- 1. Find four different subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
- 2. What is  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^2$ ? What about  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^4$ ?

3. Challenge Problem: Find a formula for  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^n$ .

## Vector Spaces

- 1. Which of the following are vector spaces?
  - (a) The set of polynomials with real coefficients of degree exactly 3
  - (b) The set of  $2 \times 3$  matrices in RREF
  - (c) The set of  $5 \times 5$  matrices X such that AX = 0, where A is a  $5 \times 5$  matrix.
  - (d) The set of differentiable functions  $f \colon \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  such that f' = f (where f' means the derivative of f)
  - (e) The set of even functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  (i.e. the set  $\{f \colon \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} \mid f(x) = f(-x) \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ )
  - (f) The set of convergent sequences of real numbers whose limit is 0.
  - (g) The set of convergent sequences of real numbers whose limit is 1.
  - (h) The set of English words.
- 2. Of the items in the previous question that are vector spaces, are any of them subspaces of some other vector spaces? If so, which ones?
- 3. Find 3 subspaces of  $\mathbb{P}_3$ .
- 4. Answer the following questions.
  - (a) Are the polynomials  $1, x^2, 3x^2 2$  linearly independent?
  - (b) Are the functions  $\sin^2(x), \cos^2(x)/2, 1$  linearly independent?
  - (c) Do the functions  $f: [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$  and  $g: [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by f(x) = x and  $g(x) = \sin(x)$ span all of C([0,1])? (Hint: think about f(0) and g(0).)
  - (d) Is the sequence (1, 0, 1, 0, ...) in the span of (1, 1, 1, 1, ...) and (1, -1, 1, -1, ...)?
  - (e) Are the following matrices linearly independent?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 5. Answer the following questions.
  - (a) Is  $\{1, x, x^2\}$  a basis for  $\mathbb{P}_2$ ?
  - (b) Is  $\{1, x, x^2\}$  a basis for  $\mathbb{P}_3$ ?

- (c) Is  $\{1, x^2, x, 3x^2 2\}$  a basis for  $\mathbb{P}_2$ ?
- (d) With f and g as in part (c), is  $\{f, g\}$  a basis for C([0, 1])?
- (e) What is the dimension of  $\mathbb{P}_2$ ?
- 6. Which of the following are linear transformations?
  - (a)  $T: \mathbb{P}_3 \to \mathbb{P}_3$  defined by  $T(p) = \frac{dp}{dx}$ .
  - (b)  $T: M_{2\times 3} \to M_{4\times 3}$  defined by T(B) = AB where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 \\ 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (c)  $T: M_{2\times 2} \to M_{2\times 2}$  defined by T(A) = A + I.
- (d)  $T \colon C([0,1]) \to C([0,1])$  defined by  $T(f) = f^2$ .
- (e)  $T: C(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $T(f) = \begin{bmatrix} f(0) \\ f(\pi) \end{bmatrix}$ .
- (f)  $T: C([0,1]) \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $T(f) = \int_0^1 f(x) \, dx$ .