

# Applied Linear Algebra

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## Homework

### Chapter 3: Vector space

1. Determine whether the sets, together with standard operations

a)  $S = \{(x, y) : x \geq 0, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Vector addition  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in S$

$$\Rightarrow x_1, x_2 \geq 0, y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2) \in S$$

Because of  $x_1, x_2 \geq 0; x_1 + x_2 \geq 0$  and  $y_1 + y_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

Scalar multiplication

Let  $(x, y) \in S \rightarrow x \geq 0, y \in \mathbb{R}$

$\bullet \lambda = -1$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(x, y) = -1(x, y) = (-x, y) \notin S$$

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b)

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2.

Is not a vector space  $(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 y_1, x_2 y_2)$

$$(x_2 y_2) + (x_1, y_1) \stackrel{\text{not}}{=} (x_2 y_2, x_1 y_1)$$

3.

a)  $W = \{(0, x_2, x_3) : x_2, x_3 \text{ are real numbers}\}$

Proof: See  $(0, 0, 0) \in W \Rightarrow W \neq \emptyset'$

Let  $u, v \in W$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow u &= (0, x_2, x_3) \text{ and } v = (0, y_2, y_3) \text{ with } x_2, x_3, y_2, y_3 \text{ are real} \\ \Rightarrow u + v &= (0, x_2, x_3) + (0, y_2, y_3) \\ &= (0, x_2 + y_2, x_3 + y_3) \in W \\ \Rightarrow u + v &\in W \text{ (1)} \end{aligned}$$

Next, take any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \lambda u = \lambda(0, x_2, x_3)$   
 $= (0, \lambda x_2, \lambda x_3) \in W$   
 $\Rightarrow \lambda u \in W \text{ (2)}$

From (1) and (2),  $W$  is subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

b)  $W = \{(x_1, x_2, 4) : x_1, x_2 \text{ are real numbers}\}$

Let  $u, v \in W$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= (x_1, x_2, 4) \text{ and } v = (y_1, y_2, 4); x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2 \text{ are real num} \\ \Rightarrow u + v &= (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, 4) \notin W \text{ (W is a unclosed w.r.t addition)} \\ \Rightarrow u + v &\notin W \text{ (1)} \end{aligned}$$

- Take any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \lambda u &= \lambda(x_1, x_2, 4) \\ &= (\lambda x_1, \lambda x_2, 4) \notin W \\ \Rightarrow \lambda u &\notin W \text{ (2)} \end{aligned}$$

From (1), (2)  $\Rightarrow W$  is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

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4. Write each vector as a linear combination of the vectors

$$S = \{(2, 0, 7), (2, 4, 5), (2, -12, 13)\}$$

a)  $u = (-1, 5, 6)$

$$\text{Let } u = c_1(2, 0, 7) + c_2(2, 4, 5) + c_3(2, -12, 13)$$

$$\Rightarrow (-1, 5, 6) = (2c_1 + 2c_2 + 2c_3, 4c_2 - 12c_3, 7c_1 + 5c_2 + 13c_3)$$

$$\begin{cases} 2c_1 + 2c_2 + 2c_3 = -1 \\ 4c_2 - 12c_3 = 5 \\ 7c_1 + 5c_2 + 13c_3 = 6 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

The above system of equations (1) can be written as :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & -12 \\ 7 & 5 & 13 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $A \quad \quad \quad B$

Then, the system  $Ax = B$  is consistent if  $\text{rank}(AB) = r(A)$   
where  $[AB]$  denote the augmented matrix

$$[AB] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 & -12 & 5 \\ 7 & 5 & 13 & -6 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & \frac{5}{4} \\ 7 & 5 & 13 & -6 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 - 7R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & -2 & 6 & -5 \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 + 2R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Hence  $\text{rank}(AB) = \text{rank}(A) = 2$

The system  $Ax = B$  has infinitely many solutions

The reduced system is

$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$c_2 - 3c_3 = \frac{5}{4}$$

Since  $r(A) = 2$  and no. of variables = 3

We can choose 3-2 = 1 variable independently

Let  $c_3 = 0$

Then  $c_2 - 3c_3 = \frac{5}{4} \Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{5}{4}$

$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow c_1 + \frac{5}{4} = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow c_1 = -\frac{7}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{7}{4} \\ \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a solution}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b) \quad v &= (-3, 15, 18) \\ &= c_1(2, 0, 7) + c_2(2, 4, 5) + c_3(2, -12, 13) \\ \Rightarrow (-3, 15, 18) &= (2c_1 + 2c_2 + 2c_3, 4c_2 - 12c_3, 7c_1 + 5c_2 + 13c_3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2c_1 + 2c_2 + 2c_3 = -3 \\ 4c_2 - 12c_3 = 15 \\ 7c_1 + 5c_2 + 13c_3 = 18 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 2 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 4 & -12 & 15 \\ 7 & 5 & 13 & 18 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 4 & -12 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 36 \end{array} \right]$$

$\rightarrow$  No solution, can't write  $v$  as  $u_1, u_2, u_3$

5. Determine whether the set  $S$  spans  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$a) \quad S = \{(4, 7, 3), (-1, 2, 6), (2, -3, 5)\}$$

$$(x, y, z) = a(4, 7, 3) + b(-1, 2, 6) + c(2, -3, 5)$$

$$\begin{cases} 6a - 3b + c = 0 \\ 7a + 4b - 3c = 0 \Rightarrow a = b = c = 0 \\ a + 7b + 4c = 0 \end{cases}$$

They are linearly independent  $\rightarrow$  They span  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$b) \quad S = \{(5, 6, 5), (2, 1, -5), (0, -4, 1)\}$$

$$a(5, 6, 5) + b(2, 1, -5) + c(0, -4, 1) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\begin{cases} 5a + 2b = 0 \\ 6a + b - 4c = 0 \Rightarrow a = b = c = 0 \\ 5a - 5b + c = 0 \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow$  They are linearly independent  $\rightarrow$  They span  $\mathbb{R}^3$

6.

$$a) \quad S = \{(-2, 1, 3), (2, 9, -3), (2, 3, -3)\}$$

$$\text{Let } A = (-2, 1, 3)$$

$B = (2, 9, -3)$  The vectors  $A, B, C$  are linearly dependent if and only if their determinant is zero  $|D| = 0$

$$|D| = \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 9 & -3 \\ 2 & 3 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = -2 \times (-27 + 9) - 1 \times (-6 + 6) + 3 \times (6 - 18) = 16 - 0 - 36 = 0$$

Since  $|D| = 0$ , the vectors  $A, B, C$  are linearly dependent

$$b) S = \{(-4, -3, 4), (1, -2, 3), (6, 0, 0)\}$$

Let  $A = (-4, -3, 4)$   
 $B = (1, -2, 3)$   
 $C = (6, 0, 0)$

$$|D| = \begin{vmatrix} -4 & -3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 6 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -6 \neq 0$$

Since  $|D| \neq 0 \Rightarrow A, B, C$  are linearly independent.

7. For which values of  $t$  is each set linearly independent?

$$S = \{(t, 1, 1), (1, t, 1), (1, 1, t)\}$$

Let  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ t \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

$$|D| = \begin{vmatrix} t & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & t & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & t \end{vmatrix} = t(t^2 - 1) - 1(t - 1) + 1(1 - t) \\ = t^3 - 3t + 2$$

The set linearly dependent when  $D=0$

$$\Rightarrow t^3 - 3t + 2 = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} t = 1 \\ t = -2 \end{cases}$$

The set linearly independent when  $t \neq -2$  and  $t \neq 1$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 & 4 & -5 \\ 3 & 6 & -6 & -4 \\ -2 & -4 & 4 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_1/2, R_2 - 3R_1 \\ R_3 - 5R_1 \end{array}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{23}{2} \\ -2 & -4 & 4 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 + 2R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{23}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 14 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_2 = \frac{-2R_2}{23} \\ R_3 - \frac{5R_2}{2} \end{array}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

we take  $x_2 = t, x_3 = s$

$$x_1 = 2s - 2t, x_4 = 0$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 2s - 2t \\ t \\ s \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}t + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}s$$

the nullity of the matrix is 2 A