

Quiz 7 - Math 257

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1 Problem 1

(a). To find a basis for the kernel of T , we must find all vectors \mathbf{v} such that $A\mathbf{v} = 0$. Let's compute this

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$
$$\begin{cases} x + y = 0 \\ -x + 2y = 0 \\ y = 0 \end{cases} \implies x + 0 = 0 \implies x = 0$$

Therefore, the kernel has only the trivial solution:

$$\ker(T) = \{0\}$$

(b). To find the range of the linear transformation represented by A , let's first test for linear independence of the column matrices by setting up the equation as follows:

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$
$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 = 0 \\ -c_1 + 2c_2 = 0 \\ c_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

The only solution to this is the trivial solution where $c_1 = c_2 = 0$, therefore, the column matrices are linearly independent. Since the column matrices are linearly independent, a basis for the range of T is

$$\text{range}(T) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

2 Problem 2

To do this problem, we will have to compute $P^{-1}AP$, since

$$A' = P^{-1}AP$$

First, let's compute A :

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = (1, 1 + 2(0), 1 + 0 + 0) = (1, 1, 1) \quad T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = (0, 0 + 2(1), 0 + 1 + 2(0)) = (0, 2, 1)$$

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = (0, 0 + 2(0), 0 + 0 + 3(1)) = (0, 0, 3)$$

Therefore,

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

Now, let's find the transition matrix from B' to B . We will call this P :

$$[BB'] \xrightarrow{RREF} [I_3 P] \implies \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \implies P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, let's find P^{-1} :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, all that's left is the computation for $P^{-1}AP$:

$$P^{-1}AP = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

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