

**Math 2102: Homework 2**  
**Due on: Feb. 26, 2024 at 11:59 pm.**

All assignments must be submitted via Moodle. Precise and adequate explanations should be given to each problem. Exercises marked with Extra might be more challenging or a digression, so they won't be graded.

1. Let  $U \subseteq V$  be a subspace and denote by  $\pi : V \rightarrow V/U$  the quotient map. Let  $\pi^* \in \mathcal{L}((V/U)^*, V^*)$  denote the associated dual linear map.

(i) Show that  $\pi^*$  is injective.

(ii) Show that  $\text{range } \pi^* = U^0$ .

(iii) Conclude that  $\pi^*$  is an isomorphism between  $(V/U)^*$  and  $U^0$ .

2. Consider  $V = \mathbb{C}((x))$  the set of Laurent series, i.e.  $a \in \mathbb{C}((x))$  is given by a series  $a(x) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} a_i x^i$ , where  $a_i \in \mathbb{C}$ , and such that there exists  $N \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a_n = 0$  for all  $n < N$ .

(i) Check that  $V$  is a vector space. Is the set  $\{x^n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  a basis of  $V$ ?

(ii) Given any  $g \in V$  consider the map  $L_g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  given by

$$L_g(f) = \text{Res}(gf) := \text{coefficient of } x^{-1} \text{ in } g(x)f(x),$$

Prove that  $L_g$  is a well-defined linear map.

(iii) Consider  $\varphi : V \rightarrow V^*$  given by  $\varphi(g) := L_g$ . Prove that  $\varphi$  is injective.

(iv) Let  $\mathbb{C}[[x]] \subset \mathbb{C}((x))$  be the subset of Taylor series, i.e.  $a \in \mathbb{C}[[x]]$  if  $a = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n x^n$  for some  $a_i \in \mathbb{C}$  and let  $\mathbb{C}[x^{-1}] \subset \mathbb{C}((x))$  denote the subset of  $a \in \mathbb{C}((x))$  such that  $a = \sum_{n \leq 0} a_n x^n$ , with  $a_m = 0$  for  $m \ll 0$ . Prove that  $\mathbb{C}[[x]]$  and  $\mathbb{C}[x^{-1}]$  are subspaces.

(v) Determine the range of  $\varphi$  restricted to  $\mathbb{C}[[x]]$  and  $\mathbb{C}[x^{-1}]$ .

3. Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear operator between real vector spaces. We define:

$$T_{\mathbb{C}} : V_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow W_{\mathbb{C}}, \quad T(u + iv) := T(u) + iT(v).$$

(i) Prove that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$  if and only if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $T_{\mathbb{C}}$ .

(ii) Prove that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $T_{\mathbb{C}}$  if and only if  $\bar{\lambda}$  is an eigenvalue of  $T_{\mathbb{C}}$ .

4. Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space and consider  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  and  $U \subseteq V$  a subspace invariant under  $T$ . The *quotient operator*  $T/U \in \mathcal{L}(V/U)$  is defined by:

$$T/U : V/U \rightarrow V/U, \quad T/U(v + U) := T(v) + U.$$

(i) Check that  $T/U$  is well-defined.

(ii) Show that each eigenvalue of  $T/U$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$ .

(iii) Prove that the minimal polynomial of  $T$  is a multiple of the minimal polynomial of  $T/U$ .

(iv) Prove that  $p_{T/U} p_{T|U}$  is a multiple of  $p_T$ , here  $p_S$  is the minimal polynomial of the operator  $S$ .