

Vv556 Methods of Applied Mathematics I

Linear Operators



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Assignment 1

Date Due: 2:00 PM, Thursday, the 21st of September 2017

This assignment has a total of (15 Marks).

Exercise 1.1

Let

$$U = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^4 : x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0, x_1 + 3x_2 = x_4\}, \quad V = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^4 : x_1 = x_4\},$$
$$U + V := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^4 : x = u + v, u \in U, v \in V\}.$$

Find $\dim U$, $\dim V$ and $\dim U + V$.

(3 Marks)

Exercise 1.2

Calculate the pointwise limit, if it exists, for each of the following function sequences $\{f_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ on the given domain and decide whether the convergence is uniform.

i) $f_n(x) = \sqrt[n]{x}$, $\text{dom } f_n = [0, 1]$,
(2 Marks)

ii) $f_n(x) = \frac{nx}{1 + n + x}$, $\text{dom } f_n = [0, \infty)$,
(2 Marks)

iii) $f_n(x) = \sqrt{1/n + x} - \sqrt{x}$, $\text{dom } f_n = (0, \infty)$,
(2 Marks)

Exercise 1.3

For $p \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ we define the ℓ^p -spaces of real sequences by

$$\ell^p := \left\{ (a_n) : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|^p < \infty \right\}$$

i) Prove that $\ell^p \subset \ell^q$ for $p < q$.
(2 Marks)

ii) Find a sequence (a_n) such that $(a_n) \in \ell^p$ for all $p > 1$ but $(a_n) \notin \ell^1$.
(2 Marks)

iii) Find¹ a sequence (a_n) of real numbers such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ but $(a_n) \notin \ell^p$ for all $p \in [1, \infty)$.
(2 Marks)

¹Kreyszig, Section 1.2, question 4