

Please solve these problems on other paper and clearly label each problem in the order which they are given here. Staple your work in the upper left corner with a metal staple and do not fold. Please show work for full credit. I am interested in the steps. This instruction applies for the remainder of the problem sets and it is assumed you remember this. **Thanks!**

Please do your best with the time you have, I would rather get two solved problems than none. Also, notice some of these problems are very simple. I marked the ones that I suspect take deeper thinking with \*. In this particular Problem Set, many of the problems are little more than understanding notation and doing a simple, short calculation. Also, remember your calculus III, to find vector from  $P$  to  $Q$  use  $v = Q - P$  this is especially relevant to Problems 1 and 2.

**Problem 1** Suppose a line  $\mathcal{L}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  contains the points  $(1, 1, 1)$  and  $(2, 4, 6)$ . Describe  $\mathcal{L}$  as follows:

- (a.) parametrically with parameter  $\lambda$ .
- (b.) as the solution set of one or more equations in  $x, y, z$ .

**Problem 2** Suppose a plane  $\mathcal{P}$  contains the points  $(1, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ ,  $(1, 2, 0, \dots, 0)$  and  $(2, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Describe  $\mathcal{P}$  as follows:

- (a.) parametrically with parameters  $\alpha, \beta$
- (b.) as the solution set of one or more equations in  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ .

**Problem 3** Suppose  $\beta = \{1, x-1, (x-1)^2\}$  is a basis for polynomials  $P_2$ . Find the coordinate vector of  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  with respect to  $\beta$ . That is, find  $\Phi_\beta(f(x))$ . Furthermore, suppose  $T : P_2 \rightarrow P_2$  is defined by  $T(f(x)) = f''(x)$ . Find the matrix of  $T$  w.r.t. the basis  $\beta$ ; that is, calculate  $[T]_{\beta, \beta}$ .

**Problem 4** Suppose  $X, Y$  are sets and  $V \subseteq Y$  and  $U \subseteq X$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function, we define the **inverse image of  $V$  under  $f$**  by:

$$f^{-1}(V) = \{x \in X \mid f(x) \in V\},$$

likewise, define the **image of  $U$  under  $f$**  by:

$$f(U) = \{y \in Y \mid \text{there exists } x \in U \text{ with } f(x) = y\} = \{f(x) \mid x \in U\}.$$

Given the definitions above, calculate the images and inverse images given below ( find the set which describes the image or inverse image and if possible identify it geometrically) :

- (a.) if  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  $F(x, y) = y - x^2 - 1$  then describe  $F^{-1}\{0\}$  as a point-set.
- (b.) if  $G : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is given by  $G(x, y, z) = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2, z)$  describe  $G^{-1}(R^2, k)$  geometrically. What condition do we need for  $G^{-1}(R^2, k) \neq \emptyset$ ? (assume  $R, k \in \mathbb{R}$ )
- (c.) let  $X : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be defined by  $X(s, t) = p + sv + tw$  where  $v, w$  are linearly independent  $n$ -vectors and  $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Describe  $X([0, 1]^2)$ .

**Problem 5** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  the **standard matrix** of  $T$  is denoted  $[T] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and is defined by  $[T]_{ij} = [T(e_j)]_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq m$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . In matrix notation, this definition is nicely written as  $[T] = [T(e_1)|T(e_2)|\cdots|T(e_n)]$ . Use the given definition to find the standard matrix for the linear transformations given below:

- (a.)  $T_1(x, y) = (x + 2y, 3x + 4y)$
- (b.)  $T_2(x, y) = (x + y, 2x + 2y, 3x + 3y)$
- (c.)  $T_3(x, y, z) = x + 2y + 3z$
- (d.)  $T_4(x) = (x, 2x, 3x)$

**Problem 6** Calculate the composition  $T_3 \circ T_2 \circ T_1$  in two ways:

- (a.) from the definition of function composition  $(T_3 \circ T_2 \circ T_1)(x, y) = T_3(T_2(T_1(x, y)))$ ,
- (b.) via matrix multiplication  $(T_3 \circ T_2 \circ T_1)(x, y) = [T_3 \circ T_2 \circ T_1](x, y) = [T_3][T_2][T_1][x, y]^T$ .

*remark: this is why the product of matrices is defined as it is.*

**Problem 7** Let  $A_3 = \{A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3} \mid A^T = -A\}$ . Find a basis  $\{f_1, f_2, f_3\}$  for  $A_3$  by writing  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$  and studying the condition  $A^T = -A$ . You should find  $\dim(A_3) = 3$ .

**Bonus:** study the isomorphism  $\Phi : A_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by linearly extending  $\Phi(f_i) = e_i$ , if we think of antisymmetric  $3 \times 3$  matrices as vectors then what is the geometric meaning of matrix multiplication for  $A_3$ ?

**Problem 8\*** Suppose  $P$  is a parallelogram in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  in the octant with positive coordinates. Furthermore, define  $P = \{\vec{r}_o + u\vec{A} + v\vec{B} \mid (u, v) \in [0, 1]^2\}$ .

- (a.) find  $Area(P)$ .
- (b.) define  $L_{ij}(\vec{v}) = (\vec{v} \cdot \hat{x}_i) \hat{x}_i + (\vec{v} \cdot \hat{x}_j) \hat{x}_j$  and prove using properties of dot-products that  $L_{ij}$  is a linear transformation.
- (c.) assume that linear transformations map parallelograms to lines, parallelograms or points and use this presupposition to establish the following equation:

$$Area(P)^2 = Area(L_{12}(P))^2 + Area(L_{31}(P))^2 + Area(L_{23}(P))^2$$

**Problem 9** Let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $A, X \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  we define  $AB \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$ ,  $A + X, cA \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  by:

$$(AB)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n A_{ik}B_{kj}, \quad (A + X)_{ij} = A_{ij} + X_{ij}, \quad (cA)_{ij} = cA_{ij}.$$

Using the index notation given above, show (for appropriately sized matrices)

- (a.)  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$
- (b.) if  $(A^T)_{ij} = A_{ji}$  for all  $i, j$  then  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$  (socks-shoes identity)
- (c.) If  $I \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  such that  $I_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$  and  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  then  $IX = X$ .

**Problem 10** It is convenient to introduce some notation: the *Kronecker delta* is defined by

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}. \text{ Note the standard basis for } \mathbb{R}^n \text{ is nicely described by } (e_i)_j = \delta_{ij}.$$

It is also often convenient to introduce the completely antisymmetric symbol in  $n$ -dimensions (the Levi-Civita symbol);

$$\epsilon_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} = \det[e_{i_1} | e_{i_2} | \dots | e_{i_n}].$$

The formula above means that  $\epsilon_{12\dots n} = \det[I] = 1$  and all other nontrivial values can be obtained by swapping indices. Each swap changes the sign. For example,  $\epsilon_{123\dots n} = -\epsilon_{213\dots n} = -1$ . If any index is repeated then the antisymmetric symbol is zero.

A popular convention in physics and some math is that when an index is repeated a summation is implied. For example,  $A_i B_i = \sum_i A_i B_i$  where the  $\sum_i$  ranges over whatever is the accepted range of the index  $i$ . Let  $A_i, B_i$  denote three-dimensional vectors. Verify that

(a.)  $A \cdot B = A_i B_i$

(b.)  $A \times B = A_i B_j \epsilon_{ijk} e_k$