

**MA1522 Homework 2**  
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Q1. (a) Check  $V$  by substituting  $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2, x_3 = 0, x_4 = 1$  into the equation of  $V$ :

$$\begin{aligned} 2(1) + 1(2) - 3(1) &= 1 \neq 0 \\ \implies \text{the vector does not satisfy the equation for } V \\ &\implies \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \notin V \end{aligned}$$

Check  $U$  by RREF:

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 1 & 7 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 & 4 & 2 \\ -3 & -1 & -3 & -3 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right] &\xrightarrow{RREF} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ \implies \text{inconsistent equation in the last row} \\ \implies \text{the vector is not in the column space} \\ &\implies \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \notin U \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \notin V \wedge \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \notin U \quad \blacksquare$

(b) From the RREF of the matrix formed by the spanning set of  $U$  in (a), we can see the 4th column vector is a linear combination of the 1st and 3rd. By removing either the 1st, 3rd, or 4th vector, we can get a linearly independent set which also spans  $U$ .

Therefore, a possible basis is  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad \blacksquare$

(c) Suppose there is a linear equation for  $U : a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_3 + a_4x_4 = \vec{b}$ , since  $\vec{0} \in U$ , the following equations must hold:

$$\begin{aligned} 3a_1 + 3a_2 - 3a_3 + 3a_4 &= 0 \\ 1a_1 + 3a_2 - 1a_3 + 2a_4 &= 0 \\ 7a_1 + 1a_2 - 3a_3 + 5a_4 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Reduce the corresponding matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 3 & -3 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 7 & 1 & -3 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right] &\xrightarrow{RREF} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3/4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/4 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ \implies \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \end{bmatrix} &= s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, s \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, a linear equation is  $3x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 - 4x_4 = 0 \quad \blacksquare$

(d) Firstly, check if  $T$  is linearly independent:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\implies T$  is linearly independent

Secondly, check if  $\text{Span}(T) \subseteq V$ :

$$\begin{aligned} 2(1) + 1(1) - 3(1) &= 0 \\ 2(2) + 1(-1) - 3(1) &= 0 \\ \implies \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} &\in V \end{aligned}$$

$\implies \text{Span}(T) \subseteq V$ , by closure over addition and multiplication

Thirdly, check if  $V \subseteq \text{Span}(T)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v} \in V = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 3x_4 - 2x_1 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + u \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s, t, u \in \mathbb{R} \\ \therefore V &= \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & | & -2 & 0 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & -1/3 & -1/3 & 2/3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & -2/3 & 1/3 & 4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\implies V \subseteq \text{Span}(T)$

Since  $\text{Span}(T) \subseteq V$  and  $V \subseteq \text{Span}(T)$ , then  $\text{Span}(T) = V$ , by the definition of set equality. Therefore,  $\text{Span}(T) = V$  and  $T$  is linearly independent  $\implies T$  is a basis for  $V$  ■

(e) For a vector  $\vec{v} \in U \cap V$ :

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + x_2 + 0x_3 - 3x_4 &= 0 \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 + 1x_3 - 4x_4 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Reduce the corresponding matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & -3 & | & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & -4 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -2 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \vec{v} = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

Therefore, a basis for  $U \cap V$  is  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  ■

Q2. Yes.

Includes zero vector: when  $s_1 = -1, s_2 = 1, s_3 = 2, \vec{v} = \vec{0}$

Closure over addition:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{u} + \vec{v} &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + s_1 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + s_2 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + s_3 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\quad + \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + t_1 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + t_2 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + t_3 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where } \vec{u}, \vec{v} \in V \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + (s_1 + t_1 + 1) \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + (s_2 + t_2 - 1) \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + (s_3 + t_3 - 2) \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + s'_1 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + s'_2 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + s'_3 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\mathbb{R} \text{ closed over addition}) \\
 &\implies u + v \in V
 \end{aligned}$$

Closure over multiplication:

$$\begin{aligned}
 c \cdot \vec{v} &= c \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + cs_1 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + cs_2 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + cs_3 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where } c \in \mathbb{R}, \vec{v} \in V \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + (cs_1 + c) \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + (cs_2 - c) \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + (cs_3 - 2c) \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + s'_1 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + s'_2 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + s'_3 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\mathbb{R} \text{ closed over addition/multiplication}) \\
 &\implies c\vec{v} \in V
 \end{aligned}$$

To check if the spanning set is a basis, check for linearly independence:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 6 & -2 \\ 6 & 3 & 3 \\ 8 & 7 & -4 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\implies$  all the vectors are linearly independent

Therefore, a basis for  $V$  is  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  ■

Q3. (a) Reduce matrix A:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 9 & 6 & 3 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\text{rank}(A) = \dim(\text{Col}(A)) = \text{number of pivot columns of } A = 3$  ■

(b) Yes; Suppose  $B = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \\ i & j & k & l \end{bmatrix}$ , then since  $BA = I_3 \iff A^T B^T = I_3$ , to solve, we reduce the system  $[A^T \mid I_3]$ :

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 2 & 9 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 6 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{RREF} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1/3 & -5/9 & 13/9 & -11/9 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2/9 & 7/27 & -11/27 & 10/27 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/3 & 2/9 & -7/9 & 8/9 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Therefore,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -5/9 + s/3 & 7/27 - 2s/9 & 2/9 - s/3 & s \\ 13/9 + t/3 & -11/27 - 2t/9 & -7/9 - t/3 & t \\ -11/9 + u/3 & 10/27 - 2u/9 & 8/9 - u/3 & u \end{bmatrix}, s, t, u \in \mathbb{R}$  ■

(c) No;  $\text{rank}(A) \neq \text{number of rows} = 4 \implies A$  has no right inverse. ■ (Math Cafe 7, Slide 30)

(d) No;  $\text{Nul}(A) \perp \text{Row}(A) \implies \text{Nul}(A^T) \perp \text{Col}(A) \implies \forall v \in \text{Nul}(A^T), \vec{v} \notin \text{Col}(A)$  ■

Alternatively, suppose nonzero  $\vec{v} \in \text{Nul}(A^T)$ , then  $A^T \vec{v} = \vec{0}$ :

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & 9 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 6 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{RREF} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2/9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/3 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\therefore \vec{v} = s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$$

However,  $A\vec{x} = \vec{v}$  will not be consistent as shown below:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 9 & 6 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & -9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{RREF} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Therefore, there exists no nonzero vector  $\vec{v} \in \text{Nul}(A^T) \wedge A\vec{x} = \vec{v}$  ■

Q4. (a) Find the transition matrix from  $S$  to  $T$ :

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

$$\text{Therefore } [w]_T = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & -1 \\ 1/2 & -1/2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} - x_3 \\ \frac{x_1 - x_2}{2} + x_3 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \blacksquare$$

(b) Find the transition matrix from  $B$  to the standard basis, using  $P_S$ , the transition matrix from  $S$  to the standard basis:

$$\begin{aligned} P_S P &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -3 & 3 & 3 \\ 6 & -3 & 6 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore, a basis for } B \text{ is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad \blacksquare$$