

# Math 115B Homework 2

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## 1 Dual Basis

For each of the following vector spaces  $V$  and each (ordered) basis  $B$ , find an explicit formula for each vector in the dual basis  $B^*$ .

$$(a) \quad V = k^3, B = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

We will find all three dual basis vectors at once. Consider how  $v_i^*$  acts on the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \in k^3$ . By the definition of a basis, we have that

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \alpha_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus, we have that

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Taking the inverse, we have that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$$

Expanding, we thus have that the dual basis vectors  $B^* = \{v_1^*, v_2^*, v_3^*\}$  are as follows

$$v_1^* \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \alpha_1 = a - \frac{1}{2}b, \quad v_2^* \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \alpha_2 = \frac{1}{2}b, \quad v_3^* \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \alpha_3 = -a + c$$

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$$(b) \quad V = k[x]_{\leq 2}, B = \{1, x, x^2\}.$$

We will find all three dual basis vectors at once. This example is more straightforward. Consider how  $v_i^*$  acts on the  $a + bx + cx^2 \in k[x]_{\leq 2}$ . By the definition of a basis, we have that

$$a + bx + cx^2 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 x + \alpha_3 x^2$$

We obviously then have that  $\alpha_1 = a, \alpha_2 = b, \alpha_3 = c$ .

Thus have that the dual basis vectors  $B^* = \{v_1^*, v_2^*, v_3^*\}$  are as follows

$$v_1^*(a + bx + cx^2) = \alpha_1 = a, \quad v_2^*(a + bx + cx^2) = \alpha_2 = b, \quad v_3^*(a + bx + cx^2) = \alpha_3 = c$$

## 2 Adjoint of a Transformation

Define some  $f \in (\mathbb{R}^2)^*$  by  $f \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = 2x + y$  and a function  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  via the formula

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3x + 2y \\ x \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) Compute  $T^*(f)$ .

By definition, we have that  $T^*(f) = f \circ T$  for any  $f \in (\mathbb{R}^2)^*$ . Thus, consider

$$\begin{aligned} T^*(f) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} &= f \circ T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= f \circ \begin{pmatrix} 3x + 2y \\ x \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 6x + 4y + x \\ &= 7x + 4y \end{aligned}$$

(b) Compute  $[T^*]_{E^*}$ , where  $E$  is the standard ordered basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $E^* = \{\vec{e}_1^*, \vec{e}_2^*\}$  is the dual basis, explicitly by finding scalars  $a, b, c, d$  such that  $T^*(\vec{e}_1^*) = a\vec{e}_1^* + c\vec{e}_2^*$  and  $T^*(\vec{e}_2^*) = b\vec{e}_1^* + d\vec{e}_2^*$ .

Because  $E$  is the standard basis, the calculation of the dual basis is essentially trivial as in 1b and thus

$$E^* = \{v_1^* \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = xv_1^* \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = y\}$$

If we then consider

$$\begin{aligned} T^*(e_1^*) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} &= e_1^* \circ T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= e_1^* \circ \begin{pmatrix} 3x + 2y \\ x \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 3x + 2y \end{aligned}$$

And similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} T^*(e_2^*) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} &= e_2^* \circ T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= e_2^* \circ \begin{pmatrix} 3x + 2y \\ x \end{pmatrix} \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by the definition of  $[T^*]_{E^*}$ , we have that

$$[T^*]_{E^*} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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(c) Compute  $[T]_E$  and  $([T]_E)^t$  and compare your result with your answer to the last question (you don't need to write anything about this comparison).

From the definition, since  $E$  is the standard basis, we can read off that

$$[T]_E = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and easily calculate that

$$[T]_E^t = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We can see that  $[T^*]_{E^*} = [T]_E^t$ , verifying a case of theorem 2.25 from class.

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### 3 Annihilators and Subspaces

Let  $V$  denote a finite-dimensional  $k$ -vector space. For any subset  $S \subseteq V$ , define the annihilator  $S^0$  of  $S$  as

$$S^0 := \{f \in V^* : f(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in S\}.$$

(a) Prove that  $S^0$  is a subspace of  $V^*$ .

We can easily check that  $S^0$  contains the zero map as  $f(x) = 0$  trivially satisfies the annihilation condition. Now to confirm that  $S^0$  is closed under scalar multiplication and vector addition, suppose that  $f, g \in S^0$  and  $\lambda \in k$ . Then, consider the following for all  $x \in S$

$$\begin{aligned} (f + \lambda g)(x) &= f(x) + \lambda g(x) \\ &= 0 + \lambda 0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $f + \lambda g \in S^0$ , and it is thus a subspace. □

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**(b)** If  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$  and  $x \notin W$ , prove that there exists some  $f \in W^0$  such that  $f(x) \neq 0$ .

We can construct an  $f$  that has this property. We can leverage the finite dimensionality of  $V$ . By consequences of the Replacement Theorem, we can pick a basis  $\beta$  for  $W$  and note that  $\beta \cup \{x\}$  must be linearly independent since  $x \notin \text{span}(\beta)$ . Thus,  $\beta \cup \{x\}$  must be a basis for some subspace that contains  $W$  in  $V$ . We can continue to add vectors  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  to  $\beta \cup \{x\}$  until we have a basis for all of  $V$ —again by the Replacement Theorem. Let's call the basis  $\gamma = \beta \cup \{x\} \cup \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ . We can define  $f \in V^*$  based on how it acts on each element of  $\beta$ —and by definition it will automatically be linear.

$$f(v) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v \in \beta \\ 1 & \text{if } v = x \\ 0 & \text{if } v \in \{v_1, \dots, v_n\} \end{cases}$$

Clearly,  $f$  is in  $W^0$  since  $f(v) = 0$  for all  $v \in W$ . However,  $f$  maps  $x$  to 1 which does not equal to zero in any field. □

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**(c)** In class, we constructed an isomorphism  $\psi: V \rightarrow V^{**}$ . Prove that  $(S^0)^0 = \text{span}(\psi(S))$ , where  $\psi(S) := \{\psi(s) : s \in S\}$ .

First note that

$$\psi(S) := \{\psi(s) : s \in S\} = \{\psi(s) : s \in S\}$$

Let's first show that  $\text{span}(\psi(S)) \subset (S^0)^0$ . Assume  $h \in \text{span}(\psi(S))$ . We know that

$$S^0 := \{f \in V^* : f(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in S\}.$$

And clearly, we have that

$$(S^0)^0 := \{g \in V^{**} : g(f) = 0 \text{ for all } f \in S^0\}.$$

By the definition of span, we have that

$$h = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \psi(s_i)$$

for  $s_i \in S$ . Then, if we consider  $h$  acting on some function  $f \in V^*$ ,

$$h(f) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \psi(s_i)(f) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i f(s_i)$$

which we get by the definition of  $\psi$  from class. Then,  $h(f) = 0$  whenever  $f(s_i) = 0$  for all  $s \in S$ . Thus,  $h \in (S^0)^0$  and therefore,  $\text{span}(\psi(S)) \subset (S^0)^0$ .

As for showing  $(S^0)^0 \subset \text{span}(\psi(S))$ , we can simply reverse the logic. Suppose  $h \in (S^0)^0$ . Then,  $h(f) = 0 \forall f \in S^0$  by definition. Because we know there is natural isomorphism  $\psi$ , there exists a unique vector  $v \in V$  such that  $\psi(v)(f) = h(f)$ . Then, we have that  $f(v) = 0 \forall f \in S^0$ . We need to then show that  $v$  is in the span of  $S$ . However, this is immediate from part (b). We know that by the definition of  $S^0$ ,  $f$  must vanish on all of the vectors of  $S$ . Furthermore, it must vanish on all the vectors in the span  $S$ . By (b), we

know that it is impossible for  $v$  to vanish and not be in the span. Thus,  $v \in \text{span}(S)$ . Lastly, by linearity, since  $h = \psi(v)$ , we have that

$$h = \psi \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i s_i \right) \implies \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \psi(s_i)$$

Therefore,  $h \in \text{span}(\psi(S))$ . We have shown both inclusions, and thus  $(S^0)^0 = \text{span}(\psi(S))$

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**(d)** For subspaces  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  of  $V$ , prove that  $W_1 = W_2$  if and only if  $W_1^0 = W_2^0$ .

( $\implies$ ) Assume that  $W_1 = W_2$ . This directly is trivially true. We have that

$$W_1^0 := \{f \in V^* : f(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in W_1\} \quad W_2^0 := \{f \in V^* : f(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in W_2\}$$

Again, trivially, this is true by simply relabeling.

( $\impliedby$ ) Assume that  $W_1^0 = W_2^0$ . Then, we can take the annihilator of both sides, producing

$$(W_1^0)^0 = (W_2^0)^0$$

By (c), this is equivalent to

$$\text{span}(\psi(W_1)) = \text{span}(\psi(W_2))$$

But, we can remove the  $\psi$  by linearity—pulling it outside the span—and then ignore it by injectivity. Then, we just have that

$$\text{span}(W_1) = \text{span}(W_2)$$

However, a subspace is invariant under span. Thus,

$$W_1 = W_2$$

Therefore,  $W_1 = W_2$  if and only if  $W_1^0 = W_2^0$ . □

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**(e)** For subspaces  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , prove that  $(W_1 + W_2)^0 = W_1^0 \cap W_2^0$ .

Let's first show that  $(W_1 + W_2)^0 \subset W_1^0 \cap W_2^0$ . Suppose that  $f \in (W_1 + W_2)^0$ . Then, for  $v \in W_1 + W_2$ , we have that  $f(v) = 0$ . Suppose that  $v_1 \in W_1$  and that  $v_2 \in W_2$ . Note,  $v_1, v_2 \in W_1 + W_2$  since we can just tack the zero vector from the other subspace. Thus,  $f$  also vanishes on any element of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ . Hence,  $f \in W_1^0$  and  $f \in W_2^0$ . Thus,  $(W_1 + W_2)^0 \subset W_1^0 \cap W_2^0$ .

Now, let's show that  $W_1^0 \cap W_2^0 \subset (W_1 + W_2)^0$ . Suppose that  $f(v_1) = 0$  for all  $v_1 \in W_1$ , and similarly,  $f(v_2) = 0$  for all  $v_2 \in W_2$ . Suppose that  $v \in W_1 + W_2$ . By the definition of  $W_1 + W_2$ , we know  $v = v'_1 + v'_2$  for  $v'_1 \in W_1$  and  $v'_2 \in W_2$ . Then, we know that  $f(v) = f(v'_1) + f(v'_2) = 0 + 0 = 0$ . Thus,  $f \in (W_1 + W_2)^0$ . Hence,  $W_1^0 \cap W_2^0 \subset (W_1 + W_2)^0$ . Since we have shown both inclusions, we have that  $(W_1 + W_2)^0 = W_1^0 \cap W_2^0$ .

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## 4 Dimension of Annihilator

Prove that if  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$ , then

$$\dim(W) + \dim(W^0) = \dim(V).$$

(For one point less: you may assume that  $\dim(V) < \infty$ .)

I will attempt to prove this in the general case—including infinite dimensions—which relies on the idea that every infinite dimensional vector space has a basis. Suppose that  $\{v_a \mid a \in A\}$  for an index set  $A$ —where  $A$  is not necessarily countable—is a basis for  $W$ . We can further extend this to a basis  $\{v_a \mid a \in A\} \cup \{w_b \mid b \in B\}$ . Then, we can construct a basis  $\{v_a^* \mid a \in A\} \cup \{w_b^* \mid b \in B\}$  where we still map  $v_a^*(v_a) = 1$  and zero otherwise. However, this may be a problem in the infinite case, as this is not necessarily the full basis of  $V^*$ . Either way, we can still claim that  $\{w_b^* \mid b \in B\}$  set up as as described is a basis for  $W^0$ .

Now consider  $\{w_b^* \mid b \in B\}$ . I claim this is a basis for  $W^0$  as we will show. By definition, these vectors are linearly independent as they are a subset of a linearly independent set (i.e., our constructed basis). (This logic still holds in the infinite case when we do not have a basis for  $V^*$  of the same cardinality as  $V$  as what we have above for a basis of  $V^*$  would just be a subset of the actual bases.) Then, we just need to show every element in  $W^0$  is in the span of these vectors. Suppose  $f \in W^0$ . Then, we know we can write  $f$  generally as an element in  $V^*$ . Thus, we have that

$$f = \sum_{a \in A} f(v_a)v_a^* + \sum_{b \in B} f(v_b)v_b^*$$

However, we have that  $f(v_a) = 0 \forall a \in A$ . Thus,

$$f = \sum_{b \in B} f(v_b)v_b^*$$

Hence,  $f \in \text{span}(\{w_b \mid b \in B\})$ . Therefore, we have that  $|W^0| + |W| = |V|$ . Thus, we have shown for any case,

$$\dim(W) + \dim(W^0) = \dim(V).$$

However, another issue potentially arises with this writing of  $f = \sum_{a \in A} f(v_a)v_a^* + \sum_{b \in B} f(v_b)v_b^*$  in the infinite case because not any  $f$  can necessarily be written this way. Yet, any  $f$  that can potentially be in  $W^0$  would be in this form. □

## 5 Kernel and Range Annihilator

Suppose that  $W$  is a finite-dimensional vector space and  $T: V \rightarrow W$  is a linear transformation. Prove that  $\ker(T^*) = \text{im}(T)^0$ .

Let's first show that  $\ker(T^*) \subset \text{im}(T)^0$ . Suppose  $f \in \ker(T^*)$ . This means that  $f \in W^*$  and  $T^*(f) = f \circ T = \vec{0}_{\text{map}}$ . This means that  $f(x) = 0$  where  $x \in \text{Im}(T)$ . Thus,  $f \in \text{Im}(T)^0$  as it annihilates everything in the image. Thus,  $\ker(T^*) \subset \text{im}(T)^0$ .

Now suppose that  $\text{Im}(T)^0 \subset \ker(T^*)$ . Suppose that  $f \in \text{Im}(T)^0$ . Then, by definition,  $f(x) = 0 \forall x \in \text{Im}(T)$ . Written another way,  $f \circ T(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in V$ . This is by definition saying,  $T^*(f) = \vec{0}_{\text{map}}$ . Hence,  $f \in \ker(T^*)$ .

We thus have both inclusions and therefore  $\ker(T^*) = \text{im}(T)^0$ . □

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## 6 Eigenvalues and Eigenspaces

Let  $R$  denote the  $3 \times 3$  real matrix

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

Find all eigenvalues of  $R$ . For each eigenvalue, compute the corresponding eigenspace.

We need to find the determinant of  $R - \lambda I$ :

$$\det(R - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -3 - \lambda & -3 & -4 \\ 2 & 2 - \lambda & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix}.$$

Expanding along the bottom row, we have

$$\det(R - \lambda I) = (-1 - \lambda) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} -3 - \lambda & -3 \\ 2 & 2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix}.$$

This gives

$$\det(R - \lambda I) = (-1 - \lambda)(\lambda^2 + \lambda) = 0.$$

Solving for  $\lambda$ :

$$(\lambda)(\lambda + 1)^2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lambda = -1, \quad \lambda = 0.$$

$\lambda = -1$  has multiplicity 2.

Let's now find the eigenvalues.

Consider the  $\lambda = 0$  eigenvalue. Solving the equation  $R\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ , we can row reduce

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -3 & -3 & -4 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & \frac{4}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

Thus, we have that one eigenvector is

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus, the eigenspace for  $\lambda = 0$  is:

$$E_0 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Consider the  $\lambda = 0$  eigenvalue. Solving the equation  $(R + I)\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ , we can row reduce

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -2 & -3 & -4 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & \frac{3}{2} & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

From this, there are two L.I. eigenvectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence, the eigenspace for  $\lambda = -1$  is:

$$E_{-1} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

All together,

→ The eigenvalues of  $R$  are:

$$\lambda = 0, \quad \lambda = -1 \quad (\text{with multiplicity } 2).$$

→ The corresponding eigenspaces are:

$$E_0 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

and

$$E_{-1} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

## 7 Diagonalizable Transformation

For the linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ , defined by the formula

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4x - y \\ 2x + y \end{pmatrix},$$

find a basis  $B$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $[T]_B$  is diagonal (and prove your answer is correct).

We can write this in matrix form,  $T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ . The eigenvectors of this matrix and its corresponding eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1 = 2$  corresponding to  $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\lambda_2 = 3$  corresponding to  $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . I claim that a basis

$$\beta = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

makes  $[T]_B$  diagonal. Then, to check,  $T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Clearly, we then have that

$$[T]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

which verifies that  $[T]_\beta$  is a diagonal matrix of eigenvalues. □



## 8 Invariant Subspaces

Given some vector space  $V$  and a linear endomorphism  $T: V \rightarrow V$  (i.e., a linear transformation with the same domain and codomain, often also called a linear operator), we define a  $T$ -invariant subspace of  $V$  to be a subspace  $W \subseteq V$  such that  $T(W) \subseteq W$ . For each of the following linear endomorphisms, determine whether the given subspace is  $T$ -invariant subspace of  $V$ .

(a)  $V = \mathbb{R}[x], T(f(x)) = f'(x), W = \mathbb{R}[x]_{\leq 2}$ .

This is indeed a  $T$  invariant subspace as the derivative of  $ax^2+bx+c \in \mathbb{R}[x]_{\leq 2}$  is  $T(ax^2+bx+c) = 2ax+b$ . This remains in  $\mathbb{R}[x]_{\leq 2}$ . □

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(b)  $V = \mathbb{R}[x], T(f(x)) = xf(x), W = \mathbb{R}[x]_{\leq 2}$ .

This is not a  $T$  invariant subspace. We can consider a counterexample. Take  $f(x) = x^2 \in \mathbb{R}[x]_{\leq 2}$ . Clearly,  $x^3 \notin \mathbb{R}[x]_{\leq 2}$ . □

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(c)  $V = k^3, T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \end{pmatrix}, W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} : x_1 = x_2 = x_3 \right\}$ .

For any  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in k^3$ , let  $y = x_1 + x_2 + x_3$

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ y \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Clearly this satisfies being in  $W$ . □

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(d)  $V$  is the set of all continuous functions  $[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $T(f(t)) = \left( \int_0^1 f(x) dx \right) t, W = \{f \in V : f(t) = at + b \text{ for some } a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

This is indeed a  $T$ -invariant subspace. Consider  $\int_0^1 at + bdt$ . This produces  $\frac{a}{2} + b$ . Multiplying by  $t$  gives something of the form  $a't + b'$  where  $a' = \frac{a}{2} + b$  and  $b' = 0$ . Thus, this is invariant.

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(e)  $V = k^{2 \times 2}$ ,  $T(A) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} A$ ,  $W$  is the subspace of symmetric  $2 \times 2$  matrices, i.e., those  $2 \times 2$  matrices satisfying  $A^t = A$ .

This is not invariant. Consider  $T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$   
This matrix is clearly not symmetric. Thus, it is not invariant. □