

Linear Algebra 1—Exercise 5: Vector Spaces (II)—Independence, Basis, Dimension

To submit: 1 a, c, f 2 b 3 a, d 4 a 5 a 6 b, d, e 7 b, c 8 a, c 9 b 11

1)

- Check if the vectors $(4, -2, 1), (1, 2, 4), (5, 0, 5)$ comprise a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .
- Check if the vectors $(-1, -2, -3), (4, 5, 6), (7, 8, 9)$ comprise a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .
- Check if the vectors $(-4, 11, 12, 8), (2, 5, 6, 4), (1, 2, 3, 2), (1, 1, -1, 1)$ comprise a basis of \mathbb{R}^4 .
- Check if the polynomials $6 + 3x^3, x + 5x^2, 2x^2 + x^3, x^3$ comprise a basis of $\mathbb{R}_3[x]$.
- Check if the polynomials $1 - x, x + x^2, x^2 + x^3, \dots, x^{n-1} + x^n$ comprise a basis of $\mathbb{R}_n[x]$.
- Let V denote the vector space of 2×2 matrices with real entries. Check if $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ comprise a basis of V .
- Check if $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, D = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ comprise a basis of V (from part (f)).
- Check if $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ comprise a basis of V (from part (f)).

2)

- Express the polynomial $-x^2 + 3x + 11$ as a linear combination of the polynomials $x^2 - x + 6, 2x^2 - 3x$, and $x - 3$.
- Express the polynomial $x^2 - 2x + 1$ as a linear combination of the polynomials $3 + 2x + x^2, 1 + 4x + x^2$, and $2x + 1$.

3) Prove or disprove:

- The set $\{(3, 7, 10), (6, 1, 4), (-3, 2, 5)\}$ is linearly independent in \mathbb{R}^3 .
- The set $\{(-1, 2, 1, 1), (0, -1, 1, 1), (0, 2, 1, 1), (1, 2, -1, 1)\}$ is linearly independent in \mathbb{R}^4 .
- The vector $(-3, 10, 8)$ is a linear combination of $\{(1, 2, 0), (3, -1, 5)\}$.
- The vector $(0, -2, 5, 1)$ is a linear combination of $\{(1, 1, -3, 0), (0, 1, -1, 0), (2, 1, 0, -1), (1, 0, -1, 0)\}$.

4) Consider the vectors $\underline{u} = (1, -3, 2), \underline{v} = (2, -1, 1)$.

- 1) For which α is $(1, \alpha, 5)$ a linear combination of \underline{u} and \underline{v} ?
- 2) Find conditions on a, b, c so that (a, b, c) is a linear combination of \underline{u} and \underline{v} .

- b. Let $v_1 = (1, m, -1, 3), v_2 = (-1, 1, 2m, -1), v_3 = (1, -3, -m - 4, 1)$. Find all the values of m for which the vector $(0, 8, 10, 4)$ is a linear combination of v_1, v_2, v_3 .
- c. Find k such that the set $\{v_1 = (-1, 2, 3, 2), v_2 = (2, 2, 2, 2), v_3 = (-2, -5, -6, -4), v_4 = (2, 6, k, 5)\}$ is linearly dependent, or prove that there is no such k .

5) Let V denote the set of all functions from \mathbb{R} to itself.

- a. Show that f and g are linearly independent if $g(t) = \sin 2t, f(t) = \cos t$.
- b. Show that f, g, h are linearly independent if $f(t) = \sin t, g(t) = \cos t, h(t) = 3 + t$.

6)

- a. Find a basis and the dimension of the subspace W of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by $u_1 = (1, 4, -3, 2), u_2 = (1, 3, -1, 2), u_3 = (3, -8, -2, 7)$. Extend this basis of W to a basis of \mathbb{R}^4 , and prove that your answer is indeed a basis.
- b. Find a basis and the dimension of the subspace W of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by $u_1 = (1, -2, -5, 3), u_2 = (2, 3, -1, -4), u_3 = (3, 6, -3, -5)$. Extend this basis of W to a basis of \mathbb{R}^4 , and prove that your answer is indeed a basis.
- c. Find a basis B and the dimension of the subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 spanned by $u_1 = (-1, -2, 2), u_2 = (3, 1, 2), u_3 = (4, -2, 7), u_4 = (2, 2, 0), u_5 = (1, 4, 3)$, so that $B \subseteq \{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5\}$.
- d. Find a basis B and the dimension of the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by $u_1 = (3, -1, -2, 1), u_2 = (-2, 3, -1, 2), u_3 = (1, 4, -3, 3), u_4 = (2, 2, 0, 4), u_5 = (2, 3, -9, 7)$, so that $B \subseteq \{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4\}$.
- e. Given the vectors $v_1 = (-4, -5, -10, -8), v_2 = (1, 0, 2, 1), v_3 = (-2, 3, 4, 2), v_4 = (1, 1, 0, 3)$. Denote $U = \text{Sp}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$. Find a basis B of U such that $B \subseteq \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$.
- f. Given the vectors $v_1 = (4, 1, 2, 3), v_2 = (0, 0, -1, 0), v_3 = (1, 2, 3, 2), v_4 = (-2, 2, 6, 5)$. Denote $U = \text{Sp}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$. Find a basis B of U such that $B \subseteq \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$.

7)

- a. Find a basis and the dimension of the solution space to the system:
$$\begin{cases} 2x - y + 4z = 0 \\ x - 2y + 2z = 0 \\ 5x - 4y + 10z = 0 \end{cases}$$
- b. Find a basis and the dimension of the solution space to the system:
$$\begin{cases} -2x - 3y = 0 \\ -10x - 15y = 0 \end{cases}$$
- c. Find a basis and the dimension of the solution space to the system:
$$\begin{cases} 5x - y = 0 \\ -x + 12y = 0 \end{cases}$$
- d. Find a basis and the dimension of the solution space to the system:
$$\begin{cases} 2x - 2y - 2z + 2w = 0 \\ x - y + z + 3w = 0 \end{cases}$$

8) Determine in each part if the claim is true or false, and explain:

- If $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4$ are vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 , and $\vec{v}_3 = 2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2$, then the set $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$ is linearly dependent.
- If $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4$ are vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 , and $\vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$, then the set $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$ is linearly dependent.
- If $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4$ are vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 , and \vec{v}_3 is **not** a linear combination of $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_4$, then the set $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$ is linearly independent.
- If $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4$ are vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 , and the set $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ is linearly dependent, then the set $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$ is linearly dependent.
- If the set $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$ is linearly independent, then the set $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ is linearly independent.

9)

- Let $B = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ be a basis of a vector space V of dimension 3. Prove or disprove: $\{v_1 + v_2, v_1 + 5v_2 + 2v_3, v_1 + 2v_2 - v_3\}$ is a basis of V .
- Let $B = \{u, v, w\}$ be a basis of a vector space V . Prove that $C = \{u, u + v, u - v - 2w\}$ is also a basis of V .

10) Let $V = M_3(\mathbb{R})$ and let $W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & a & b \\ e & d & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in V \mid a, b, c, d, e \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$. Let U be the space of symmetric 3x3 matrices with real entries.

- Find a basis of U and its dimension.
- Find a basis of W and its dimension.
- Find a basis of $U \cap W$ and its dimension.

11) Let $V = M_3(\mathbb{R})$ and let $W = \{A \in M_3(\mathbb{R}) \mid A = A^T\}$. Let U be the subspace of V consisting of all matrices in which the sum of each row is 0.

- Find a basis of U and its dimension. Find a basis of W and its dimension.
- Find a basis of $U \cap W$ and its dimension.

12) Let $V = \mathbb{R}_3[x]$ and let $W = \{p(x) \in \mathbb{R}_3[x] \mid p(1) = 0\}$.

Let $U = \{p(x) \in \mathbb{R}_3[x] \mid p(2) = p(0)\}$.

- Find a basis of U and its dimension. Find a basis of W and its dimension.
- Find a basis of $U \cap W$ and its dimension.

13) Given the matrices $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$, $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $C = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ in the vector space

$M_2(\mathbb{R})$. Let $U = \text{Span} \{A, B, C\}$.

- a. Is the set $\{A, B, C\}$ linearly dependent? Prove or disprove.
- b. Find a basis of U .
- c. Does the matrix $D = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ belong to the subspace U ?
- d. If the answer to part (c) is yes, write D as a linear combination of the basis you found in part (b). Otherwise, find the dimension of the set $\text{Span} \{A, B, C, D\}$.