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# Linear Algebra & Applications

Solutions for Homework # 4

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Q1)

a) let  $K = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$  and  $K = v_1 \cdot c_1 + v_2 \cdot c_2 + v_3 \cdot c_3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4c_1 - 2c_2 + c_3 = a \\ 3c_1 - c_2 + c_3 = b \\ 2c_1 - c_2 + c_3 = c \\ c_1 = d \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 1 & | & a \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & | & b \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & | & c \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & | & d \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{E_{1,4}(-4) \\ E_{2,4}(-3) \\ E_{3,4}(-2)}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 1 & | & a-4d \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & | & b-3d \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & | & c-2d \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & | & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{E_{3,1}(-2)} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & | & a-2c \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & | & b-3d \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & | & c-2d \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & | & d \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{E_{2,2}(\frac{1}{2}) \\ E_{3,2}(-1)}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & | & a-2c \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & | & b-3d \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & | & c-b+3d \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & | & b/2-d/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the system to be consistent,  $a-2c$  must be 0

Given vector spans a subspace consisting of vector  $K$ , that

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 2c \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix}; b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$$

b) The vectors are linearly independent if and only if

the eq.  $v_1 \cdot c_1 + v_2 \cdot c_2 + v_3 \cdot c_3 = 0$  only has the trivial solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4c_1 - 2c_2 + c_3 = 0 \\ 3c_1 - c_2 + c_3 = 0 \\ 2c_1 - c_2 + c_3 = 0 \\ c_1 = 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Same operations used in the section a}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & | & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$ , the vectors are linearly independent

c) The dimension for  $\mathbb{R}^4$  is 4, therefore any linearly ind. 4 vectors form a basis.

We already have 3 vectors which are linearly independent, but they don't span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ , if we can find a fourth vector  $v$  which is not in the span, we can write the basis for  $\mathbb{R}^4$  (add-minus theorem)

We found that subspace spanned of the given vectors consists of vectors such:

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 2c \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix}; b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \text{ therefore } v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is not in the span}$$

$$\text{A basis for } \mathbb{R} \text{ is } \{(1, 3, 2, 1), (-2, 0, -1, 0), (0, 3, 0, 1), (1, 2, 3, 4)\}$$

Q2)  $\nabla \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x = \cos 2x \Rightarrow f_1 = \cos 2x \text{ and } f_2 = \cos 2x$

Applying Wronskian:

$$\begin{vmatrix} \cos 2x & \cos 2x \\ (\cos 2x)' & (\cos 2x)' \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \cos 2x & \cos 2x \\ -2\sin 2x & -2\sin 2x \end{vmatrix} = -2\sin 2x \cos 2x + 2\sin 2x \cos 2x = 0$$

Since the wronskian is equal to 0, these vectors are linearly dependent.

Q3) Dimension of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is 3, therefore basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  consists of 3 vectors

Choose  $u_1, u_3, u_4 \Rightarrow$  Test for linear independence:

$$u_1 \cdot c_1 + u_3 \cdot c_3 + u_4 \cdot c_4 = 0, \text{ find } c_1, c_3, c_4$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_1 + c_3 \\ -2c_1 \\ -c_3 + 7c_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_3 \\ c_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-E_1(2)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-E_2(1/2)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\substack{E_1(2) \\ E_3(1)}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 = 0 \\ c_3 = 0 \\ c_4 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{Vectors are linear independent}$$

Since our number of vectors is equal to the dimension of the plane, we can say  $u_1, u_3, u_4$  form a basis without testing for their span.

$$\text{Base} = \{(1, -2, 0), (1, 0, -1), (0, 0, 7)\}$$

$\nabla$  Express the remaining vector,  $u_2$ , by the base vectors

$$u_1 \cdot c_1 + u_3 \cdot c_3 + u_4 \cdot c_4 = u_2, \text{ find } c_1, c_3, c_4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{matrix} c_1 + c_3 & = & 1 \\ -2c_1 - c_3 + 7c_4 & = & 2 \\ -c_3 + 7c_4 & = & 4 \end{matrix} \quad \left\} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_3 \\ c_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right.$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 & 4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{E_2(-1/2)} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 & 4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{E_{1,2}(-1)} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

$$E_{1,2} \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 & 4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{E_{3,2}(1)} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & 6 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{E_3(1/7)} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 6/7 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{matrix} c_1 = -1 \\ c_3 = 2 \\ c_4 = 6/7 \end{matrix} \quad \left\} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} &= -1 \cdot \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{u_2} + 2 \cdot \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}}_{u_3} + \frac{6}{7} \cdot \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}}_{u_4} \end{aligned}$$

The dimension of the subspace spanned by these vectors is 4.

Q4) If we remove a vector from a set of linearly independent vectors, the remaining ones will also be linearly independent. But since the remaining vectors are less than the dimension, they won't be a basis for the space.

Since those 4 vectors are the basis for the space, any other vector can be expressed as a linear combination of the basis vectors. Therefore, if we add another vector to the set, our new set of vectors will be linearly dependent.

Q5) Let  $M$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  that is spanned by the given vectors. If we find a vector  $v$  such that  $v \notin M$ , then our new set of vectors which additionally has  $v$  in, is a larger linearly independent set.

Q6) The vectors  $u$  and  $v$ , are the basis for the  $uxv$  plane.

The vector resulting from  $\text{proj}_{uxv} w$  lies in the  $uxv$  plane, therefore it can be expressed as a linear combination of the basis vectors  $u$  and  $v$ .

Therefore  $u, v$  and  $\text{proj}_{uxv} w$  are not linearly independent.

Q7) The basis for  $2 \times 2$  matrices has 4 vectors. If we are given 5  $2 \times 2$  matrices, only 4 of them can be linearly independent in total. So, in the worst case scenario, at least one of the five vectors is linearly dependent and therefore can be expressed as a linear combination of the remaining vectors.

The basis for  $3 \times 3$  matrices consists of 9 vectors. If we are given 5  $3 \times 3$  matrices, every one of them can be linearly independent. In such a case, the given matrices can not be expressed as a linear combination of the remaining ones.