

# Homework 3

Math 416, Abstract linear algebra, Fall 2019

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**Textbooks:** In the assignment, the two texts are abbreviated as follows:

- [FIS]: Freidberg, Insel, and Spence, *Linear Algebra*, 4th edition, 2002.
- [Bee]: Beezer, *A First Course in Linear Algebra*, Version 3.5, 2015.

1. Find the solution sets to the following linear systems.

$$(a) \begin{cases} 2x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 + 7x_4 = 14 \\ 2x_1 + 8x_2 - 4x_3 + 5x_4 = -1 \\ x_1 + 3x_2 - 3x_3 = 4 \\ -5x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 4x_4 = -19 \end{cases}$$

$$(b) \begin{cases} 2x_1 + 4x_2 + 5x_3 + 7x_4 = -26 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 - x_4 = -4 \\ -2x_1 - 4x_2 + x_3 + 11x_4 = -10 \end{cases}$$

$$(c) \begin{cases} 2x_1 + x_2 + 7x_3 - 2x_4 = 4 \\ 3x_1 - 2x_2 + 11x_4 = 13 \\ x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 - 3x_4 = 1 \end{cases}$$

2. Determine whether the two matrices are row-equivalent.

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 3 & -1 & 5 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 4 & 1 & 6 & 5 & 9 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$(b) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & -4 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & -2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

3. Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $S$  a subset of  $V$ . Show that  $S$  is linearly independent if and only if for any  $v_1, \dots, v_n \in S$ ,

$$x_1 v_1 + \dots + x_n v_n = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_1 = \dots = x_n = 0.$$

4. Let  $n \geq 2$  and  $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ . Define  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \in V$  by  $v_n = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$  and for  $i = 2, \dots, n$ , the  $i$ -th entry of  $v_i$  are 1 and  $j$ -th entry is zero for each  $j > i$ . That is,

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= (1, 0, \dots, 0), \\ v_2 &= (a_{12}, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \\ &\vdots \\ v_n &= (a_{1n}, \dots, a_{n-1,n}, 1). \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Show that  $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is linearly independent.
- (b) Show that  $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  generates  $V$ .
5. Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $V = \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$  be the set of all functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $S = \{\sin(2^k x) : k = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be a subset of  $V$ . Show that  $S$  is linearly independent.
6. Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $u, v \in V$  with  $u \neq v$ . Show that  $\{u, v\}$  is linearly dependent if and only if  $u = c_1 v$  or  $v = c_2 u$  for some  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ .
7. Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- (a) Let  $u, v \in V$  and  $u \neq v$ . Prove that  $\{u, v\}$  is linearly independent if and only if  $\{u + v, u - v\}$  is linearly independent.
- (b) Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $S$  be the set of  $n$  distinct elements  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  in  $V$  (that is,  $v_i \neq v_j$  for all  $i \neq j$ ). Let  $A = (A_{ij}) \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  and define  $T = \{w_1, \dots, w_n\}$  where
- $$w_j = A_{1j}v_1 + \dots + A_{nj}v_n$$
- for each  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Suppose  $S$  is linearly independent. Show that  $T$  is linearly independent if and only if the linear system associated to  $(A, 0)$  has exactly one (trivial) solution.
8. Let  $W$  be the set of all  $(2 \times 2)$  matrices  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  with  $a + d = 0$ . Find a basis for  $W$ .
9. Find bases for the following subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .
- (a)  $W_1 = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) : x_1 - x_3 - x_4 = 0\}$
- (b)  $W_2 = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) : x_2 = x_3 = x_4, x_1 + x_5 = 0\}$
10. Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $W_1, W_2 \leq V$ . Show that if  $W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$ , then  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) = \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2)$ . (Recall that  $W_1 + W_2 = \{x + y : x \in W_1, y \in W_2\}$  is a subspace of  $V$ .)