

**Problem 1, variant. Asked and answered in Maple TA**

Let  $a$  and  $b$  be real constants. An inhomogeneous system of linear equations has the augmented matrix  $\mathbf{T}$  given by

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 5 & 5 \\ 0 & a-1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & a+1 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a^2-1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

1. Determine for  $a = -1$  and  $b = 0$  one of the solutions  $\mathbf{x}_0$  to the system of equations.
2. The values of the constants are unchanged  $a = -1$  and  $b = 0$ . State a vector  $\mathbf{w}$  that spans the solution space for the corresponding homogeneous system of equations.
3. Suppose  $a = 1$ . For which value of  $b$  does the system of equations have solutions?
4. We consider now the system of equations with the values for  $a$  and  $b$  as in the previous question. The vectors  $(\alpha, 0, \beta)$  and  $(\gamma, 1, \delta)$  are solutions to the inhomogeneous system. State the values of  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  and  $\delta$ .
5. Examine whether there are values of  $a$  and  $b$  for which the system of equations has exactly one solution.

**Problem 2, variant. Asked and answered in Maple TA**

A first-order inhomogeneous linear differential equation is given by:

$$x'(t) + 3x(t) = e^{3t} \cos(t).$$

1. It is stated that the differential equation has a particular solution of the form

$$x_p(t) = a \cdot e^{3t} \cos(t) + b \cdot e^{3t} \sin(t) \text{ where } a, b \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Determine  $a$  and  $b$ .

2. Determine a solution  $x_h(t)$  to the corresponding homogeneous differential equation. We further stipulate that  $x_h(t)$  must not be the zero solution.
3. From the previous questions we have  $x_h(t)$  and  $x_p(t)$ . Which of the following three functions is a solution to the inhomogeneous differential equation

$$4 \cdot x_h(t) + x_p(t), \quad x_h(t), \quad x_h(t) + 3 \cdot x_p(t).$$

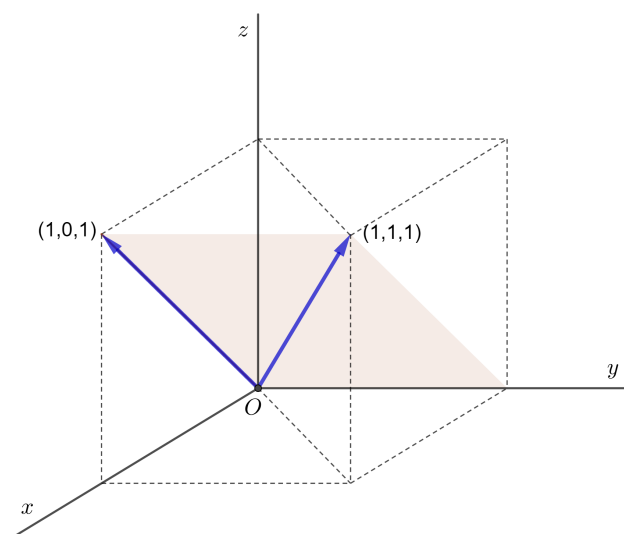
4. Justify your answers to the previous question using the structural theorem.

Regarding a homogeneous second-order linear differential equation, it is stated that its complete solution is given by:

$$x(t) = k_1 \cdot e^{-5t} \cos(3t) + k_2 \cdot e^{-5t} \sin(3t) \quad (*).$$

5. Determine one of the roots  $\lambda$  in the characteristic equations corresponding to the differential equation.
6. Determine  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  so that the solution to  $(*)$  fulfills  $x(0) = 4$  and  $x'(0) = 5$ .

**Problem 3. Essay Assignment. Answer is uploaded in pdf.**



A subspace  $U$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is spanned by the vectors  $\mathbf{u}_1 = (1, 0, 1)$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2 = (1, 1, 1)$ . It is also stated that  $U$  is the kernel for a linear map  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \mapsto \mathbb{R}^3$ .

1. Explain that  $\dim(U) = 2$ , and determine an orthonormal basis  $(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$  for  $U$ .
2. Explain that the number 0 is an eigenvalue for  $f$ , and determine  $f(\mathbf{u}_1 + \mathbf{u}_2)$  and  $f(2\mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2)$ .
3. It is now further stated that  $f$  has the eigenvalue 4 and that  $E_4$  is the orthogonal complement to  $U$ . Determine a diagonal matrix  $\Lambda$  and an orthogonal matrix  $\mathbf{Q}$  so that

$${}_e\mathbf{F}_e = \mathbf{Q}\Lambda\mathbf{Q}^T$$

where  ${}_e\mathbf{F}_e$  denote the mapping matrix for  $f$  with respect to the standard base for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

4. Determine the mapping matrix  ${}_e\mathbf{G}_e$  for another linear map  $g : \mathbb{R}^3 \mapsto \mathbb{R}^3$  which also has  $U$  as the kernel, and which fulfills that  $(1, 2, 3) \in g(\mathbb{R}^3)$ .