

**Problem 1, Part 1.** (6 points) Determine if each of the following sets is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . If so, find a basis and the dimension of the subspace.

(i)  $W = \{(a, b, c) : a + 2b - c = 3\}$ .

$$a = b = c = 0 \rightarrow 0 + 2(0) - 0 = 3 \quad \times \times$$

$$\therefore 0 \notin W$$

$\therefore W$  is NOT a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

(ii)  $W = \{(a - 2b, a + b, -2c) : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

$$(a - 2b, a + b, -2c)$$

$$= (a, a, 0) + (-2b, b, 0) + (0, 0, -2c)$$

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

$$= \text{span} \{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3 \} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$$

Since any span is a subspace  
we show that  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$  are independent

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow c_3 = 0, \quad c_1 = 2c_2 \Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = 0$$

$$\therefore B = \{ (1, 1, 0), (-2, 1, 0), (0, 0, -2) \}$$

basis for  $W$

$$\dim(W) = 3$$

**Problem 1, Part 2.** (4 points) Determine whether the set of vectors

$$S = \{\vec{v}_1, 1 + \vec{v}_2 - 3x^2, 2x + \vec{v}_3 x^2\}$$

is a basis for  $\mathcal{P}_{\leq 2}$ , the space of polynomials in  $x$  of degree  $\leq 2$ .

$$\dim(\mathcal{P}_{\leq 2}) = 3, |S| = 3 \checkmark$$

It remains to show that the vectors in  $S$  are linearly independent.

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 = 0 \\ -c_1 + c_2 + 2c_3 = 0 \\ -3c_2 + c_3 = 0 \end{cases} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

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

$$\text{from } R_3 \rightarrow \boxed{c_3 = 0} \rightarrow R_2 \rightarrow \boxed{c_2 = 0} \rightarrow R_1 \rightarrow \boxed{c_1 = 0}$$

trivial soln  $(0, 0, 0)$  only solution for  $c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + c_3 \vec{v}_3 = 0$

$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$  linearly independent

$\therefore S$  basis for  $\mathcal{P}_{\leq 2}$

**Problem 2, Part 1** (4 points) Let  $A$  be a  $5 \times 8$  matrix with at least two pivot columns.

What are the maximum and the minimum dimensions of  $\text{RowSpace}(A)$ ,  $\text{ColumnSpace}(A)$  and  $\text{NullSpace}(A)$ ? **Explain your answer.**

$$\text{Rank}(A) + \text{Nullity}(A) = 8$$

at least two pivot columns  $\rightarrow \text{Rank}(A) \geq 2$

$$\rightarrow \text{Nullity}(A) \leq 6$$

5 pivot columns at most  $\rightarrow \text{Rank}(A) \leq 5$

$$\rightarrow \text{Nullity}(A) \geq 3$$

$$\text{Rank}(A) = \dim(\text{RS}(A)) = \dim(\text{CS}(A))$$

$$\therefore 2 \leq \dim(\text{RS}(A)) \leq 5$$

$$2 \leq \dim(\text{CS}(A)) \leq 5$$

$$3 \leq \text{Nullity}(A) \leq 6$$

**Problem 2, Part 2** (6 points) Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 & -3 \\ 4 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Determine whether the vector  $\mathbf{v} = (-2, 1, 2)$  is in  $\text{NullSpace}(A)$ ,  $\text{RowSpace}(A)$ , or both.

$$\begin{array}{l} R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_2 \\ R_3 - 4R_1 \rightarrow R_3 \end{array} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{RSC}(A) = \text{span} \{ (1, 0, 1), (0, 2, -1) \}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} c_1 = -2 \\ c_2 = 1 \\ c_1 - c_2 = 2 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} c_1 = -2 \\ c_2 = 1 \\ -2 - 1 = 2 \quad \text{XX} \end{array}$$

no solution

$$\therefore \vec{v} \notin \text{RSC}(A)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -x_3 \\ 2x_2 = x_3 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -t \\ x_3 = t \in \mathbb{R} \\ \neq 0 \quad x_2 = \frac{1}{2}t \end{array}$$

$$\text{NS}(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$2(-1, 1/2, 1) = (-2, 1, 2) = \vec{v}$$

$$\therefore \vec{v} \in \text{NS}(A)$$

**Problem 3, Part 1.** (8 points) Let  $W$  be the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  spanned by the three vectors  $(1, 1, 0)$ ,  $(0, 1, 1)$ ,  $(3, 1, -2)$ .

(i) Find an orthogonal basis to  $W$  relative to the inner product function given by: For  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = 2u_1v_1 + u_2v_2 + 2u_3v_3.$$

(ii) Verify if  $\mathbf{v} = (1, -1, 2) \in W$ .

i) NOTE : 
$$\begin{aligned} & 3(1, 1, 0) - 2(0, 1, 1) \\ &= (3, 3, 0) - (0, 2, 2) \\ &= (3, 1, -2) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore S = \left\{ \underset{\vec{v}_1}{(1, 1, 0)}, \underset{\vec{v}_2}{(0, 1, 1)} \right\}$  basis for  $W$

we Apply Gram Schmidt:

$$\vec{w}_1 = (1, 1, 0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{w}_2 &= (0, 1, 1) - \frac{\langle (0, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0) \rangle}{\langle (1, 1, 0), (1, 1, 0) \rangle} (1, 1, 0) \\ &= (0, 1, 1) - \frac{1(1)}{2(1)(1) + 1(1)(1)} (1, 1, 0) = (0, 1, 1) - \frac{1}{3} (1, 1, 0) \end{aligned}$$

$$= (0, 1, 1) - \left( \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, 0 \right) = \left( -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1 \right) = \vec{w}_2$$

$$B_{\perp} = \left\{ (1, 1, 0), \left( -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1 \right) \right\}$$

ii)  $\vec{v} \in W$  if  $c_1(1, 1, 0) + c_2\left(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1\right) = (1, -1, 2)$   
for some  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{3} & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \frac{2}{3} & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \frac{R_3}{c_2} = 2$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{R_2}{c_1 + \frac{2}{3}(2)} = -1 \rightarrow c_1 = -\frac{7}{3}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1} \frac{-7}{5} - \frac{1}{3}(2) = -\frac{9}{5} \neq 1 \quad \times \times$$

$$\therefore \vec{v} \notin W$$



**Problem 3, Part 2.** (6 points) Let  $(V, +, \cdot, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be an inner product space. Prove **Cauchy-Schwarz inequality**. That is, for any two vectors  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V$ , we have

$$|\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|.$$

**Hint:** Show that, for any scalar  $\alpha$ ,

$$\|\mathbf{u} - \alpha \mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \alpha^2 \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 - 2\alpha \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle.$$

Next, substitute  $\alpha = \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2}$  into the inequality  $\|\mathbf{u} - \alpha \mathbf{v}\|^2 \geq 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{u} - \alpha \mathbf{v}\|^2 &= \langle \mathbf{u} - \alpha \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} - \alpha \mathbf{v} \rangle \\ &= \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle - \alpha \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle - \alpha \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} \rangle + \alpha^2 \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} \rangle \\ &= \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 - 2\alpha \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle + \alpha^2 \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 \\ \Rightarrow \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \alpha^2 \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 - 2\alpha \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle &\geq 0 \\ \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \frac{(\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle)^2}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^4} \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 - \frac{2\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle &\geq 0 \\ \Rightarrow \left( \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \frac{(\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle)^2}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} - \frac{2(\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle)^2}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} \right) \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 &\geq 0 \\ \Rightarrow \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 + (\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle)^2 &\geq 2(\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle)^2 \\ \Rightarrow (\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|)^2 &\geq (\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle)^2 \\ \Rightarrow |\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle| &\leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\| \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4. (4 points each) True or False (circle one and state your reason):

- (i) If  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are linearly independent, then  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}$  are linearly independent.

Reason:

True False

Assume  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  L.I

$$\Rightarrow c_1 \vec{u} + c_2 \vec{v} = 0 \rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \alpha_1 (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \alpha_2 (\vec{u} - \vec{v}) = \alpha_1 \vec{u} + \alpha_1 \vec{v} + \alpha_2 \vec{u} - \alpha_2 \vec{v} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \vec{u} + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2) \vec{v} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \alpha_1 = -\alpha_2 \text{ and } \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 \rightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha_1 = 0 \\ \alpha_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

- (ii) Let  $\mathcal{C}(-1, 1)$  be the space of continuous functions on  $(-1, 1)$ .

The map  $\langle, \rangle$  defined by: For  $f, g \in \mathcal{C}(-1, 1)$ ,

$$\langle f, g \rangle = f(0)g(0)$$

is an inner product function.

Reason:

True False

$$\langle f, f \rangle = 0 \text{ if } f = 0$$

$$\text{let } f = x^2$$

$$\rightarrow \langle x^2, x^2 \rangle = 0(0) = 0$$

$$\text{but } f \neq 0$$