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#### 6. Linear Maps and Bases; - The Rank Theorem

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Let *K* be a field

- **6.1** Let V and W be finite dimensional K-vector spaces. Show that
- (a) There is an injective K-homomorphism from V into W if and only if  $Dim_K V < Dim_K W$ . Deduce that a homogeneous linear system of m equations in n unknowns over K with n > m has a non-trivial solution in  $K^n$ .
- (b) There is a surjective K-homomorphism from V onto W if and only if  $Dim_K V \ge Dim_K W$ . Deduce that a linear system  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}X_j = b_i$ , i = 1, ..., m of m equations in n unknowns over K with n < m has no solution in  $K^n$  for some  $(b_1, ..., b_m) \in K^m$ .
- (c) A homogeneous linear system  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}X_j = 0$ , i = 1, ..., n of n equations in n unknowns over K has a non-trivial solution in  $K^n$  if and only if at least one of the corresponding inhomogeneous system of linear equations  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}X_j = b_i$ , i = 1, ..., n has no solution in  $K^n$ .
- **6.2** Let f and g be endomorphisms of the finite dimensional K-vector space V. If  $g \circ f$  is an automorphism of V, then show that both g and f are also automorphisms of V.
- **6.3** Let f be an operator on the finite dimensional K-vector space V. Show that the following (i) Ker  $f = \operatorname{Im} f$ . (ii)  $f^2 = 0$  and  $\operatorname{Dim}_K V = 2 \cdot \operatorname{Rank} f$ . statements are equivalent:
- \*6.4 Let  $f_i: V_i \to V_{i+1}$ ,  $i=1,\cdots,r$ , be surjective K-vector space homomorphisms with finite dimensional kernels. Then the composition  $f := f_r \circ \cdots \circ f_1$  from  $V_1$  to  $V_{r+1}$  also has finite dimensional kernel and  $\operatorname{Dim}_{K}\operatorname{Ker} f = \sum_{i=1}^{r} \operatorname{Dim}_{K}\operatorname{Ker} f_{i}.$

(**Hint:** Prove the assertion by induction on r. For the inductive-step consider the map Ker  $f \to \text{Ker } f_r \circ \cdots \circ f_2$  $x \mapsto f_1(x)$ . Check that this map is K-linear, surjective and apply the Rank-Theorem. – **Remark:** For example (see Test-Exercises T3.10 and T5.5): Let  $P(X) = (X - \lambda_1) \cdots (X - \lambda_n)$  be a polynomial in  $\mathbb{C}[X]$  with (not necessarily distinct) zeros  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then the differential operator  $P(D) = (D - \lambda_1) \cdots (D - \lambda_n)$  on  $C^{\infty}_{\mathbb{C}}(I)$ , where  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is an interval has *n*-dimensional kernel, since for every  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $D - \lambda$  is surjective (proof!) and has 1-dimensional kernel  $\mathbb{C}e^{\lambda t}$ . Moreover, if  $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_r, r \leq n$ , are distinct zeros of P(X) with multiplicities  $n_1, \ldots, n_r$ , then the quasi-polynomials  $e^{\lambda_1 t}, te^{\lambda_1 t}, \ldots, t^{n_1-1}e^{\lambda_1 t}; \ldots; e^{\lambda_r t}, te^{\lambda_r t}, \ldots, t^{n_r-1}e^{\lambda_r t}$  are nlinearly independent functions in Ker  $\mathbb{P}(D)$ . In particular, they form a basis of Ker P(D) and is called a fundamental system of solutions of the differential equation P(D)y = 0.)

It is strongly recommended to read and understand the Exercise 6.5. The (complete) solution is provided by using the two basic theorems (stated in Footnote 1 and Footnote 2) in the context of fourier transformations. This problem is important not only for its own sake but also for applications to Physics, Chemistry and Engineering, Signal-Processing and Information Theory, since many data obtained by Spectroscopy, X-ray analysis and the like, are nothing other than Fourier coefficients of functions which one wishes to determine. The simplest way to try to recapture f by means of the Fourier series of f.

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**6.5** Let  $\eta$  be a positive real number and let  $V_{\eta}$  be the  $\mathbb{C}$ -subspace (of the  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector space  $\mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{R}}$  of all functions  $\mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{C}$ ) generated by the functions  $e^{i\omega t}$ ,  $\omega \in (-\eta, \eta)$ .

(a) The given family of functions form a  $\mathbb{C}$ -basis of  $V_{\eta}$ . Further, show that the (real-valued) functions  $1, \sin \omega t, \cos \omega t, \ \omega \in (0, \eta)$  also form a  $\mathbb{C}$ -basis of  $V_{\eta}$ . In particular, the real-valued functions in  $V_{\eta}$  are precisely the (finite) sums of constant real-functions and of harmonic oscillations with angular frequency  $< \eta$ . (**Proof:** Since  $V_{\eta}$  is generated (over  $\mathbb{C}$ ) by  $e^{i\omega t}, \ \omega \in (-\eta, \eta)$ , it is enough to prove that they are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{C}$ . For this we need to show that the functions  $e^{i\omega_j t}, \ j=1,\ldots,n\in\mathbb{N}^+$ , are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{C}$  for all pairwise distinct  $\omega_1,\ldots,\omega_n\in(-\eta,\eta)$ . We shall prove this by induction on n. The case n=1 is trivial. Now, suppose that  $\sum_{j=1}^n a_j e^{i\omega_j t}=0$  for  $a_1,\ldots,a_n\in\mathbb{C}$  and all  $t\in\mathbb{R}$ . Then  $i\omega_n\cdot\sum_{j=1}^n a_j e^{i\omega_j t}=\sum_{j=1}^n i\omega_n\cdot a_j e^{i\omega_j t}=0$ , on the other hand by differentiating we get  $\sum_{j=1}^n i\omega_j a_j e^{i\omega_j t}=0$  and hence  $\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} i(\omega_n-\omega_j)\cdot a_j e^{i\omega_j t}=0$ . Now, since by induction hypothesis, the functions  $e^{i\omega_j t},\ j=1,\ldots,n-1$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{C}$ , it follows that  $i(\omega_n-\omega_j)\cdot a_j=0$ , and hence  $a_j=0$ , since  $\omega_n\neq\omega_j$  for all  $j=1,\ldots,n-1$ . Finally, by the case  $n=1,a_n=0$ .

Since  $e^{\mathrm{i}\omega t} = \cos \omega t + \mathrm{i}\sin \omega t$ , it follows that the functions  $1\sin \omega t$ ,  $\cos \omega t$ ,  $\omega \in (0, \eta)$  also form a generating system for the  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector space  $V_{\eta}$ . Moreover, they are also linearly independent over  $\mathbb{C}$ : from  $a_0 + \sum_{\omega \in (0,\eta)} (a_{\omega}\cos \omega t + b_{\omega}\sin \omega t) = 0$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a_0, a_{\omega}, b_{\omega} \in \mathbb{C}$ , by replacing t by -t it follows

that  $a_0 + \sum_{\omega \in (0,\eta)} (a_{\omega} \cos \omega t - b_{\omega} \sin \omega t) = 0$ . Subtracting these equations we get  $0 = \sum_{\omega \in (0,\eta)} 2b_{\omega} \sin \omega t = 0$ 

 $-i\sum_{\omega\in(0,\eta)}b_{\omega}(e^{i\omega t}-e^{i(-\omega)t})$  and hence  $b_{\omega}=0$  for all  $\omega$ , since we have already show that the functions

 $e^{\mathrm{i}\omega t}$ ,  $\omega \in (-\eta, \eta)$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb C$ . Finally, by adding the above two equations conclude that  $a_0 + \sum_{\omega \in (0,\eta)} 2a_\omega (e^{\mathrm{i}\omega t} + e^{\mathrm{i}(-\omega)t})$  and hence  $a_\omega = 0$  for all  $\omega$ .)

(b) The  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map  $F: V_{\eta} \to \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}}$  defined by  $f \mapsto \left(f(n\pi/\eta)\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is injective. (**Proof:** The  $\mathbb{C}$ -linearity of the map F is clear by definitions. Consider  $f \in \operatorname{Ker} F$ . By part (a) we know that f is a (finite) linear combination  $f = \sum_{\omega \in (-\eta, \eta)} a_{\omega} e^{i\omega t}$ . Since  $f \in \operatorname{Ker} F$ , we have  $f(n\pi/\eta) = 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Putting

$$\lambda_{\omega} := e^{\mathrm{i}\omega\pi/\eta}$$
, we get  $\sum_{\omega \in (-\eta,\eta)}^{\omega \in (-\eta,\eta)} a_{\omega} \lambda_{\omega}^n = \sum_{\omega \in (-\eta,\eta)} a_{\omega} e^{\mathrm{i}n\omega\pi/\eta t} = 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . From  $-\pi < \omega\pi/\eta < \pi$ , it

follows that the  $\lambda_{\omega}$  are pairwise distinct. Now Exercise 3.4-(b) shows that  $a_{\omega} = 0$  for all  $\omega$ , i. e. f = 0. Therefore we have Ker F = 0 and hence F is injective.)

**Remarks:** A linear combination f of harmonic oscillations with angular frequencies  $<\eta$ , i. e. frequencies  $v:=\eta/2\pi$ , is uniquely determined by its values f(n/2v),  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , measured at times differing by 1/2v, i. e. measured with frequency 2v. This statement (proved above) is part of the *Sampling Theorem* from signal processing, which will be (rigorously) fully treated in the context of Fourier transformations. The interpolation problem, to reconstruct the function f from its values  $a_n := f(n/2v)$ , measured with frequency 2v, arises from this in a natural way. It is solved by the so-called (*Whittaker-*) *Shannon interpolation formula*:

$$f(t) = a_0 \operatorname{sinc} \frac{\eta t}{\pi} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( a_n \operatorname{sinc} \left( \frac{\eta t}{\pi} - n \right) + a_{-n} \operatorname{sinc} \left( \frac{\eta t}{\pi} + n \right) \right)$$

using the function  $\operatorname{sinc} t := \frac{\sin \pi t}{\pi t}$ . Since this formula is linear in f, it is enough to prove it in the special case  $f(t) = e^{\mathrm{i}\omega t}$ ,  $|\omega| < \eta$ , i. e. to show the equality

(6.5.c) 
$$e^{\mathrm{i}\omega t} = \mathrm{sinc}\,\frac{\eta\,t}{\pi} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( e^{\mathrm{i}\pi n\omega/\eta}\,\mathrm{sinc}\left(\frac{\eta\,t}{\pi} - n\right) + e^{-\mathrm{i}\pi n\omega/\eta}\,\mathrm{sinc}\left(\frac{\eta\,t}{\pi} + n\right) \right)$$

for  $|\omega| < \eta$  and all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . **Proof:** We use the formulas from the theorem<sup>1</sup> to compute the complex-Fourier coefficients

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>**Theorem** For every piece-wise continuous function  $x:[a,b] \to \mathbb{C}$ , there is (in mean square convergence) the Fourier-expansion  $x = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} c_n \exp\left(\frac{2\pi \mathrm{i}}{\ell} n(t-c)\right)$  and  $x = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \cos\frac{2\pi}{\ell} n(t-c) + b_n \sin\frac{2\pi}{\ell} n(t-c)\right)$ ,  $\ell:=b-a$ , with the Fourier-coefficients  $a_n := \frac{2}{\ell} \int_a^b x(t) \cos\frac{2\pi}{\ell} n(t-c) dt$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $b_n := \frac{2}{\ell} \int_a^b x(t) \sin\frac{2\pi}{\ell} n(t-c) dt$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $c_n := \frac{1}{\ell} \int_a^b x(t) \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi \mathrm{i}}{\ell} n(t-c)\right) dt$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

 $c_n$  of a function  $x(t) := e^{zt}$  for a fixed  $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z} 2\pi i$  with respect to the interval  $(-\eta, \eta)$  and get

$$\begin{split} c_n &= \frac{1}{2\eta} \int_{-\eta}^{\eta} e^{zt} e^{-(\pi/\eta) \mathrm{i} n t} dt = \frac{1}{2\eta} \int_{-\eta}^{\eta} e^{(z\eta - \pi \mathrm{i} n)t/\eta} dt = \frac{1}{2\eta} \frac{\eta}{z\eta - \pi \mathrm{i} n} e^{(z\eta - \pi \mathrm{i} n)t/\eta} \Big|_{t=-\eta}^{t=\eta} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi n + \mathrm{i} z\eta} \frac{-1}{2\mathrm{i}} \left( e^{(z\eta - \pi \mathrm{i} n)} - e^{(-z\eta + \pi \mathrm{i} n)} \right) = \frac{1}{\pi n + \mathrm{i} z\eta} \frac{1}{2\mathrm{i}} \left( e^{\mathrm{i} (\mathrm{i} z\eta + \pi n)} - e^{-\mathrm{i} (\mathrm{i} z\eta + \pi n)} \right) = \frac{\sin(\mathrm{i} z\eta + n\pi)}{\mathrm{i} z\eta + n\pi} = \mathrm{sinc} \left( \frac{\mathrm{i} z\eta}{\pi} + n \right). \end{split}$$

Now the theorem<sup>2</sup> gives (with absolute and uniform convergence in  $t \in (-\eta, \eta]$ 

$$e^{zt} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{sinc}\left(\frac{\mathrm{i}z\eta}{\pi} + n\right) e^{\mathrm{i}\pi nt/\eta}.$$

 $e^{zt} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{sinc}\left(\frac{\mathrm{i}z\,\eta}{\pi} + n\right) e^{\mathrm{i}\pi nt/\eta}.$  replacing first t by  $\omega$  and then by z by it, we obtain (using  $\operatorname{sinc}(-\omega) = \operatorname{sinc}(\omega)$ ) the equality in (6.5.c).

For the values  $a_{m+\frac{1}{2}}:=f\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2\eta}\right)$ ,  $m\in\mathbb{Z}$ , of f in the middle between two neighbouring scan points one gets the

$$a_{m+\frac{1}{2}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^k}{(2k+1)\pi} \left( a_{m-k} + a_{m+k+1} \right) = \frac{2}{\pi} \left( a_m + a_{m+1} \right) - \frac{2}{3\pi} \left( a_{m-1} + a_{m+2} \right) + \frac{2}{5\pi} \left( a_{m-2} + a_{m+3} \right) - \cdots,$$

with the weights  $2/\pi$ ,  $2/\pi$ ,  $-2/3\pi$ ,  $-2/3\pi$ ,  $2/5\pi$ ,  $2/5\pi$ , ..., occurring in the Leibniz-series

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2(-1)^k}{(2k+1)\pi} + \frac{2(-1)^k}{(2k+1)\pi} \right) = 1 \quad \text{(note that this series converges very slowly)}.$$

Starting from the premise that the human ear apprehends only frequencies below 20 kHz, the result of this exercise suggests for digital sound recording to determine the amplitude of a sound wave about 2v (= 40000)- times a second. For the recording of usual CD audio discs the amplitude is measured 44100-times a second (for the sound of DATit is 48000 and for DVD-audio 96000) and each value is digitalized with 16 bit = 2 Byte, (according to the Sony red book, Philips uses 14 bytes and over sampling) i.e. with a 0-1-sequence of length 16. Therefore, in order to record one hour of stereo music with two channels, a disc space of

$$2 \cdot 2 \cdot 44100 \cdot 3600 \approx 6.35 \cdot 108$$
 Byte  $\approx 600$  Megabyte

(1 Megabyte = 210 Kilobyte (K) =  $2^{20}$  Byte) is needed. (Actually, storage densities for audio CDs and for data CDs differ) For error correction and for information management even more disc space has to be provided. In order to enhance sound reproduction, usually intermediate values are interpolated (This is called Oversampling).

You might enjoy the recreational-application of Linear Algebra in the following Exercise 6.6. Its complete solution has been given in GhostWhite colour so that it is invisible (with a hope that one may be tempted to find their own (different) solution!).

**6.6** (Magic-squares<sup>3</sup>) Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  and let K be a field. A  $n \times n$ -matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \in K^{\{1,\dots,n\} \times \{1,\dots,n\}} = \mathbb{M}_n(K)$$

with elements  $a_{ij} \in K$  is called magic if its row-sums  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}$  and its column-sums  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}$  are all equal. Further, it is called super-magic if in addition both the diagonal-sums  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ii}$ and  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i,n+1-i}$  are also equal to the common row-sums (as well as column-sums). – **Remark:** A famous super-magic matrix (over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ) is the 4 × 4-matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix}
16 & 3 & 2 & 13 \\
5 & 10 & 11 & 8 \\
9 & 6 & 7 & 12 \\
4 & 15 & 14 & 1
\end{pmatrix}$$

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>**Theorem** Let  $x: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{C}$  be a continuous, piece-wise continuously differentiable and periodic function with period 1. Then the Fourier-series of x normally converges on  $\mathbb R$  and in particular, converges absolutely and uniformly to the function x.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>In the notion of magic-squares given here we have dropped the usual condition that all entries in it should be different from each other or even from natural numbers  $1, 2, \dots, n^2$ , because this way we can make use of Linear Algebra, otherwise it would be just combinatorics!

was first found in the right-hand upper corner of the famous copper-plate engraving by German 16-th century painter Albrecht Dürer. It is an allegorical composition entitled Melencolia I which has been the subject of many interpretations.<sup>4</sup> This engraving portrays melancholia as the state of waiting for inspiration to strike, and not necessarily as a depressive affliction. The image in turn inspired a passage in The City of Dreadful Night by James Thomson (B.V.), and, a few years later, a sonnet by Edward Dowden.



 $^4$ One interpretation suggests the image references the depressive or melancholy state and accordingly explains various elements of the picture. Among the most conspicuous are: (i) The tools of geometry and architecture surround the figure, unused. (ii) The  $4 \times 4$  magic-square, with the two middle cells of the bottom row giving the year of the engraving: 1514. This  $4 \times 4$  magic square, as well as having traditional magic square rules, its four quadrants, corners and centers equal the same number, 34, which happens to belong to the Fibonacci sequence. (iii) The truncated rhombohedron with a faint human skull on it. This shape is now known as Dürer's solid; over the years, there have been numerous articles disputing the precise shape of this polyhedron. (iv) The hourglass showing time running out. (v) The empty scale (balance). (vi) The despondent winged figure of genius. (vii) The purse and keys. (viii) The beacon and rainbow in the sky.

Show that the magic (respectively, super-magic)  $n \times n$ -matrices  $\mathrm{Mag}_n(K)$  (respectively,  $\mathrm{Mag}_n^{\mathrm{s}}(K)$ ) form a K-subspace of  $\mathbb{M}_n(K)$  and compute the dimensions of these subspaces.

form a 
$$K$$
-subspace of  $\mathbb{M}_n(K)$  and compute the dimensions of these subspaces.

(Ans:  $\operatorname{Dim}_K \operatorname{Mag}_n(K) = (n-1)^2 + 1$  and  $\operatorname{Dim}_K \operatorname{Mag}_n^s(K) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 1, 2, \\ 3, & \text{if } n = 3, \\ 8, & \text{if } n = 4 \text{ and } \operatorname{Char} K \neq 2, \\ 9, & \text{if } n = 4 \text{ and } \operatorname{Char} K = 2, \\ n(n-2), & \text{if } n \geq 5. \end{cases}$ 

### Moreover, one can easily find a K-basis of $Mag_n(K)$ .)

(**Proof:** For  $\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{B} \in \operatorname{Mag}_n(K)$  (respectively,  $\operatorname{Mag}_n^s$ ), it is easy to see that  $\mathfrak{A} + \mathfrak{B}$  and  $a\mathfrak{A}, a \in K$ , belong to  $\operatorname{Mag}_n(K)$  (respectively,  $\operatorname{Mag}_n^s$ ) and hence both  $\operatorname{Mag}_n(K)$  and  $\operatorname{Mag}_n^s$  are K-subspaces of  $\operatorname{M}_n(K)$ .

For a  $n \times n$ -Matrix  $\mathfrak{A} = (a_{ij})$ , let  $z_i := \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} a_{ij}$  be the sum of the first n-1 elements in the i-th row,  $i=1,\ldots,n-1$ , and  $s_j := \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} a_{ij}$  be the sum of the first n-1 elements in the j-th column,  $j=1,\ldots,n-1$ , of  $\mathfrak{A}$  and further  $a := \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} a_{ij} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} z_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} s_j$ . Then the matrix  $\mathfrak{A}$  is magic with the row- and column sum s if and only if  $a_{in} = s - z_i$  for  $i=1,\ldots,n-1$ ,  $a_{nj} = s - s_j$  for  $j=1,\ldots,n-1$  and  $a_{nn} = a - (n-2)s$ . (The choice of  $a_{in}$  and  $a_{nj}$  is necessary and sufficient for the row-sum and the column-sum for the first n-1 rows as well as columns is s). The sum of the elements in the n-th row is s if and only if  $\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} a_{nj} + a_{nn} = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (s-s_j) + a_{nn} = (n-1)s - a + a_{nn} = s$ , i. e.  $a_{nn} = a - (n-2)s$ . In this case it is automatic that the sum of the elements in the n-th column is also equal to s because  $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} a_{in} + a_{nn} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (s-z_i) + a - (n-2)s = (n-1)s - a + a - (n-2)s = s$ . Therefore the general form of a magic matrix with row- and column sum s is:

$$f(a_{11},\ldots,a_{1,n-1},\ldots,a_{n-1,1},\ldots,a_{n-1,n-1},s) := \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1,n-1} & s-z_1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n-1,1} & \cdots & a_{n-1,n-1} & s-z_{n-1} \\ s-s_1 & \cdots & s-s_{n-1} & a-(n-2)s \end{pmatrix}.$$

This define the map  $f: K^{(n-1)^2+1} \to \operatorname{Mag}_n(K)$  which is clearly K-linear and further surjective as seen above. If  $f(a_{11}, \ldots, a_{1,n-1}, \ldots, a_{n-1,1}, \ldots, a_{n-1,n-1}, s) = 0$ , then first  $a_{ij}$  are 0 for all  $1 \le i, j \le n-1$  and then the  $z_i, s_j, s$  are 0 and finally, also a. Therefore  $\operatorname{Ker} f = 0$  and hence f is injective. Altogether f is an isomorphism and hence  $\operatorname{Dim}_K \operatorname{Mag}_n(K) = (n-1)^2 + 1$ .

The image of the standard basis of  $K^{(n-1)^2+1}$  is clearly a basis of  $\mathrm{Mag}_n(K)$ . These are precisely the following  $(n-1)^2$  magic-matrices with the upper-left  $(n-1)\times (n-1)$ -submatrix which has (p,q)-th entry is 1 and all other entries are 0, where  $p,q=1,\ldots n-1$ ,

$$\mathfrak{E}_{pq} - \mathfrak{E}_{nq} - \mathfrak{E}_{pn} + \mathfrak{E}_{nn} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 1 & \cdots & 0 & -1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & -1 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the  $n \times n$ -matrix

$$\mathfrak{E}_{n1} + \dots + \mathfrak{E}_{n,n-1} + (2-n)\mathfrak{E}_{nn} + \mathfrak{E}_{1n} + \dots + \mathfrak{E}_{1,n-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & \cdots & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 2-n \end{pmatrix}.$$

In the case n = 1 every matrix is super-magic, if n = 2, then clearly the matrices with all equal entries are precisely the super-magic matrices. In both these cases  $Dim_K Mag_n^s(K) = 1$ .

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Now, assume that  $n \ge 3$ . Then  $f(a_{11}, \ldots, a_{1,n-1}, \ldots, a_{n-1,1}, \ldots, a_{n-1,n-1}, s)$  is super-magic if and only if

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} a_{ii} + a - (n-2)s = s \quad \text{and} \quad s - z_1 + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} a_{i,n-i+1} + s - s_1 = s,$$

i. e. if and only if  $(a_{11},\ldots,a_{1,n-1},\ldots,a_{n-1,1},\ldots,a_{n-1,n-1},s)$  is a solution of the system of linear equations

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} a_{ii} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} a_{ij} - (n-1)s = 0, \quad s - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} a_{1j} - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} a_{i1} + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} a_{i,n-i+1} = 0.$$

This solution space of this system of linear equations has (see Theorem 5.E.6 in the Lecture-Notes) has dimension  $(n-1)^2 + 1 - r$ , where r is the rank of the homogeneous system of linear equations, therefore is the dimension of  $\operatorname{Im} g$ , where  $g: K^{(n-1)^2+1} \to K^2$  is defined by

$$g(a_{11},\ldots,a_{1,n-1},\ldots,a_{n-1,1},\ldots,a_{n-1,n-1},s):=$$

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} a_{ii} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} a_{ij} - (n-1)s, s - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} a_{1j} - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} a_{i1} + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} a_{i,n-i+1}\right).$$

If we put all  $a_{ij} = 0$  and s = 1, then  $g(0, ..., 0, 1) = (1 - n, 1) \neq 0$ , i. e.  $\operatorname{Dim}_K \operatorname{Im} g \geq 1$ . If we put s = 0 and all  $a_{ij} = 0$ , but  $a_{12} = -1$ , then g(0, -1, 0, ..., 0, 0) = (-1, 1). In the case n = 3 both (-2, 1) and (-1, 1) are contained in  $\operatorname{Im} g$  and since  $-2 \neq -1$ , they are linearly independent, i. e.  $r = \operatorname{Dim}_K \Im g = 2$  and  $\operatorname{Dim}_K \operatorname{Mag}_n^s(K) = (n-1)^2 + 1 - 2 = 5 - 2 = 3$ .

In the case n=4 and  $\operatorname{Char} K \neq 2$ , both (-3,1) and (-1,1) belong to the  $\operatorname{Im} g$  and since  $-3 \neq -1$ , they are linearly independent, i. e.  $r=\operatorname{Dim}_K\operatorname{Im} g=2$  and  $\operatorname{Dim}_K\operatorname{Mag}_n^s(K)=(n-1)^2+1-2=10-2=8$ . In the case n=4 and  $\operatorname{Char} K=2$ , since 2=0, we have  $-a_{ij}=a_{ij}$  and -3s=s,

$$g(a_{11}, \dots, a_{33}, s) =$$

$$(2(a_{11} + a_{22} + a_{33}) + a_{12} + a_{13} + a_{21} + a_{23} + a_{31} + a_{32} - 3s, s - 2a_{11} - a_{12} - a_{13} - a_{21} - a_{31} + a_{23} + a_{32})$$

$$= (s + a_{12} + a_{13} + a_{21} + a_{31} + a_{23} + a_{32}) \cdot (1, 1),$$

i. e. Im g is only 1-dimensional and hence  $Dim_K Mag_n^s(K) = (n-1)^2 + 1 - 1 = 10 - 1 = 9$ .

Now assume that  $n \ge 5$ . Then the index (2,3) is smaller than the indices (i,n-i+1), since  $n-2+1 \ge 4$ . We put s = 0 and all  $a_{ij} = 0$ , but  $a_{23} = 1$ , then g(0,...,0,0,0,1,...,0,...,0,0,0) = (1,0). Since  $g(0,...,0,1) = (1-n,1) \ne 0$  and (1,0) are linearly independent, we have r = 2, and hence  $\text{Dim}_K \text{Mag}_n^s(K) = (n-1)^2 + 1 - 2 = n(n-2)$ .

#### **Auxiliary Results/Test-Exercises**

**T6.1** Determine whether there are  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear maps with the following properties:

- (a)  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^2$ ; f(1,0,1) = (1,0), f(0,1,0) = (0,1).
- **(b)**  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ ; f(1,2) = (1,0,0), f(2,1) = (0,1,0), f(-1,4) = (0,0,1).
- (c)  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ ; f(1,2) = (1,0,0), f(2,1) = (0,1,0), f(-1,4) = (3,-2,0).
- **T6.2** Show that the vectors  $x_1 := (1,2,1)$ ,  $x_2 := (2,1,1)$ ,  $x_3 := (1,1,1)$  form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . For the linear map  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $f(x_1) := (1,0,3)$ ,  $f(x_2) := (-1,3,2)$ ,  $f(x_3) := (0,-1,1)$  write the image of the vectors (2,-1,5), (-1,0,1), (0,1,0) and further compute a basis of Kern f and Im f.
- **T6.3** Let V be a finite dimensional K-vector space and let U, W be subspaces of V of equal dimension. Then there exists a K-automorphism f of V such that f(U) = W.
- **T6.4** Let V be a finite dimensional K-vector space and let  $f:V \to V$  be an endomorphism of V. Show that the following statements are equivalent:
- (i) f is *not* an automorphism of V.
- (ii) There exists a *K*-endomorphism  $g \neq 0$  of *V* such that  $g \circ f = 0$ .
- (ii') There exists an K-endomorphism  $g' \neq id_V$  of V such that  $g' \circ f = f$ .
- (iii) There exists an *K*-endomorphism  $h \neq 0$  of *V* such that  $f \circ h = 0$ .

- (iii') There exists an K-endomorphism  $h' \neq id_V$  of V such that  $f \circ h' = f$ .
- **T6.5** Let  $f: V \to W$  be a homomorphism of finite dimensional K-vectors spaces.
- (a) Show that f injective if and only if there exists a homomorphism  $g:W\to V$  such that  $g\circ f=\mathrm{id}_V$ .
- (b) Show that f surjective if and only if there exists a homomorphism  $h: W \to V$  such that  $f \circ h = \mathrm{id}_W$ . (**Remark:** These assertions are also true for arbitrary infinite dimensional vector spaces V and W, since for arbitrary vector space there are sufficiently many bases exist!)
- **T6.6** Let D be an arbitrary set and let  $f_1, \ldots, f_n \in K^D$  be linearly independent K-valued functions on the set D. Further, let  $t_1, \ldots, t_n$  be pairwise distinct points in D and let V be the subspace of  $K^D$  (n-dimensional) generated by  $f_1, \ldots, f_n$ . Show that for every choice of  $b_1, \ldots, b_n \in K$  the *interpolation problem*

$$f(t_1) = b_1, \dots, f(t_n) = b_n$$

has a solution  $f \in V$  if and only if the trivial problem

$$f(t_1) = \cdots = f(t_n) = 0.$$

has only trivial (the zero function) solution in V.

- **T6.7** Let V be a K-vector space of countable infinite dimension. Then V and the direct sum  $V \oplus V$  are isomorphic. (**Remark**: This is also true for arbitrary infinite dimensional vector spaces V.)
- **T6.8** Give an example of an endomorphism of a vector space (necessarily infinite dimensional) which is injective, but not surjective (respectively, surjective, but not injective).
- **T6.9** Let A be a finite dimensional K-algebra and let  $x \in A$ . Let  $\lambda_x$  (respectively,  $\rho_x$ ) denote the left-(respectively, right-)multiplication  $y \mapsto xy$  (respectively,  $y \mapsto yx$ ) by x in A. Show that  $\lambda_x$  and  $\rho_x$  are K-endomorphisms of the K-vector space A (but for  $x \ne 1$  are not K-algebra-endomorphisms). Further, show that the following statements are equivalent: (1) x is invertible in A. (2)  $\lambda_x$  is bijective. (2')  $\rho_x$  is bijective. (3)  $\lambda_x$  is injective. (4')  $\rho_x$  is surjective. (Remark: See also Test-Exercise T5.17. The equivalence of (1), (2) and (2') also hold for arbitrary K-algebra A.)
- **T6.10** Let *A* be a finite dimensional *K*-algebra. If the element  $x \in A$  is invertible in *A*, then show that the inverse  $x^{-1}$  already belong to the *K*-subalgebra K[x].
- **T6.11** Let *A* be a finite dimensional *K*-algebra.
- (a) Show that the following statements are equivalent: (1) A is a division-algebra (2) For every  $x \in A$ ,  $x \neq 0$ , the left-multiplication  $\lambda_x$  injective, i. e. the left-cancelation rule: from xy = xz and  $x \neq 0$ , it follows that y = z. (2') For every  $x \in A$ ,  $x \neq 0$ , the right-multiplication  $\rho_x$  injective, i. e. the right-cancelation rule: from yx = zx and  $x \neq 0$ , it follows that y = z.
- **(b)** If *A* is a division-algebra, then every *K*-subalgebra of *A* is also a division-algebra. (**Hint**: Use the part (a) or Test-Exercise T6.10.)
- **T6.12** Let *V* be a *K*-vector space with basis  $x_i$ ,  $i \in I$  and let  $f: V \to K$  be a linear form  $\neq 0$  on *V* with  $f(x_i) = a_i \in K$ ,  $i \in I$ . Find a basis of Ker *f*.
- **T6.13** Let f and g be endomorphisms of the finite dimensional K-vector space V with  $g \circ f = 0$ . Then  $\operatorname{Rank} f + \operatorname{Rank} g \leq \operatorname{Dim}_K V$ . In particular, if  $f^2(=f \circ f) = 0$ , then  $\operatorname{Rank} f \leq \frac{1}{2}\operatorname{Dim}_K V$ .
- **T6.14** Let  $g: V \to W$  be K-linear and let V' be a subspace of V. If V is finite dimensional, then show that  $\operatorname{Dim}_K V \operatorname{Dim}_K V' \ge \operatorname{Rank} g \operatorname{Rank} (g|V')$ .
- **T6.15** Let f be an operator on the finite dimensional K-vector space V of odd dimension. Then Im  $f \neq \text{Ker } f$ .
- **T6.16** (Inequality of Sylvester) Let  $f: U \to V$  and let  $g: V \to W$  be linear maps. If U and V are finite dimensional, then

$$\operatorname{Rank} f + \operatorname{Rank} g - \operatorname{Dim} V \leq \operatorname{Rank} (gf) \leq \operatorname{Min} (\operatorname{Rank} f, \operatorname{Rank} g)$$
.

(**Hint**: Rank (gf) = Rank f – Dim K (Im  $f \cap \text{Ker } g$ ).)

**T6.17** (Inequality of Frobenius) Let  $f: U \to V$ ,  $g: V \to W$  and let  $h: W \to X$  be K-linear maps. If U, V and W are finite dimensional, then

$$\operatorname{Rank}(hg) + \operatorname{Rank}(gf) \leq \operatorname{Rank} g + \operatorname{Rank}(hgf)$$
.

(**Hint :** We may assume that g is surjective and apply the inequality of Sylvester, See Test-Exercise T6.16.)

**T6.18** Let  $f: V \to W$  be a homomorphism of K-vector spaces. Show that  $\operatorname{Ker} f$  is finite dimensional if and only if there exists a homomorphism of K-vector space  $g: W \to V$  and an operator  $h: V \to V$  on V such that  $\operatorname{Rank} h$  is finite and  $gf = h + \operatorname{id}_V$ .

**T6.19** Let f be an operator on the finite dimensional K-vector space V. Show that the following statements are equivalent: (i) Rank  $f = \text{Rank } f^2$ . (i') Im  $f = \text{Im } f^2$ . (ii) Dim $_K \text{Ker } f = \text{Dim}_K \text{Ker } f^2$ .

(ii') 
$$\operatorname{Ker} f = \operatorname{Ker} f^2$$
. (iii)  $\operatorname{Im} f \cap \operatorname{Ker} f = 0$ . (iv)  $\operatorname{Im} f + \operatorname{Ker} f = V$ .

(**Remark :** (iii) and (iv) together mean that V is the direct sum of Im f and Ker f.)

**T6.20** Let  $f_1, ..., f_r \in \text{Hom}_K(V, W)$  be K-vector space homomorphisms of finite rank. For arbitrary  $a_1, ..., a_r \in K$ , show that the rank of  $a_1 f_1 + \cdots + a_r f_r$  is finite and

$$\operatorname{Rank}(a_1f_1 + \cdots + a_rf_r) \leq \operatorname{Rank} f_1 + \cdots + \operatorname{Rank} f_r$$
.

(**Remark :** From the Test-Exercise it follows that the subset  $\mathfrak{A} := \{ f \in \operatorname{End}_K V \mid \operatorname{Rank} f \text{ is finite} \}$  is a two-sided ideal in the K-algebra  $\operatorname{End}_K V$ .)

**T6.21** Let  $f: U \to V$  and let  $g: V \to W$  be homomorphisms of K-vector spaces. If one of these homomorphism have a finite rank, then the composition  $g \circ f$  also has a finite rank. If f is surjective (respectively, g is injective), then Rank  $(g \circ f) = \text{Rank } g$  (respectively, Rank  $(g \circ f) = \text{Rank } f$ ).

**T6.22** Let  $f: V \to W$  be a homomorphism of K-vector spaces and let  $u_i$ ,  $i \in I$ , be a basis of Ker f. Then for a family  $v_j$ ,  $j \in J$ , of vectors of V, the family  $f(v_j)$ ,  $j \in J$ , of the image vectors is a basis of Im f if and only if the families  $u_i$ ,  $i \in I$ ;  $v_j$ ,  $j \in J$ , together form a basis of V. (**Hint:** Look at the proof of the Rank-Theorem.)

**T6.23** Let V and W be finite dimensional K-vector space and let V', W' be subspaces of V and W respectively. Show that there exists a K-homomorphism  $f:V \to W$  with  $\operatorname{Ker} f = V'$  and  $\operatorname{Im} f = W'$  if and only if  $\operatorname{Dim}_K V' + \operatorname{Dim}_K W' = \operatorname{Dim}_K V$ .

**T6.24** Let  $a_{ij} \in K$ , i = 1, ..., m, j = 1, ..., n. Then the linear system of equations

$$a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$

$$\dots$$

$$a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m$$

over K has a solution in  $K^n$  for every  $(b_1, \ldots, b_m) \in K^m$  if and only if its rank is m. Moreover, in this case the solution space is an *affine subspace* of dimension n-m.

**T6.25** Let  $s, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $s \le n$ . Then every affine subspace of  $K^n$  of dimension s is a solution space of a linear system of equations of rank n - s in n unknowns and n - s equations.

## GOOD LUCK

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