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Department of Mathematics and Statistics- Term 141**

Final Exam : Math 550, Linear Algebra

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Exercise 1. (5-5-5)

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^3$ and let $B = \{(1, 0, 1), (1, 1, 1), (0, 0, 1)\}$ and $B' = \{(1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 0), (-1, 0, 0)\}$ two bases for V .

(1) Find the transition matrix P from B' to B .

(2) Let T a linear operator on V with $[T]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Find $[T]_{B'}$.

(3) Is T an isomorphism?

Exercise 2. (5-5-5-5 points)

Let V be an m -dimensional vector space over F and T a linear operator with m distinct characteristic values $c_1 = 1, c_2, \dots, c_m$ such that $|c_j| < 1$ for $j = 2, \dots, m$.

(1) Prove that for every vector $\alpha \in V$, $\lim T^n \alpha$ exists.

We define a linear operator U on V by $U\alpha = \lim T^n \alpha$.

(2) Find $\dim(\text{Nullspace}(U))$ and a basis B_1 for it.

(3) Find $\dim(\text{range}(U))$ and a basis B_2 for it.

(4) Find the matrix representing U in the basis $B = B_1 \cup B_2$.

Exercise 3. (4-5-5-6)

Let V be an n -dimensional vector space over the field of rational numbers \mathbb{Q} and T a non-singular linear operator on V such that $T^{-1} = T^2 + T$.

- (1) Find the minimal polynomial of T .
- (2) Prove that 3 divides $\dim V$.
- (3) Find the rational form matrix associated to T .
- (4) Prove that every nonzero vector in V is a cyclic vector if and only if $\dim V = 3$.

Exercise 4. (4-4-6-6 points)

Let V be an n -dimensional vector space over a field F and T a linear operator.

- (1) Assume that T has exactly n distinct characteristic values:
 - (i) Prove that every linear operator U commuting with T is diagonalizable.
 - (ii) Prove that if U is a nilpotent operator commuting with T , then $U = 0$.
- (2) Conversely, assume that T commutes with no nonzero nilpotent operator.
 - (iii) Prove that if c is a multiple characteristic value of T , then the Jordan block matrix J_c in the Jordan matrix form of T commutes with a nilpotent matrix B_c to be determined.
 - (iv) Use the result of (iii) to prove that T has exactly n characteristic values.

Exercise 5. (5-5-5-5)

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^3$ endowed with its standard inner product and let B the ordered basis $B = \{u_1 = (1, 0, 1), u_2 = (1, 1, 1), u_3 = (0, 0, 2)\}$.

- (1) Apply Gram-Schmidt process to B to obtain an orthonormal ordered basis $B' = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ for V .
- (2) Let $W = \text{span}\{v_2, v_3\}$ and E the orthogonal projection of V onto W . Find a formula for $E(x, y, z)$.
- (3) Find $[E]_S$, the matrix representing E in the standard basis S .
- (4) Find $[E]_{B'}$.

Exercise 6. (5-5-5-5-5)

Let V be an n -dimensional complex inner product space and T a normal linear operator.

- (1) Prove that $\text{Nullspace}(T) = \text{Nullspace}(T^*)$.
- (2) Prove that $\text{Nullspace}(T)$ is the orthogonal complement of $\text{range}(T)$ (that is, $\text{Nullspace}(T) = (\text{rang}(T))^\perp$). Deduce that $\text{Nullspace}(T) = \text{Nullspace}(T^2)$.
- (3) Suppose that there is two polynomials $f(X)$ and $g(X)$ relatively prime and $\alpha, \beta \in V$ such that $f(T)\alpha = g(T)\beta = 0$. Prove that $(\alpha|\beta) = 0$.
- (4) Prove that there exist two linear self-adjoint operators T_1 and T_2 with $T_1T_2 = T_2T_1$ such that $T = T_1 + iT_2$ (i is the complex number with $i^2 = -1$).
- (5) Prove that there is a polynomial $h \in \mathbb{C}[X]$ such that $T^* = h(T)$.

Exercise 7. (5-5-5-5)

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^3$, $S = \{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ its standard basis and f the skew symmetric bilinear form on V defined by $f(X, Y) = x_1y_2 - x_1y_3 - x_2y_1 + 2x_2y_3 + x_3y_1 - 2x_3y_2$.

- (1) Find $[f]_S$.
- (2) Find $\text{rank}(f)$.
- (3) Let $W = \text{span}\{e_1, e_2\}$. Find a basis B for W^\perp .
- (4) Find $[f]_{B'}$ where B' is the basis $B' = \{e_1, e_2\} \cup B$.