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EE5609 Assignment 10

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Abstract—This document solves problem based on solution of vector space.

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https://github.com/abhishekt711/EE5609/tree/master/Assignment 10

1 Problem

Consider the vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 defined by:

$$\alpha_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1\\0\\1\\2 \end{pmatrix}, \ \alpha_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3\\4\\-2\\5 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \alpha_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\4\\0\\9 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find a system of homogeneous linear equations for which the space of solutions is exactly the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by the given three vectors.

2 Solution

A system of linear equations is homogeneous if all of the constant terms are zero. It can be represented as,

$$\mathbf{AX} = 0 \tag{2.0.1}$$

Let **R** be a echelon matrix which is reduced to A. Then the systems $\mathbf{AX} = 0$ and $\mathbf{RX} = 0$ have the same solutions. Here,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 1\\ 0 & 4 & 4\\ 1 & -2 & 0\\ 2 & 5 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.2}$$

By operating column operation on A, we get:

$$\begin{pmatrix}
-1 & 3 & 1 \\
0 & 4 & 4 \\
1 & -2 & 0 \\
2 & 5 & 9
\end{pmatrix}
\xrightarrow{C_3 = C_3 - 2C_1 - C_2}
\begin{pmatrix}
-1 & 3 & 0 \\
0 & 4 & 0 \\
1 & -2 & 0 \\
2 & 5 & 0
\end{pmatrix} (2.0.3)$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
(2 \quad 5 \quad 0) \\
C_1 = -C_1 \\
\longleftrightarrow \\
\begin{pmatrix}
1 \quad 3 \quad 0 \\
0 \quad 4 \quad 0 \\
-1 \quad -2 \quad 0 \\
-2 \quad 5 \quad 0
\end{pmatrix} (2.0.4)$$

$$\stackrel{C_2=C_2-3C_1}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 11 & 0 \end{pmatrix} (2.0.5)$$

$$\stackrel{C_2 = \frac{1}{4}C_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ -2 & \frac{11}{4} & 0 \end{pmatrix} (2.0.6)$$

The bais vector is non zero vector which are given from 2.0.6,

$$\rho_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \rho_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{11}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.0.7)

 ρ_1 , ρ_2 forms the basis of the solution space. The required homogeneous matrix equation is given as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -1 & \frac{1}{4} \\ -2 & \frac{11}{4} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}$$
 (2.0.8)