

Problem 1. (1 pt each) Circle either True or False. No justification is needed.

- a) If the columns of a 5×4 matrix are linearly independent, then the columns of A span \mathbb{R}^5 .

True

4 vectors cannot span \mathbb{R}^5

False

- b) If \mathbf{b} is in the column space of A , then the matrix equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has at least one solution.

True

False

- c) If $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$ are vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 such that $\text{span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k) = \mathbb{R}^2$, then $k = 2$.

True

they may be
linearly dependent
but $k \geq 2$

False

- d) A linearly independent set in a subspace H is a basis for H .

True

it's a basis
if it's span is H

False

- e) If matrices A and B have the same reduced row echelon form then $\text{Row}(A) = \text{Row}(B)$.

True

False

- f) If H is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 , then there is a 3×4 matrix A such that $H = C(A)$.

True

 A 's columns are
the basis of H
which will include
at most 3 vectors,
then we can repeat vectors.

False

Problem 2. Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\ 1 & 5 & 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 6 & 6 & 6 & 6 \\ 1 & 7 & 8 & 10 & 12 \\ 1 & 6 & 6 & 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix}.$$

You may use the fact that

$$\text{rref}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -6 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

a) (3 pts) Find a basis for the nullspace of A .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } x_3 = t \quad x_5 = s \\ x_4 + 2x_5 = 0 \quad x_4 = -2s \\ x_2 + 2t - 2s = 0 \quad x_2 = 2s - 2t \\ x_1 - 6t + 6s = 0 \quad x_1 = 6t - 6s \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} s + \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} t$$

$$\text{Basis for } \text{NS}(A) = \{ (-6, 2, 0, -2, 1), (6, -2, 1, 0, 0) \}$$

b) (3 pts) Find a nonzero vector that is in the column space of A , but not one of the columns of A . Explain your answer.

The pivot columns are C_1 , C_2 and C_4 , and they form a basis for the column space of A .

$$\therefore C_1 + C_2 \in \text{CS}(A)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{CS}(A).$$

Problem 3. (4 pts) Suppose that A is a 5×8 matrix such that

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ -6 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

is a basis for the column space of A . Find p and q so that the following statement is true: The nullspace of A is a p -dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^q .

$$\text{rank}(A) = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{nullity}(A) &= \text{no. of columns} - \text{rank}(A) \\ &= 8 - 3 \\ &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore p = 5$$

$$q = 8$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{no. of entries in a row vector of } A \\ &= \text{no. of columns of } A \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4. In each of the following questions, find a set S of vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 that satisfy the given condition(s) or explain why there is no such set (three different problems).

- a) The set S is linearly independent, and contains exactly two different non-zero vectors.

$$S = \{ (1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0) \}$$

- b) The set S is linearly dependent, and contains exactly three different non-zero vectors.

$$S = \{ (1, 0, 0), (2, 0, 0), (3, 0, 0) \}$$

- c) The set S has five vectors and is linearly independent.

impossible, any set of $n > 3$ vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 is linearly dependent.