

Series of Tutorial No. 2
A linear mapping

Exercise 1.

Are the following applications from E to F linear? If so, determine a basis of the kernel and a basis of the image.

1. $E = F = \mathbb{R}^2$; for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$:

$$f(x, y) = (2x + 3y, x)$$

2. $E = F = \mathbb{R}^2$; for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$:

$$f(x, y) = (y, x + y + 1)$$

3. $E = \mathbb{R}^3$, $F = \mathbb{R}$; for all $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$:

$$f(x, y, z) = x + 2y + z$$

4. $E = F = \mathbb{R}^2$; for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$:

$$f(x, y) = (x + y, xy)$$

5. $E = F = \mathbb{R}$; for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$f(x) = x^2$$

Exercise 2.

In each case, give the dimension of the kernel of f , then the rank of f . Is the application f injective? Surjective? Bijective?

1. $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, $f(x, y, z) = (y, z, x)$

2. $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, $f(x, y, z) = (x + y, y + z, x - z)$

3. $f : \mathbb{C}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^4$, $f(x, y, z) = (x + y + z)(1, i, -1, i)$

4. $f : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^4$, $f(x, y) = (x - y, x + iy, (2 + i)x + y, 3ix + y)$

5. $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, $f(x, y, z) = (2x + my - z, 2x + 2y, x - 2z)$ depending on the real parameter m

Exercise 3.

Let f and g be endomorphisms of \mathbb{R}^2 defined by:

$$g(x, y) = (y, x) \quad \text{and} \quad f(x, y) = (x + y, 2x)$$

1. *Show that f and g are isomorphisms of \mathbb{R}^2 . Determine f^{-1} and g^{-1} .*

2. Let $h = f \circ g - g \circ f$. Justify that $h \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^2)$, i.e., that h is a linear map.
3. Do we have $f \circ g = g \circ f$? Is h injective?
4. Is the application h surjective?

Exercise 4.

Let $E = \mathbb{R}^3$, and let $B = \{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ be the canonical basis of E . Let u be the endomorphism of \mathbb{R}^3 defined by the images of the basis vectors:

$$\begin{aligned} u(e_1) &= -2e_1 + 2e_3 \\ u(e_2) &= 3e_2 \\ u(e_3) &= -4e_1 + 4e_3 \end{aligned}$$

1. Determine a basis of $\ker u$. Is u injective? Can it be surjective? Justify your answer.
2. Determine a basis of $\text{Im } u$. What is the rank of u ?
3. Show that $E = \ker u \oplus \text{Im } u$.

Exercise 5.

Let E and F be two finite-dimensional vector spaces, and let $f : E \rightarrow F$ be a linear map. Show that f is an isomorphism if and only if the image under f of every basis of E is a basis of F .

Exercise 6.

Let E be a real vector space of dimension 3, and let $f \in \mathcal{L}(E)$ be an endomorphism such that:

$$f^2 \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f^3 = 0.$$

Let $x_0 \in E$ such that $f^2(x_0) \neq 0$.

1. Show that the set $B = \{x_0, f(x_0), f^2(x_0)\}$ is a basis of E .
2. Let $g \in \mathcal{L}(E)$ such that $g \circ f = f \circ g$.

(a) Show that there exist scalars $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ such that:

$$g(x_0) = \alpha x_0 + \beta f(x_0) + \gamma f^2(x_0).$$

(b) Show that:

$$g = \alpha \text{Id}_E + \beta f + \gamma f^2.$$

(c) Deduce the set of endomorphisms of E that commute with f .

Exercise 7.

Let $E = \mathbb{R}^3$ with its canonical basis $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$, and let $f \in \mathcal{L}(E)$ be defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} f(e_1) &= (-2, -4, 5) \\ f(e_2) &= (4, 8, -10) \\ f(e_3) &= (2, 4, -5) \end{aligned}$$

1. Determine the set $H := \{u \in E \mid f(u) = u\}$, and show that it is a vector subspace of E .
2. Determine the kernel of f , i.e., $\ker(f)$.
3. Find a basis of H and a basis of $\ker(f)$.
4. Show that the union of these two bases forms a basis of E .
5. What is the matrix representation (analytical expression) of f in this new basis?