

1. a. Solve $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ completely if $[A|\vec{b}]_{\text{rref}} = \left[\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$.

From the Solution Algorithm, we have

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ 6 \\ -7 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + r \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where } r \text{ and } s \text{ are arbitrary real numbers.}$$

b. Display the row-reduced echelon forms of all 3×4 matrices whose rank is 3.

We list the 3×4 rref matrices in which 3 of the 4 columns are pivot columns.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & c \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & c & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & e & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad \text{Here, } a, b, c,$$

d , and e are arbitrary reals.

2. a. Show that the transformation $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$ defined by $f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} x^2 \\ x+1 \end{bmatrix}$

for any real x is **not** linear.

It suffices to show that f does not preserve sums or multiples. We demonstrate both.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f(ax) &= \begin{bmatrix} (ax)^2 \\ (ax)+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a^2x^2 \\ ax+1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \neq af(x) &= a \begin{bmatrix} x^2 \\ x+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ax^2 \\ ax+a \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \right| \begin{aligned} f(x+y) &= \begin{bmatrix} (x+y)^2 \\ (x+y)+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x^2 + 2xy + y^2 \\ x+y+1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \neq f(x) + f(y) &= \begin{bmatrix} x^2 \\ x+1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y^2 \\ y+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x^2 + y^2 \\ x+y+2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

if $a \neq 1$.

b. Determine the matrix for the linear transformation $g: \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$ such

that $g\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $g\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Since g is linear, $g(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ for some 3×2 matrix A and every \vec{x} in \mathbf{R}^2 .

So, the two equations above may be rewritten as

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or, more simply, } A \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solving for A , we find

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 - (-1) \cdot 1} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. a. Determine the inverse of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$[A | I] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \leftrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\leftrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \leftrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 6 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$= [A | I]_{ref} = [I | A^{-1}] \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -1 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b. Since the column vectors of A are non-coplanar, every vector in \mathbf{R}^3 is a unique linear combination of them.

i. Express the vector $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ as a linear combination of the column

vectors of A (call them \vec{v}_1 , \vec{v}_2 , and \vec{v}_3 , respectively) with unknown coefficients x_1 , x_2 , and x_3 .

$$\vec{b} = x_1 \vec{v}_1 + x_2 \vec{v}_2 + x_3 \vec{v}_3$$

ii. Rewrite this last equation in terms of A and the vector \vec{x} whose components are the coefficients to be determined.

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

iii. Solve this last equation for \vec{x} using part a.

$$\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -1 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. Let $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and let f be the linear transformation on \mathbf{R}^3 that reverses the direction of all vectors parallel to \vec{v} and doubles all vectors orthogonal to \vec{v} .

a. Determine the matrix for f .

We will let A be the matrix for f . A unit vector parallel to \vec{v} is

$$\hat{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and so, the matrix for projection onto}$$

$$\hat{u} \text{ is } P = \begin{bmatrix} u_1u_1 & u_1u_2 & u_1u_3 \\ u_2u_1 & u_2u_2 & u_2u_3 \\ u_3u_1 & u_3u_2 & u_3u_3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ For any vector } \vec{x} \text{ in } \mathbf{R}^3,$$

we have the following identity which expresses the resolution of \vec{x} into vector components parallel and orthogonal to \hat{u} : $\vec{x} = P\vec{x} + (I - P)\vec{x}$.

Applying the transformation to both sides of this identity and using the linearity of f , we obtain $f(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x} = f(P\vec{x}) + f((I - P)\vec{x})$. But the description of f above leads us to conclude that

$f(P\vec{x}) = -P\vec{x}$ and $f((I - P)\vec{x}) = 2(I - P)\vec{x}$. Therefore,

$A\vec{x} = -P\vec{x} + 2(I - P)\vec{x} = (2I - 3P)\vec{x}$. Since \vec{x} is arbitrary, we have

$$A = 2I - 3P = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{3}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

b. What does f do to (i.e. what is the image, under f , of) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$?

$$f\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$