

Solutions to Prob 2b, 3b and 4a of HW6

2b) $f(x, y, z) = x + 2y + z$ is linear.

Check:

• Additivity:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2) &= (x_1 + x_2) + 2(y_1 + y_2) + (z_1 + z_2) \\ &= (x_1 + 2y_1 + z_1) + (x_2 + 2y_2 + z_2) \\ &= f(x_1, y_1, z_1) + f(x_2, y_2, z_2). \end{aligned}$$

• Multiplicative:

$$f(cx, cy, cz) = cx + 2cy + cz = c(x + 2y + z) = cf(x, y, z)$$

3b) The matrix representing g is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ g(e_1) & g(e_2) & g(e_3) \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 6 & 5 & 4 \\ 13 & 10 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find inverse of A :

$$[A | I_3] \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -4 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

A^{-1}

A^{-1} is the matrix representing g^{-1} (the inverse map of g).

$$g\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 1 \\ -4 & 5 & -2 \\ 5 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2y + z \\ -4x + 5y - 2z \\ 5x - 3y + z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$g(x, y, z) = (-2y + z, -4x + 5y - 2z, 5x - 3y + z).$$

4a) The matrix representing f is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The RREF of A is
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The third column is nonpivot. Thus, $x_3 = t$ (free variable).

The last row: $x_4 = 0$

The second row: $x_2 = t$

The first row: $x_1 = -2t$

Thus,

$$\ker(f) = \left\{ t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} : t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$\ker(f)$ is a 1-dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 , with basis $\{(-2, 1, 1, 0)\}$.