

**MATHEMATICS 211**

ASSIGNMENT 4

Due: October 1, 2014

01° Let  $L$  be the linear mapping carrying  $\mathbf{R}^3$  to  $\mathbf{R}^2$  for which the matrix relative to the standard bases:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

for  $\mathbf{R}^3$  and  $\mathbf{R}^2$ , respectively, stands as follows:

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 12 & 10 \\ 6 & 6 & 18 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find the *nullspace*  $\mathcal{N}(L)$  for  $L$ , composed of all vectors  $X$ :

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix}$$

in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  for which:

$$L(X) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 12 & 10 \\ 6 & 6 & 18 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Show that, in fact,  $\mathcal{N}(L)$  is a line in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  passing through the origin. Find the *rangespace*  $\mathcal{R}(L)$  for  $L$ , composed of all vectors  $Y$ :

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \end{pmatrix}$$

in  $\mathbf{R}^2$  for which there exists a vector  $X$ :

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix}$$

in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  such that:

$$L(X) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 12 & 10 \\ 6 & 6 & 18 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \end{pmatrix} = Y$$

Show that, in fact,  $\mathcal{R}(L) = \mathbf{R}^2$ .

02° Let  $L$  be the mapping carrying  $\mathbf{R}^2$  to  $\mathbf{R}^3$ , defined as follows:

$$L\left(\begin{pmatrix} s \\ t \end{pmatrix}\right) = (s - t) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + (s + t) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $s$  and  $t$  are any real numbers. Note that  $L$  a linear mapping. Find the matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \\ * & * \end{pmatrix}$$

which defines  $L$ .

03° Calculate the determinant of the following matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

To that end, apply the characteristic properties of determinants.

04° Calculate the determinant of the following *rook placement* matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

05° Let  $L$  be the linear mapping carrying  $\mathbf{R}^2$  to  $\mathbf{R}^2$ , defined by the following matrix, having 2 rows and 2 columns:

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$  are any real numbers. Let  $A$  be the subset of  $\mathbf{R}^2$  consisting of all vectors:

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

for which  $0 \leq u \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq v \leq 1$ . Let  $B$  be the image of  $A$  under  $L$ , consisting of all vectors:

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \end{pmatrix}$$

in  $\mathbf{R}^2$  for which there is some vector  $X$ :

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

in  $A$  such that:

$$L(X) = \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \end{pmatrix} = Y$$

Show that the area of  $B$  equals:

$$|ad - bc| = |\det(L)|$$

06° Let  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  be any numbers. Show that:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{pmatrix} = (c - b)(c - a)(b - a)$$

07• Let  $c$  and  $d$  be positive constants. Let  $E$  be the subset of  $\mathbf{R}^2$  composed of all positions:

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

in  $\mathbf{R}^2$  such that:

$$\sqrt{(x + c)^2 + y^2} + \sqrt{(x - c)^2 + y^2} = d$$

In terms of  $c$  and  $d$ , find the positive constants  $a$  and  $b$  such that, for any position:

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

in  $\mathbf{R}^2$ ,  $Z$  lies in  $E$  iff:

$$\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{b}\right)^2 = 1$$

You should express  $a$  and  $b$  in terms of  $c$  and  $d$ . One refers to  $E$  as an *ellipse* with *focii* at:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -c \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} c \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Draw a picture of  $E$ , displaying the focii and indicating the significance of  $a$  and  $b$ .