

MATH 54 QUIZ I, KYLE MILLER
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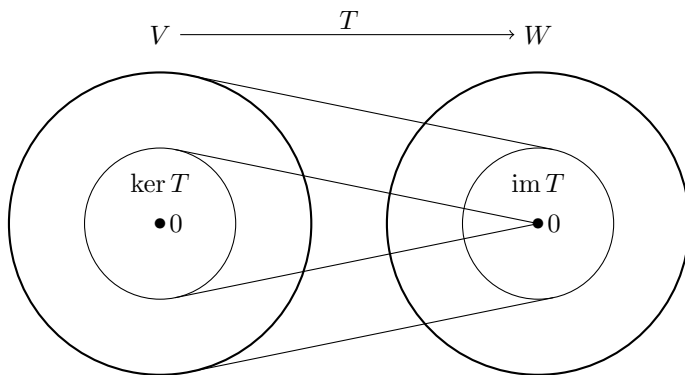
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*No calculators, no references, no cheat sheets.
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Glossary

- ker T : the *kernel* of a linear transformation T .
- im T : the *image* or *range* of a linear transformation T .
- onto: for $T : V \rightarrow W$, im $T = W$.
- one-to-one: for $T : V \rightarrow W$, ker $T = \{0\}$.
- basis: a linearly independent spanning set.
- dimension: the number of vectors in a basis for a vector space.



1. (6 points) For each of the following, find all values of $a \in \mathbb{R}$ (if any) so that the given set of vectors spans \mathbb{R}^3 .

(a)

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ a \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

(b)

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

(b)

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ a \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

2. (5 points) Consider the linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by

$$T(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x}.$$

(a) Find a basis for $\text{im } T$.

(b) Find a basis for $\ker T$.

(c) Find a linear transformation $F : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ whose image is $\ker T$, and where F is one-to-one. You get to choose the vector space V .

3. (6 points) \mathbb{P}_2 is the vector space of polynomials of degree at most two, with real coefficients.
- (a) Let S be the set of all polynomials from \mathbb{P}_2 whose derivative at 0 is 0 (that is, $p'(0) = 0$). Show that S is a vector subspace of \mathbb{P}_2 .

(b) What is the dimension of S ?

(c) Let $T : \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2$ be defined by $T(p) = p(x-1) - p(x)$. (For instance, $T(x^2 + 1) = ((x-1)^2 + 1) - (x^2 + 1)$.) What are $\ker T$ and $\text{im } T$? Describe them by finding a basis for each.

4. (5 points) Let A be an $n \times m$ matrix and B be an $m \times n$ matrix such that $BA = I_m$.

(a) What is the dimension of $\text{Col } B$?

(b) What is the dimension of $\text{Nul } A$?

(c) Which of the following cannot happen? $n > m$ or $m > n$? Explain why not.

For fun. (0 points) Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix such that $A^2 = A$. Which vectors are in both $\text{Col } A$ and $\text{Nul } A$?