

**MATH 201: LINEAR ALGEBRA**  
**HOMEWORK DUE TUESDAY WEEK 7**

**Problem 1.** Let  $F$  be a field and  $T : F^n \rightarrow F^n$  a linear transformation. Let  $A$  be the matrix of  $T$  with respect to the standard ordered basis of  $F^n$ . Show that the column space of  $A$  is equal to the image of  $T$ .

**Problem 2.** Let  $V$  be a two-dimensional vector space, and let  $B$  be an ordered basis for  $V$ . Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$ , and suppose that the matrix of  $T$  with respect to  $B$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ . Show that

$$T^2 - (a + d)T + (ad - bc)I = 0,$$

where  $T^2 = T \circ T$  and  $I \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$  is the identity map.

**Problem 3.** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be the linear transformation defined by

$$T(x, y, z) = (3x, x - y, 2x + y + z).$$

Show that  $T$  is an isomorphism and find an explicit description of its inverse.

**Problem 4 (Bonus).** Let  $V$  and  $W$  be finite-dimensional vector spaces and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . Show that there exist bases  $B$  and  $B'$  for  $V$  and  $W$ , respectively, so that the matrix  $A$  of  $T$  with respect to these bases satisfies  $A_{ii} = 1$  for  $1 \leq i \leq \text{rank}(T)$ , and all other entries of  $A$  are 0.