

Math 314/514 Problem Set 4 (two pages)

Study/read:

Ch 2 & 3 from *Linear Algebra* by Hoffman & Kunze or Ch 1 & 2 from *LADW* by Treil.

Review/complete all the details of the proofs of the following assertions from class (although some assertions hold more general, we assume that R is commutative, $1_R \neq 0_R$).

• Matrices:

- Multiplication of matrices, when defined, is associative.
- For all $A \in R^{m \times n}$, one has $\mathbf{I}_m A = A = A \mathbf{I}_n$, where $\mathbf{I}_m, \mathbf{I}_n$ are the identity matrices.
- $\varphi : R \rightarrow R^{m \times m}$, $a \mapsto a \mathbf{I}_m$ is a ring morphism s.t. $\varphi(a)A = A\varphi(a)$ for all a, A .

• Coordinate vectors/maps: M is an R -module, $\mathcal{E} = (e_1, \dots, e_m)$ standard basis of $R^{m \times 1}$.

- Let $\mathcal{A} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$ be a basis of M . The coordinate map $[\]_{\mathcal{A}} : M \rightarrow R^{m \times 1}$ defined by $x \mapsto [x]_{\mathcal{A}}$ is an isomorphism of R -modules which maps \mathcal{A} onto \mathcal{E} .
- Conversely, if $\iota : M \rightarrow R^{m \times 1}$ is an isomorphism of R -modules, and $\mathcal{A} := \iota^{-1}(\mathcal{E})$, then \mathcal{A} is a basis of M such that $[x]_{\mathcal{A}} = \iota(x)$ for all $x \in M$.

• Change of basis: Let $\mathcal{A} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$, $\mathcal{A}' = (\alpha'_1, \dots, \alpha'_m)$ be generators of an R -module M .

- Suppose that $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}'$ are bases of M . Then there exists a *unique* matrix $S_{\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{A}} \in \text{GL}_m(R)$ s.t. $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}' S_{\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{A}}$. Further, $[x]_{\mathcal{A}'} = S_{\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{A}} [x]_{\mathcal{A}}$.
- Conversely, suppose that $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}' S$ for some $S \in \text{GL}_m(R)$. Then \mathcal{A} is a basis of M iff \mathcal{A}' is a basis of M . If so, then $S = S_{\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{A}}$ is the matrix from the previous item a).

• Morphisms & Matrices, Base change formulas: Let $\mathcal{A} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$, $\mathcal{A}' = (\alpha'_1, \dots, \alpha'_m)$ and $\mathcal{B} = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$, $\mathcal{B}' = (\beta'_1, \dots, \beta'_n)$ be bases of the the R -modules M , respectively N . Recall/review/check all the details in the proofs of the following basic facts from the class:

- $\Psi_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} : \text{Hom}_R(N, M) \rightarrow R^{m \times n}$, $f \mapsto [f]_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}}$ is an isomorphism of R -modules.
- $\Psi_{\mathcal{A}} : \text{End}_R(M) \rightarrow R^{m \times m}$, $f \mapsto [f]_{\mathcal{A}} := [f]_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}}$ is an isomorphism of R -algebras.
- One has: $[f(y)]_{\mathcal{A}} = [f]_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} [y]_{\mathcal{B}}$ for all $y \in N$.
- What are the columns of $S_{\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{A}}$, respectively $S_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}'}$?
- For $f \in \text{Hom}_R(N, M)$, $g \in \text{End}_R(M)$, one has the base change formulas:

$$[f]_{\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{B}'} = S_{\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{A}} [f]_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} S_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}'}, \quad [g]_{\mathcal{A}'} = S_{\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{A}} [g]_{\mathcal{A}} S_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}'} = S_{\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{A}} [g]_{\mathcal{A}} S_{\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{A}}^{-1}.$$

Basics about matrices

- 1) Are the assertions from **Change of basis** above true if $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}'$ are not necessarily bases? Is it true that for $A \in R^{m \times n}$ one has: $A = \mathbf{0}_{m \times n}$ iff $Ab = \mathbf{0}_n$ for all $b \in R^{n \times 1}$?
- 2) Recall that $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j} \in R^{n \times n}$ is called **upper diagonal** if $a_{ij} = 0$ for $i > j$. Prove/disprove: *An upper diagonal matrix $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j} \in R^{n \times n}$ is invertible iff $a_{ii} \in R^\times$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$.*
- 3) For $m < n$ let A be an $m \times n$ matrix and B be an $n \times m$ matrix.
 - a) Give examples to show that AB can be invertible, but BA is not invertible.
 - b)* Are there examples in which BA is invertible?

- 4) Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix and B be an $n \times m$ matrix. Answer the following:
- Suppose that $m = 2 = n$. Show that if $AB = \mathbf{I}_2$, then $BA = \mathbf{I}_2$. Is it true that $m = n$ and $AB = \mathbf{I}_m$ always imply $BA = \mathbf{I}_m$?
 - Suppose that $m, n \leq 2$. Show that if $AB = \mathbf{I}_m$ and $BA = \mathbf{I}_n$, then $m = n$. Is the same true correspondingly for all m, n ?

Review/complete all the details of the proofs of the following assertions from class (although some assertions hold more general, we assume that R is commutative, $1_R \neq 0_R$).

- Elementary matrices/matrix operations: Check all the details in the proof of the following assertion from the class:

- If $A \in R^{m \times n}$ or $A \in M^{m \times n}$ has rows $\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_m$, then $\mathbf{e}_{kl}A$ has rows $\delta_{1k}\mathbf{r}_l, \dots, \delta_{mk}\mathbf{r}_l$.
- If A has columns $\mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_n$, then $A\mathbf{e}_{kl}$ has columns $\delta_{1l}\mathbf{c}_k, \dots, \delta_{nl}\mathbf{c}_m$.
- $E_k(a)$ is invertible iff $a \in R^\times$. Second, $E(k, l)$ and $E_{kl}(a)$ ($k \neq l$) are always invertible.
- EA is the result of the corresponding row operation on $A \in R^{m \times n}$ given in class.
- Correspondingly the same for the column operations.

- 5) Let $E_1(a)$, $E(1, 2)$ and $E_{12}(a)$ be the elementary matrices as defined in class. Prove/disprove:
- $E_1(a)$ commutes with $E_k(b)$, $E(k, l)$, and $E_{kl}(b)$, provided $k, l \neq 1$. Is the converse true? What is the general commuting assertion for $E_i(a)$?
 - $E(1, 2)$ commutes with $E(k, l)$, respectively $E_{kl}(b)$, provided $k, l \neq 1, 2$. Is the converse true? What is the general commuting assertion for $E(i, j)$?
 - $E_{12}(a)$ commutes with $E_{kl}(b)$, provided $k, l \neq 1, 2$. Is the converse true? What is the general commuting assertion for $E_{ij}(a)$?

6) Using elementary row transformations, compute the row/column reduced (echelon) form of the matrices below; if invertible, find their inverses. (Consider $\bar{0}, \bar{1}$ in \mathbb{F}_2 or \mathbb{F}_3 separately.)

a) $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{1} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{5} \end{pmatrix}$ b) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & i+1 \\ 4 & 9 & 2i \end{pmatrix}$ c) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ d) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ e) $\begin{pmatrix} \bar{0} & \bar{1} & \bar{1} & \bar{0} \\ \bar{1} & \bar{1} & \bar{1} & \bar{0} \\ \bar{1} & \bar{0} & \bar{1} & \bar{0} \\ \bar{1} & \bar{0} & \bar{1} & \bar{1} \end{pmatrix}$

7) The famous Hilbert matrices are $n \times n$ symmetric matrices from $\mathbb{Q}^{n \times n}$ of the form:

$$H(n) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{1} & \frac{1}{2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{n} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & \cdots & \frac{1}{n+1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{n} & \frac{1}{n+1} & \cdots & \frac{1}{2n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Show that $H(2)$, $H(3)$, $H(4)$ are invertible, and the inverses have integer coefficients.
- Try to prove that $H(n)$ are invertible, and the inverse matrix has integer coefficients.

(*) Google the term **Hilbert matrix** and learn more about it.