

SOLUTIONS

1. (a) We have

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ T(\underline{x}) &= aT\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) + bT\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &= a \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3a + 4b \\ -a + 5b \\ a - 2b \end{bmatrix}.\end{aligned}$$

(b) First we need to see how to write \underline{x} as a linear combination of the given vectors. We let

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \ell \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k - 2\ell \\ 3\ell - k \end{bmatrix}$$

so $a = k - 2\ell$ and $b = 3\ell - k$. Adding these gives $\ell = a + b$ and so $k = a + 2(a + b) = 3a + 2b$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = (3a + 2b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + (a + b) \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ T(\underline{x}) &= (3a + 2b)T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}\right) + (a + b)T\left(\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &= (3a + 2b)(1 + 2x + 3x^3) + (a + b)(-2 - 4x + 7x^2) \\ &= a + 2ax + 7(a + b)x^2 + 3(3a + 2b)x^3.\end{aligned}$$

2. (a) Observe that

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{so } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) We need to express the standard basis vectors as linear combinations of the given vectors. First we let

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + \ell \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k + 2\ell \\ -3k - 5\ell \end{bmatrix}$$

so $k + 2\ell = 1$ and $-3k - 5\ell = 0$. The second equation tells us that $\ell = -\frac{3}{5}k$, yielding $-\frac{1}{5}k = 1$. Thus $k = -5$ and $\ell = 3$. Then

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = -5T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}\right) + 3T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}\right) = -5 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Next we let

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + \ell \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k + 2\ell \\ -3k - 5\ell \end{bmatrix}$$

so $k + 2\ell = 0$ and $-3k - 5\ell = 1$. From the first equation we obtain $k = -2\ell$, so $\ell = 1$ and $k = -2$. Hence

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = -2T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}\right) + T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}\right) = -2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Finally, we see that $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -3 & -1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

3. We have

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$. Row-reducing A yields

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

so if $A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$ then $x_4 = t$ and $x_3 = s$ are free variables, $x_2 = s$ and $x_1 = t$. Hence

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ s \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

so

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

is a basis for $\ker(T)$. Also, from the leading 1's in the row-reduced form of A , we see that a basis for $\text{im}(T)$ is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Hence the nullity of T and the rank of T are both 2.

4. Let

$$k_1T(\underline{x}_1) + k_2T(\underline{x}_2) + \cdots + k_nT(\underline{x}_n) = \underline{0}.$$

We wish to prove that $k_1 = \cdots = k_n = 0$. But by the basic properties of linear transformations, we can rewrite this as

$$T(k_1\underline{x}_1 + k_2\underline{x}_2 + \cdots + k_n\underline{x}_n) = \underline{0},$$

as because T is one-to-one, we know that $\ker(T) = \{\underline{0}\}$, that is, the only vector which maps to $\underline{0}$ is $\underline{0}$. Hence

$$k_1\underline{x}_1 + k_2\underline{x}_2 + \cdots + k_n\underline{x}_n = \underline{0}.$$

But then, because these vectors are assumed to be linearly independent, we have that $k_1 = \cdots = k_n = 0$, as desired.

5. (a) First we check to see if T is one-to-one by determining $\ker(T)$. If $a + b = 0$ then $a = -b$. If $b + c = 0$ then $b = -c$. If $c + a = 0$ then $c = -a$; and hence $b = a$ and so $a = -a$. This implies $a = 0$ and therefore $b = c = 0$, so $\ker(T) = \{\underline{0}\}$ which means that T is one-to-one.

To see that T is onto, let $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ be any vector in \mathbb{R}^3 . Let $x = a + b$, $y = b + c$, $z = c + a$.

Then $b = x - a$ and $c = z - a$ so $y = x + z - 2a$ and $a = \frac{1}{2}(x - y + z)$. This tells us that $x = \frac{1}{2}(x - y + z) + b$ so $b = \frac{1}{2}(x + y - z)$, and $z = c + \frac{1}{2}(x - y + z)$ so $c = \frac{1}{2}(-x + y + z)$. In other words,

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(x - y + z) \\ \frac{1}{2}(x + y - z) \\ \frac{1}{2}(-x + y + z) \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

for any x, y, z , and so T is onto. Hence T is an isomorphism.

- (b) Recall that the zero vector in P_3 is the polynomial with only zero coefficients. Then $a + b = 0$, $d = 0$, $c = 0$ and $a - b = 0$. The first and fourth equations tells us that $a = b = 0$ as well, so $\ker(T) = \{\underline{0}\}$ and thus T is one-to-one.

Let $k_0 + k_1x + k_2x^2 + k_3x^3$ be any vector in P_3 . Then we set $a + b = k_0$, $d = k_1$, $c = k_2$ and $a - b = k_3$. Adding the first and fourth equations yields $a = \frac{1}{2}(k_0 + k_3)$ while subtracting

them tells us that $b = \frac{1}{2}(k_0 = k_3)$. Hence

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(k_0 + k_3) & \frac{1}{2}(k_0 - k_3) \\ k_2 & k_1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = k_0 + k_1x + k_2x^2 + k_3x^3$$

for any coefficients k_0, k_1, k_2, k_3 , and thus T is onto. We can now conclude that it is an isomorphism.

6. If $p(x) = k_0 + k_1x + k_2x^2$ then

$$ST(p(x)) = S(k_1 + k_2x + k_0x^2) = k_1 + (k_0 + k_1 + k_2)x + (4k_0 + k_1 + 2k_2)x^2$$

and

$$TS(p(x)) = T(k_0 + (k_0 + k_1 + k_2)x + (k_0 + 2k_1 + 4k_2)x^2) = (k_0 + k_1 + k_2) + (k_0 + 2k_1 + 4k_2)x + k_0x^2.$$

7. Since S is one-to-one, the only vector mapped to $\underline{0}$ (in U) is $\underline{0}$ (in W). But since T is one-to-one, the only vector mapped to $\underline{0}$ (in W) is $\underline{0}$ (in V). Thus the only vector that ST maps to $\underline{0}$ (in U) is $\underline{0}$ (in V), that is, $\ker(ST) = \{\underline{0}\}$. Hence ST is one-to-one.

8. To show that T is invertible, we must show that it is an isomorphism. If T maps to the zero vector then we have $a - c = 0$, $b - d = 0$, $2a - c = 0$ and $2b - d = 0$. The first and third equations tell us that $a = 2a$ and so $a = c = 0$. Similarly, the second and fourth equations tell us that $b = d = 0$. Thus $\ker(T) = \{\underline{0}\}$ and so T is one-to-one.

Next, let $\begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{bmatrix}$ be any vector in M_{22} . Then we set $a - c = x$, $b - d = y$, $2a - c = z$, $2b - d = w$. Subtracting the first equation from the third equation, we see that $a = z - x$ and so $c = z - 2x$. Subtracting the second equation from the fourth equation, we see that $b = w - y$ and so $d = w - 2y$. Hence

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} z - x & w - y \\ z - 2x & w - 2y \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{bmatrix}$$

for any x, y, z, w . Thus T is onto and therefore is an isomorphism. This also tells us that

$$T^{-1} \left(\begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} z - x & w - y \\ z - 2x & w - 2y \end{bmatrix}.$$