

Chapter 1-7 - Linear Independence

1) Determine if the vectors are linearly independent.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 4 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Check if no free variable,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & -6 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3' = R_3 + 3R_2$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since no free variables, linearly independent

3) Determine if the vectors are linearly independent,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

For two vectors, if at least one is a scalar multiple, then linearly dependent

$$-3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linearly Dependent

5) Determine if the columns form a linearly independent set.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -8 & 5 \\ 3 & -7 & 4 \\ -1 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Swap R_1 and R_4

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 3 & -7 & 4 \\ -1 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & -8 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2' = R_2 - 3R_1$$

$$R_3' = R_3 + R_1$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & -8 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3' = R_3 - R_2$$

$$R_4 = R_4 + 4R_2$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

No free variables

Linearly independent

7) Determine if the columns of the matrix form a linearly independent set.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ -2 & -7 & 5 & 1 \\ -4 & -5 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2' = R_2 + 2R_1$$

$$R_3' = R_3 + 4R_1$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 11 & -5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3' = R_3 - 11R_2$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

x_4 is free

Linearly dependent

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$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 9 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \\ h \end{bmatrix}$$

a) For what values of h is v_3 in $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2\}$?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 5 \\ -3 & 9 & -7 \\ 2 & -6 & h \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2' = R_2 + 3R_1, R_3' = R_3 - 2R_1$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & h+10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Due to row $[008]$, v_3 is never in $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2\}$ for any h

b) For what values of h is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ linearly dependent?

In the reduced coefficient matrix, Column 2 is free,

For all h , this system is linearly independent.

ii)

For which values of " h " is the system linearly dependent?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ h \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ -1 & -5 & 5 \\ 4 & 7 & h \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2' = R_2 + R_1$$

$$R_3' = R_3 - 4R_1$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & -5 & h+4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2' = \frac{1}{-2} R_2$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -5 & h+4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3' = R_3 + 5R_2$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & h-6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linearly dependent when

$$h-6=0$$

$$h=6$$

iii)

For which values of " h " is the system linearly dependent?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -9 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ h \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ -3 & 6 & -9 \\ 5 & -9 & h \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2' = R_2 + 3R_1$$

$$R_3' = R_3 - 5R_1$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & h-15 \end{bmatrix}$$

x_3 is free

Linearly dependent for all h

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15) Determine by inspection whether the vectors are linearly independent.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linearly dependent by Theorem 8 since more vectors than dimensions in the vectors.

17) Determine by inspection whether the vectors are linearly independent.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linearly dependent by Theorem 9 since it contains the zero vector.

9) Determine by inspection whether the vectors are linearly independent.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 12 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linearly dependent by Theorem 7 since the second vector is a linear combination (i.e., scalar multiple) of the first.

21)

a) False - The linear solution always exists. It must be the only solution to be linearly independent.

b) False - All vectors need not be linear combinations of each other. Just one suffices.

c) True - By Theorem 8, the set of vectors with more vectors than dimensions is linearly dependent.

d) True - If \vec{x} and \vec{y} are linearly independent and \vec{z} is in $\text{span}\{\vec{x}, \vec{y}\}$, then \vec{z} is a linear combination of \vec{x} and \vec{y} . By Theorem 7 this makes them linearly dependent.

23 & 25) Use the echelon matrix notation to indicate the following:

\blacksquare - Pivot
 $*$ - Any number
 0 - Zero

23) A linearly independent 3×3 matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \blacksquare & * & * \\ 0 & \blacksquare & * \\ 0 & 0 & \blacksquare \end{bmatrix}$$

25) A 4×2 matrix $[\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2]$ and \vec{a}_2 is not a multiple of \vec{a}_1 .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \blacksquare \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \blacksquare & * \\ 0 & \blacksquare \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

27) How many pivot columns must a 7×5 matrix have if it is linearly independent?

To be linearly independent, there must be **no free variables**.

To have no free variables, **every column must have a pivot**

This means there must be **five pivot columns**.

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29) Construct 3×2 matrices **A** and **B** such that $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has only the trivial solution while $B\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has nontrivial solution.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

31) Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 \\ -5 & 1 & -4 \\ -3 & -1 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, observe that the third column is the sum of the first two columns. Find a nontrivial solution of $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

$$\vec{a}_1 + \vec{a}_2 = \vec{a}_3$$

$$\vec{a}_1 + \vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_3 = \vec{0}$$

$$x_1 = 1, x_2 = 1, x_3 = -1$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

33) If $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$ are in \mathbb{R}^4 and $\vec{v}_3 = 2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2$ then $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$ are linearly dependent.

True - By theorem 7, if a vector is a linear combination of a set of other vectors, then they are linearly dependent.

35) If \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 are in \mathbb{R}^4 and \vec{v}_2 is not a scalar multiple of \vec{v}_1 , then $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$ is linearly independent.

False - \vec{v}_1 (not \vec{v}_2) could be the zero vector.