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Choose up to 6 problems to work. Work each problem on one of the attached pages; write the standard in the upper left corner. Show all work and justify all of your answers. Answers without work or sufficient reasoning will not receive credit. You may use a calculator, but you must show all relevant work to receive credit for a standard.

E1. Write a system of linear equations corresponding to the following augmented matrix.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 & 1 & -7 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 - x_2 &= 1 \\ -x_1 + 4x_2 + x_3 &= -7 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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E2. Find the reduced row echelon form of the matrix below.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} -1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ & \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 15 & -2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 24 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{12} & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{5}{12} & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{4}{12} & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{12} & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

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E3. Solve the system of linear equations.

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + y - z + w &= 5 \\ 3x - y - 2w &= 0 \\ -x + 5z + 3w &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

Solution:

$$\text{RREF} \left(\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right] \right) = \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{12} & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{4}{12} & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{7}{12} & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

So the solutions are

$$\left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} 1+a \\ 3-21a \\ -7a \\ 12a \end{array} \right] \mid a \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

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E4. Find a basis for the solution set to the homogeneous system of equations given by

$$3x + 2y + z = 0$$

$$x + y + z = 0$$

Solution: Let $A = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$, so $\text{RREF } A = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right]$. It follows that the basis for the solution set is given by $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

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V1. Let V be the set of all pairs of real numbers with the operations, for any $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V$, $c \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$(x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2)$$

$$c \odot (x_1, y_1) = (c^2 x_1, c^3 y_1)$$

(a) Show that scalar multiplication **distributes scalars** over vector addition:

$$c \odot ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) = c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2).$$

(b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

Solution: Let $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V$ and let $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\begin{aligned} c \odot ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) &= c \odot (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2) \\ &= (c^2(x_1 + x_2), c^3(y_1 + y_2)) \\ &= (c^2 x_1, c^3 y_1) \oplus (c^2 x_2, c^3 y_2) \\ &= c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2) \end{aligned}$$

However, V is not a vector space, as the other distributive law fails:

$$(c + d) \odot (x_1, y_1) = ((c + d)^2 x_1, (c + d)^3 y_1) \neq (c^2 + d^2)x_1, (c^3 + d^3)y_1 = c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus d \odot (x_1, y_1).$$

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V2. Determine if $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ belongs to the span of the set $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

Solution: Since

$$\text{RREF} \left(\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & -2 \\ -3 & -6 & 0 & 4 \end{array} \right] \right) = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

contains the contradiction $0 = 1$, $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ is not a linear combination of the three vectors.

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V3. Determine if the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -1 \\ 8 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ span \mathbb{R}^4 .

Solution:

$$\text{RREF} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since there are zero rows, they do not span. Alternatively, by inspection $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, so the set is linearly dependent, so it spans a subspace of dimension at most 3, therefore it does not span \mathbb{R}^4 .

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V4. Determine if $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \\ z \end{bmatrix} \mid x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 .

Solution: It is closed under addition and scalar multiplication, so it is a subspace. Alternatively, it is the image of the linear transformation from $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \\ z \end{bmatrix}.$$

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S1. Determine if the set of vectors $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly dependent or linearly independent

Solution:

$$\text{RREF} \left(\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This has a non pivot column, therefore the set is linearly dependent.

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S2. Determine if the set $\{x^2 + x - 1, 3x^2 - x + 1, 2x^2 - 2\}$ is a basis of \mathcal{P}^2 .

Solution:

$$\text{RREF} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the resulting matrix is the identity matrix, it is a basis.

□

S3. Let $W = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. Find a basis for this vector space.

Solution:

$$\text{RREF} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -11 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis of W .

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S4. Let $W = \text{span} \left(\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \right)$. Compute the dimension of W .

Solution:

$$\text{RREF} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 1 \\ -3 & 1 & -2 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This has 3 pivot columns so $\dim(W) = 3$.

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A1. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the linear transformation given by

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = [x_3 + 3x_1].$$

Write the matrix for T with respect to the standard bases of \mathbb{R}^3 and \mathbb{R} .

Solution:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

□

A2. Determine if $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ given by $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} e^x \\ e^y \end{bmatrix}$ is a linear transformation.

Solution: It is not linear. For example,

$$\begin{bmatrix} e^2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \neq 2T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2e \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

□

A3. Determine if each of the following linear transformations is injective (one-to-one) and/or surjective (onto).

(a) $S : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ where $S(\vec{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $S(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

(b) $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ where $T(\vec{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $T(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, and $T(\vec{e}_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution:

(a) $\text{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. The map is injective since every column has a pivot, but is not surjective because there is a row without a pivot.

(b) $\text{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$. The map is not injective since there is a column without a pivot, but it is surjective because every row has a pivot.

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A4. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the linear transformation given by

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} -3x + y \\ -8x + 2y - z \\ 2y + 3z \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute a basis for the kernel and a basis for the image of T .

Solution: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, and compute $\text{RREF}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Then a basis for the image is

its columns,

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

And the kernel is the solution set of $AX = 0$, so a basis would be

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

□

M1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Exactly one of the six products AB , AC , BA , BC , CA , CB can be computed. Determine which one, and compute it.

Solution: AC is the only one that can be computed, and

$$AC = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -2 & 14 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

□

M2. Determine if the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 7 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible.

Solution:

$$\text{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 7 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since it is not equivalent to the identity matrix, it is not invertible.

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M3. Find the inverse of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -3 \\ -14 & 9 & 24 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: $\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & -1 & -3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -14 & 9 & 24 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right]$. Thus the inverse is $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & -6 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

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G1. Compute the determinant of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: -60 .

□

G2. Compute the eigenvalues, along with their algebraic multiplicities, of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & 2 \\ 23 & -9 & 5 \\ -7 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: The eigenvalues are 0 (with algebraic multiplicity 1) and -2 (with algebraic multiplicity 2).

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G3. Find the eigenspace associated to the eigenvalue -1 in the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -3 & 2 \\ 19 & -6 & 5 \\ -11 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution: The eigenspace is spanned by $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5}{7} \\ \frac{12}{7} \\ -\frac{1}{7} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

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G4. Compute the geometric multiplicity of the eigenvalue 3 in the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ -4 & -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 14 & 12 & 11 & 2 \\ -14 & -10 & -9 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: The eigenspace is spanned by $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ \frac{2}{1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, so the geometric multiplicity is 2.

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