

EE 5609/2100 Matrix Theory August – November 2024

Assignment 1

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z=(abcde) are the last five digits of your roll number. For example if your roll no is ee21btech11027, then x=11027 and a=1, b=1, c=0, d=2 and e=7.

- 1. Is $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$, in the span of the two vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ d \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} e \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$? If so, write it as a linear combination of these two vector. If not, show it is not.
- 2. Consider the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a} & 0 & 2 & \mathbf{e} & \mathbf{b} & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & -2 & 5 & 4 & 0 \\ \mathbf{d} & -1 & 0 & 8 & 5 & -1 \\ 4 & -1 & 2 & \mathbf{c} & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) What is the dimension of the column space of A?
- (b) What is the dimension of the null space of A?
- (c) Find a basis for the column space of A.
- (d) Find a basis for the null space of **A**.
- 3. Two vectors are said to be collinear when one can be written as a scalar multiple of the other. Consider two vectors **u** and **v** that are not collinear. Consider a vector **w** that does not belong to the linear span of **u** and **v**. Prove that **u**, **v**, **w** are linearly independent.
- 4. A matrix is said to be upper triangular if $a_{ij} = 0$ for i > j. Consider a generic 3 -by- 3 upper triangular matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) If $a_{11} = b$, $a_{22} = c$, and $a_{33} = e$ find the solution to Ax = 0.
- (b) If either $a_{11} = 0$, or $a_{22} = 0$ or $a_{33} = 0$, then prove that the columns are linearly dependent. (Consider all three cases separately.)
- (c) If $a_{22} = 0$, find a nonzero element in the nullspace of A.
- 5. Show that the vector space of polynomials of degree less or equal to d is of dimension d + 1. (For instance, the space of quadratic polynomials is of dimension 3.) Use this result to show that the vector space of all real functions cannot have finite dimension.
- Prove that if V and W are two-dimensional subspaces of R³ then V and W must have a non-zero vector in common.
- 7. Suppose A is a m × n matrix. Give the conditions on the rank of A such that left and right inverses exist, respectively. Can the left and right inverses of a matrix exist simultaneously?
- 8. If the product of two matrices is the zero matrix, AB = 0, show that the column space of B is contained in the null space of A.
- (Fredlholm's alternative) For any A and b, one and only one of the following systems has a solution:
 (1) Ax = b (2) {A^T y = 0, y^T b ≠ 0}. Show that it is contradictory for (1) and (2) both to have solutions.