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MA1101R Linear Algebra 1

Tutorial 7

1. Give an example of a family of subspaces  $V_1, \dots, V_n$  of  $\mathbf{R}^n$  such that  $\dim(V_i) = i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and

$$V_1 \subset V_2 \subset \dots \subset V_n.$$

Justify your answer.

(Textbook, p. 125, Problem 39)

2. Let

$$u_1 = (1, 0, 1, 1), u_2 = (-3, 3, 7, 1), u_3 = (-1, 3, 9, 3), u_4 = (-5, 3, 5, -1)$$

and let

$$S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4\}$$

and  $V = \text{span}(S)$ .

- (a) Find a non trivial solution to the equation

$$au_1 + bu_2 + cu_3 + du_4 = 0.$$

- (b) Express  $u_3$  and  $u_4$  separately as linear combinations of  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ .

- (c) Find a basis for  $V$  and determine the dimension of  $V$ .

- (d) Find a subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbf{R}^4$  such that  $\dim(W) = 3$  and  $\dim(W \cap V) = 2$ .  
Justify your answer.

(Textbook, p. 125, Problem 40)

3. Let  $S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  be a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^3$  and  $T = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  where

$$v_1 = u_1 + u_2 + u_3, v_2 = u_2 + u_3 \quad \text{and} \quad v_3 = u_2 - u_3.$$

- (a) Show that  $T$  is a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^3$ .

- (b) Find the transition matrix from  $S$  to  $T$ .

(Textbook, p. 126, Problem 49)

4. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & a_4 & a_5 \end{pmatrix}$  be a  $4 \times 5$  matrix such that the columns  $a_1, a_2, a_3$  are linearly independent while  $a_4 = a_1 - 2a_2 + a_3$  and  $a_5 = a_2 + a_3$ .
- (a) Determine the reduced row echelon form of  $A$ .
  - (b) Find a basis for the row space of  $A$  and a basis for the column space of  $A$ .

(Textbook, p. 143, Problem 10)

5. For each of the following cases, write down a matrix with the required property or explain why no such matrix exists.
- (a) The column space contains vectors  $(1, 0, 0)^T, (0, 0, 1)^T$  and the row space contains vectors  $(1, 1), (1, 2)$ .
  - (b) The column space is  $\mathbf{R}^4$  and the row space is  $\mathbf{R}^3$ .
  - (c) The column space = row space =  $\text{span}\{(1, 2, 3)\}$ .

(Textbook, p. 144, Problem 12)