

**April 10**

**83.** Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector space over the field  $F$ . Show that if  $M$  is any subspace of  $\mathcal{V}$ , there is a subspace  $L$  of  $\mathcal{V}$  for which  $M \oplus L = \mathcal{V}$ . Indeed, if  $\mathcal{V}$  is  $\mathbb{R}^n$  or  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , and  $0 < \dim(M) < n$ , show that there are infinitely many such subspaces.

\* **84.** Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector space over the field  $F$  and let  $W_1, W_2, \dots, W_k$  be subspaces of  $\mathcal{V}$  such that

$$\mathcal{V} = W_1 + W_2 + \dots + W_k \quad \text{and} \quad \dim(\mathcal{V}) = \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) + \dots + \dim(W_k)$$

Prove that this means  $\mathcal{V} = W_1 \oplus W_2 \oplus \dots \oplus W_k$ .

\* **85.** Let  $E$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix over the field  $F$  such that  $E^2 = E$ .

(a) Show that  $I - E$  is also a projection matrix.

(b) If  $E$  is described as the projection onto  $R$  along  $N$ , what is the description of  $I - E$ ?

(c) Let 
$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Show that  $Q$  is a projection and describe  $Q$  as in part (b).

\* **86.** Consider the statement: “If a diagonalizable operator has only eigenvalues 0 and 1, then it is a projection.” If it is true, prove it; if it is false, find an example.

**87.** Let  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k$  be projection matrices on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for which  $E_1 + E_2 + \dots + E_k = I$ . Use the trace function to show that  $E_i E_j = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ .

**88.** Let  $E$  be a projection on the real vector space  $\mathcal{V}$ . Prove that  $I + E$  is invertible and find  $(I + E)^{-1}$ .

**89.** Suppose  $\mathcal{V}$  is a vector space over the field  $F$  and for  $j = 1, \dots, k$  the subspaces  $W_j$  satisfy

$$\mathcal{V} = W_1 \oplus W_2 \oplus \dots \oplus W_k$$

Let  $T$  be a linear transformation on  $\mathcal{V}$  for which the subspaces  $W_j$  are invariant for  $j = 1, \dots, k$ , let  $T_j$  be the restriction of  $T$  to  $W_j$ , let  $A_j$  be the matrix for  $T_j$  with respect to the basis  $\mathcal{B}_j$  for  $W_j$ , and let  $A$  be the matrix for  $T$  with respect to the basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathcal{B}_1, \dots, \mathcal{B}_k\}$  for  $\mathcal{V}$ .

(a) Show that  $\det(A) = \det(A_1) \det(A_2) \dots \det(A_k)$ .

(b) Prove that if  $f_j$  is the characteristic polynomial of  $T_j$  and  $A_j$ , then the characteristic polynomial of  $T$  and  $A$  is  $f$ , the product of the  $f_j$ 's.

(c) Prove that the minimal polynomial of  $T$  and  $A$  is the least common multiple of the minimal polynomials of the  $T_j$ 's.

**90.** Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be projections on the real vector space  $\mathcal{V}$  for which  $PQ = QP$ .  
Prove that  $PQ$  is also a projection and find the range and nullspace of  $PQ$ .

**91.** Suppose  $\mathcal{V}$  is a vector space over the field  $F$  and  $E$  and  $T$  are, respectively, a projection and a linear transformation on  $\mathcal{V}$ .

- (a) Show that the range of  $E$  is invariant for  $T$  if and only if  $ETE = TE$ .
- (b) Show that the range and nullspace of  $E$  are *both* invariant for  $T$  if and only if  $TE = ET$ .
- (c) Which operators commute with *every* projection on  $\mathcal{V}$ ?

\* **92.** Let  $G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(It might be helpful to observe that 1 is an eigenvalue of  $G$ .)

- (a) Find the characteristic and minimal polynomials for  $G$  and explain how you know that  $G$  is diagonalizable over the field  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- (b) Find eigenspaces  $W_1$ ,  $W_2$ , and  $W_3$  that are invariant subspaces for  $G$  giving a direct sum decomposition of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  as  $W_1 \oplus W_2 \oplus W_3$ .
- (c) Find projections  $E_1$ ,  $E_2$ , and  $E_3$  so that  $E_1 + E_2 + E_3 = I$ ,  $E_i E_j = 0$  for  $i \neq j$  and  $G = aE_1 + bE_2 + cE_3$  for some real numbers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ .

\*\* **93.** Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector space, suppose that  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$  are distinct scalars in the field  $F$ , and suppose  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k$  are projections on  $\mathcal{V}$  such that  $E_i E_j = 0$  for  $i \neq j$  and  $I = \sum_{j=1}^k E_j$ .

Let  $T = c_1 E_1 + c_2 E_2 + \dots + c_k E_k$ .

- (a) Find (and prove) a simple expression for  $T^2$  in terms of the  $E_j$ 's.
- (b) For  $p$  a polynomial, find (and prove) a simple expression for  $p(T)$  in terms of the  $E_j$ 's.
- (c) Find the minimal polynomial for  $T$  and find characteristic polynomial for  $T$ .