

MA347 – HW11

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1. Let $\varphi_1 : \text{Aff}(n, \mathbb{K}) \rightarrow \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{K})$ be defined by $\varphi_1(f_{A,a}) = A$. Prove that φ_1 is a group homomorphism and find $\text{Ker } \varphi_1$.

Proof φ_1 homo. Let $f_1 = f_{A_1, a_1}, f_2 = f_{A_2, a_2} \in \text{Aff}(n, \mathbb{K})$. Then, $\forall x \in \mathbb{K}^n$:

$$\begin{aligned}(f_1 \circ f_2)(x) &= f_1(f_2(x)) \\ &= f_1(A_2x + a_2) \\ &= A_1(A_2x + a_2) + a_1 \\ &= (A_1(A_2x) + A_1a_2) + a_1 && (L_{A_1} : \mathbb{K}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{K}^n \text{ is homo.}) \\ &= A_1(A_2x) + (A_1a_2 + a_1) && (\text{associativity of } \mathbb{K}^n) \\ &= (A_1A_2)x + (A_1a_2 + a_1) && (\text{associativity of } \text{GL}(N, \mathbb{K})) \\ &= f_{A_1A_2, A_1a_2+a_1}\end{aligned}$$

Thus $\varphi_1(f_1 \circ f_2) = \varphi_1(f_{A_1A_2, A_1a_2+a_1}) = A_1A_2 = \varphi_1(f_1)\varphi_1(f_2)$.

$\therefore \varphi_1$ is a group homomorphism. □

Finding the kernel of φ_1 :

$$\begin{aligned}f_{A,a} \in \text{Ker } \varphi_1 &\Rightarrow \varphi_1(f_{A,a}) = e_{\text{GL}(n, \mathbb{K})} \\ &\Rightarrow A = I_n \\ &\Rightarrow \text{Ker } \varphi_1 = \{f_{I_n, a} : a \in \mathbb{K}^n\}\end{aligned}$$