

1. (10 pts) Let  $L : \mathcal{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_1$  be defined by  $L(a_2t^2 + a_1t + a_0) = (a_2 + a_0)t + (a_1 - a_0)$ . Consider the ordered bases  $S = \{t^2, t, 1\}$  and  $S' = \{t^2 + t, t + 1, 1\}$  for  $\mathcal{P}_2$  and  $T = \{t, 1\}$  and  $T' = \{t + 1, t + 3\}$  for  $\mathcal{P}_1$ .

- (a) Find the matrix representation  $M_{T \leftarrow S}(L)$  of  $L$  with respect to  $S$  and  $T$ .
- (b) Find the transition matrices  $P_{S \leftarrow S'}$  from  $S'$  to  $S$  and  $P_{T' \leftarrow T}$  from  $T$  to  $T'$ .
- (c) Use parts (a) and (b) to find the matrix representation  $M_{T' \leftarrow S'}(L)$  of  $L$  with respect to  $S'$  and  $T'$ .

This is Example 1 on page 300 of the text, disguised as a linear transformation  $L : \mathcal{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_1$  instead of  $L : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$ . The matrices will be exactly the same.

2. (5 pts) Find all values of  $t$  that make this determinant equal to zero.

$$\begin{vmatrix} t-1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & t & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & t+1 \end{vmatrix}$$

The best solution is probably via the algorithm for  $3 \times 3$  matrices.

$$\begin{vmatrix} t-1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & t & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & t+1 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} t-1 & 0 \\ -2 & t \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} t-1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & t & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & t+1 \end{vmatrix} = (t-1)(t)(t+1) + (0)(-1)(0) + (1)(-2)(0) - (0)(t)(1) - (0)(-1)(t-1) - (t+1)(-2)(0)$$

$= (t-1)(t)(t+1)$ . Setting the determinant equal to zero gives  $t = -1, 0, 1$ .

3. (5 pts) Find the value of this determinant.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 4 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -4 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -4 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 4 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 4$$