

Practice Problems

Module- 1

1. Given matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, find

- i. Echelon form of A.
- ii. Reduced row echelon form of A.

Ans: i $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$, ii. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$,

2. Solve the following system of equation using Gauss-elimination method

$$\begin{aligned} x - y + 2z + w &= 1 \\ 3x + y - w &= 3 \\ x + y + z &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

Ans: $w=t$ free variable, solution is $x=1-t/4$, $y=t/4$, $z=-t/2$, $w=t$.

3. Given system of equation

$$\begin{aligned} x + y - z + w &= 1 \\ 2x + y + z - w &= 2 \\ 3x + 3y + cz + 4w &= 4 \\ 2x + 2y - z + dw &= e \end{aligned}$$

Find the values of parameters c, d and e , such the system of equations

- (i) Has infinitely many solutions
- (ii) Has unique solutions
- (iii) Has no solution.

Ans: No solution: $c = -3, e \neq d + 1$ or $c \neq -3, d = 1$ and $e \neq 0$.

Unique solution: $c \neq 3, d \neq 1$.

Infinitely many solutions: $c = -3, e = d - 1$ or $c \neq 3, d = 1, e = 0$.

4. Use the Gauss-Jordon method to find the inverse of the matrix

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

Ans: $\frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

5. Find the LU decomposition of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and hence, us LU decomposition to find the solution of the following system of equations

$$\begin{aligned}x + 3y + 2z &= 1 \\x + 2y + 2z &= -1 \\2x + y + z &= 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Ans: } L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, x = 1, y = 2, z = -3,$$

Module 2:

1. Are the following sets vector spaces with the indicated operations? If not, why not?
 - i) The set V of nonnegative real numbers; ordinary addition and scalar multiplication.
 - ii) The set V of all polynomials of degree ≥ 3 , together with 0; operations of Polynomials.
 - iii) The set V of 2×2 matrices with equal column sums; operations of $M_{2 \times 2}$.
 - iv) The set V of all ordered pairs (x, y) with the addition of \mathbb{R}_2 , but using scalar multiplication $a(x, y) = (ax, -ay)$.
 - v) The set V of all 2×2 matrices with the addition of $M_{2 \times 2}$ but scalar multiplication * defined by $a * X = aX^T$.
 - vi) The set V of complex numbers; usual addition and multiplication by a real number.

Ans: i. additive inverse does not exist. (Not a vector space)

ii) Not closed with respect to vector addition. (Not a vector space)

iii) Not closed with respect to vector addition. (Not a vector space)

iv) Multiplication with 1 property is not satisfied. (Not a vector space)

v) Multiplication with 1 property is not satisfied. (Not a vector space)

vi) Vector space.

2. Which of the following are subspaces of P_3 (Set of all polynomials of degree ≤ 3)? Support your answer

- a. $U = \{f(x) \mid f(x) \in P_3, f(2) = 1\}$
- b. $U = \{xg(x) + (1-x)h(x) \mid g(x) \text{ and } h(x) \in P_2\}$

Ans: a. zero vector is not in U. Hence not a subspace.

b. Subspace. (will satisfy all property)

3. Which of the following are subspaces of $M_{2 \times 2}$ (Set of all 2×2 matrices)? Support your answer.

- a. $U = \{A \mid A \in M_{2 \times 2}, A^2 = A\}$
- b. $U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mid a + b = c + d; a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$
- c. $U = \{A \mid A \in M_{2 \times 2}, BAC = CAB\}, B \text{ and } C \text{ fixed } 2 \times 2 \text{ matrices.}$

Ans: a. Not closed with respect to vector addition. (Not a subspace)

b. Subspace (all properties will be satisfied).

c . Subspace (all subspace properties will be satisfied).

4. Write each of the following vector as linear combination of $x + 1$, $x^2 + x$, and $x^2 + 2$,
I. $x^2 + 3x + 2$, II. $2x^2 - 3x + 1$, III. $x^2 + 1$.

Ans: $a(x + 1) + b(x^2 + x) + c(x^2 + 2)$

I. $a = 2, b = 1, c = 0$.

II. $a = -3, b = -0, c = 2$.

III. $a = -1/3, b = 1/3, c = 2/3$.

5. Consider the vectors $p_1 = 1 + x + 4x^2$ and $p_2 = 1 + 5x + x^2$ in P_2 . Determine whether p_1 and p_2 lie in $\text{span}\{1 + 2x - x^2, 3 + 5x + 2x^2\}$.

Ans: $p_1, p_2 \notin \text{span}\{1 + 2x - x^2, 3 + 5x + 2x^2\}$.

6. Find the value of a such that the following subsets are linearly independent in \mathbb{R}^3

a. $\{(1, -1, 0), (a, 1, 0), (0, 2, 3)\}$

b. $\{(2, a, 1), (1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 3)\}$

Ans: a. $a \neq -1$, b. $a \neq -1/3$.

7. Find the basis and dimension of the following

a. $w = \{a(1 + x) + b(x + x^2) \mid a \text{ and } b \text{ in } \mathbb{R}\}$, subspace of P_2 (set of polynomials of degree atmost 2)

b. $w = \{p(x) \mid p(x) = p(-x)\}$, subspace of P_2 (set of polynomials of degree atmost 2)

c. $w = \{A \mid A^T = -A\}$, subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$ (set of all 2×2 matrices).

d. $w = \left\{A \mid A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A\right\}$, subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$ (set of all 2×2 matrices).

Ans: a. basis= $\{(1 + x), (x + x^2)\}$, dim=2.

b . basis= $\{1, x^2\}$, dim=2.

c . basis= $\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$, dim=2.

d . basis= $\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$, dim=2.

Module-3

1. Find the rank, basis and dimension of the row space, column space and null space of the following matrix

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

Ans: row reduced echelon form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -4.42 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -2.83 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1.75 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Row space= $\langle (1,-2,2,1,3), (1,1,-1,7,5), (2,-4,4,2,6), (-1,2,-2,3,4) \rangle$
Basis= $\{(1,0,0,-4.42), (0,1,-1,0,-2.83), (0,0,0,1,1.75)\}$, dim=3.
- Column space= $\text{span}\{(1,1,2,-1), (-2,1,-4,2), (2,-1,4,-2), (3,5,6,4)\}$
Basis= $\{(1,0,0,0), (0,1,0,0), (0,0,1,0)\}$, dim=3.
- Null space i.e. solution space of $AX=0$.
Basis= $\{(0,1,1,0,0), (4.82, 2.83, 0, 1.75, 1)\}$, dim=2=Nullity.