

**Math 2270 Extra Credit Problems**  
**Chapter 4**  
**S2010**

**Due date:** See the internet due date for 6.3, which is the due date for these problems. Records are locked on that date and only corrected, never appended.

**Submitted work.** Please submit one stapled package. Kindly label problems **Extra Credit**. Label each problem with its corresponding problem number. You may attach this printed sheet to simplify your work.

**Problem XC4.1-20. (Matrix space basis)**

Find a basis and the dimension for the space of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ a+b & a-b \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Problem XC4.1-26. (Polynomial space basis)**

Find a basis and the dimension for the space of all polynomials  $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3$  satisfying the conditions  $p(-1) = p(1)$ ,  $\int_0^1 p(x)dx = p(0)$ .

**Problem XC4.1-38. (Commutator dimension)**

Find the dimension of the space of all  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $A$  that commute with a  $3 \times 3$  diagonal matrix  $B$ .

**Problem XC4.1-54. (Subspace dimension)**

Let  $V$  be a vector space of dimension  $n$  and let  $S$  be a subspace of  $V$ . Prove that  $S$  has a basis of  $k$  elements and  $k \leq n$ .

**Problem XC4.2-13. (Linear transformations and isomorphisms)**

Let  $T(A) = PA - AP$  where  $P = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ . Prove that  $T$  is a linear transformation on the set  $V$  of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $A$ . Determine the kernel and image of  $T$  and report whether  $T$  is an isomorphism.

**Problem XC4.2-20. (Kernel of a linear transformation)**

Let  $T(y) = 3y'' + 5y'$  be defined on the vector space  $V$  of all twice continuously differentiable functions  $y(x)$  defined on  $-\infty < x < \infty$  with range in some vector space  $W$ . Compute the kernel of  $T$  and therefore show that  $T$  is not an isomorphism. How should  $W$  be defined? Is there a problem with  $W = V$ ?

Hint: Write  $v = y'$  and break the equation  $3y'' + 5y' = 0$  into  $3v' + 5v = 0$  and  $y' = v$ . These are elementary first order differential equations. The general solution of  $3v' + 5v = 0$  is  $v = v_0 e^{-5x/3}$ .

**Problem XC4.2-34. (Sequence spaces)**

Let  $T(f)$  denote the sequence  $f(0), f'(0), \dots$  of derivatives of  $f$  evaluated at 0. Let  $V$  be the space of all polynomials. Then the vector space  $W$  is the set of all sequences with only finitely many nonzero terms. Prove that  $W$  is a subspace of the vector space  $E$  of all real sequences equipped with termwise addition and scalar multiplication. Prove that  $T$  is linear and decide if it is an isomorphism.

**Problem XC4.3-2. (Independence in matrix spaces)**

Prove or disprove: a list of  $2 \times 2$  matrices of length 5 or more is dependent.

**Problem XC4.3-30. (Tangents)**

Let  $T(p) = p(0) + xp'(0)$  be defined on the polynomials  $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$  of degree 2 or less, a vector space  $V$ . Prove that  $T$  is linear and compute the matrix of  $T$  relative to the basis  $1, x-1, (x-1)^2$ .

**Problem XC4.3-60. (Matrix of change of basis)**

Let a plane  $P$  be given in  $\mathcal{R}^3$  having two different bases  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$  and  $\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2\}$ . Give general formulas for the change of basis matrices  $V$  and  $W$  which change one basis into the other (in both possible ways). Then give a formula which relates  $V$  to  $\mathbf{aug}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$  and  $\mathbf{aug}(\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2)$ .

**Problem XC4.3-64. (Matrix of a linear transformation)**

Let  $T(A) = PA - AP$  where  $P = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ . Prove that  $T$  is a linear transformation on the set  $V$  of all  $2 \times 2$  upper triangular matrices  $A$ . (a) Find the standard basis  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $V$ . (b) Find the matrix of  $T$  relative to basis  $\mathcal{B}$ . (c) Determine the rank of  $T$ .

**End of extra credit problems chapter 4.**