

# Linear Algebra and its Applications

## HW#4

1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 1 & 8 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Express the null space of  $A$  by the linear combination of free variables.

(b) Let  $b = [0, -1, -1]^T$ . Please find the complete solution.

2. Find the value of  $c$  that makes it possible to solve  $Ax = b$ , and solve it:

$$u + v + 2w = 2$$

$$2u + 3v - w = 5$$

$$3u + 4v + w = c.$$

3. Write the complete solutions  $x = x_p + x_n$  to the following systems:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

4. Write all known relations between  $r$  and  $m$  and  $n$  if  $Ax = b$  has

(a) no solution for some  $b$ .

(b) infinitely many solutions for every  $b$ .

(c) exactly one solution for some  $b$ , no solution for other  $b$ .

(d) exactly one solution for every  $b$ .

5. Explain why all these statements are false:

(a) The complete solution is any linear combination of  $x_p$  and  $x_n$ .

(b) A system  $Ax = b$  has at most one particular solution.

(c) If  $A$  is invertible there is no solution  $x_n$  in the nullspace.

6. Choose three independent columns of  $U$ . Then make two other choices. Do the same for  $A$ . You have found bases for which spaces?

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 4 & 6 & 8 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

7. Every column of  $AB$  is a combination of the columns of  $A$ . Prove

$\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  by the dimensions of the column space. Prove also that

$\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(B)$ .

8. Find a basis for each of these subspaces of  $\mathbf{R}^4$ :

- (a) All vectors whose components are equal.
- (b) All vectors whose components add to zero.
- (c) All vectors that are perpendicular to  $(1,1,0,0)$  and  $(1,0,1,1)$ .
- (d) The column space (in  $\mathbf{R}^2$ ) and nullspace (in  $\mathbf{R}^5$ ) of

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

9. The nullspace of a 4 by 3 matrix  $A$  is the line through  $(2,3,0)^T$ .
- (a) What is the rank of  $A$  and the complete solution to  $Ax=0$ ?
  - (b) What is the exact row reduced echelon form  $U$  of  $A$ ?

10. Write all known relations between  $r$  and  $m$  and  $n$  if  $Ax=b$  has

- (a) no solution for some  $b$ .
- (b) infinitely many solutions for every  $b$ .
- (c) exactly one solution for some  $b$ , no solution for other  $b$ .
- (d) exactly one solution for every  $b$ .

11. Prove that if either  $d=0$  or  $f=0$  (2 cases), the columns of  $U$  are dependent:

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix}$$

12. Find a basis for each of these following subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^4$

- (a) All vectors whose components are equal;
- (b) All vectors whose components add to zero;
- (c) All vectors that are perpendicular to  $(1, 1, 0, 0)^T$  and  $(1, 0, 1, 1)^T$ ;

13. By performing the elimination to  $A$  and  $b$  so that  $A$  is reduced to a echelon form:

$$[A \quad b] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & b_1 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & b_2 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 & b_3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & b_1 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & b_2 - 4b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & b_3 - 2b_2 + b_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $b$  to be in the column space, what condition does  $b$  has to meet?