^n - 2^{n-1}) \leftarrow \text{This suffices} \\ & = (2^n - 1) \cdot 2 \cdot (2^{n-1} - 1) \times 2^2 (2^{n-2} - 1) \times \dots \times 2^{n-1} (2 - 1) \\ & \stackrel{\text{not nec.}}{=} 2^{\frac{(n-1)n}{2}} (2^n - 1) (2^{n-1} - 1) \dots (2 - 1) \\ & = 2^{\frac{(n-1)n}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^n (2^i - 1) \quad // \end{aligned}$$

## Question 2

**Definition:**

Define what it means for a ~~linear~~ map to be injective:

$$f(u) = f(v) \Rightarrow \cancel{f} u = v.$$

**Application:**

Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$ , and suppose that  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is injective. Given linearly independent vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  in  $V$ , ~~prove or disprove~~ that the vectors  $T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)$  are linearly independent in  $W$ .

Proof By contradiction, assume

$$\alpha_1 T(v_1) + \alpha_2 T(v_2) + \dots + \alpha_n T(v_n) = 0$$

$$\underline{\text{not all } \alpha_i = 0}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \Rightarrow \\ T \text{ linear} \end{matrix} T(\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n) = 0 = T(0)$$

$$\begin{matrix} \Rightarrow \\ T \text{ injective} \end{matrix} \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n = 0$$

$\Rightarrow v_1, \dots, v_n$  linearly dependent  
(bc not all  $\alpha_i = 0$ )

QED

Question 3

**Definition:**

Define what it means for two vector spaces to be isomorphic.

$\exists f: U \rightarrow V$   $f$  bijection &  $f$  linear.

**Application:**

Let  $\mathbb{R}_+ := (0, \infty)$  and define

$$\oplus: \mathbb{R}_+^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \quad \text{and} \quad \otimes: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+,$$

by

$$u \oplus v = uv \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda \otimes v = v^\lambda.$$

(i) Show  $(\mathbb{R}_+, \oplus, \mathbb{R}, \otimes)$  is a vector space.

⊕ closure: product of positive numbers is positive ✓

⊖ closure: positive number to power of positive number is positive ✓

⊕ commutes:  $uv = vu$  ✓

⊕ identity: zero vector is 1 b/c  $1 \cdot u = u = u \cdot 1$  ✓

⊖ identity:  $u^0 = u$  ✓

⊖, ⊖ associate:  $u(vw) = (uv)w$ ,  $(u^\lambda)^\mu = u^{\lambda\mu} = u^{(\lambda\mu)}$  ✓

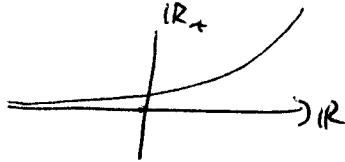
⊖, ⊖ distribute:  $a^{\lambda+\mu} = (a^\lambda)(a^\mu)$ ,  $(uv)^\lambda = u^\lambda v^\lambda$  ✓

⊖ inverse: inverse of  $u$  is  $\frac{1}{u}$  b/c  $u \frac{1}{u} = 1$  ✓

To be continued...

(ii) Prove that the vector spaces  $(\mathbb{R}_+, \oplus, \mathbb{R}, \otimes)$  and  $(\mathbb{R}, +, \mathbb{R}, \cdot)$  are isomorphic. Hint: Try a constructive proof by choosing a special invertible function  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ .

Let  $T: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$   
 $v \xrightarrow{\psi} e^v$



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guided  
prove  
invertibility* ↗ The function  $e^v$  is monotone increasing and  $e^{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R}_+$  so  $T$  is a bijection (its inverse is  $\ln$ ).

Linearity:

$$T(\lambda \odot u + \mu \cdot v)$$

$$= \exp(\lambda u + \mu v)$$

$$= e^{\lambda u} e^{\mu v}$$

$$= (e^u)^\lambda (e^v)^\mu$$

$$= (T(u))^\lambda (T(v))^\mu$$

$$= (\lambda \odot T(u)) \oplus (\mu \odot T(v))$$

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linear

QED