

Exercise 3: $(5, 7, 8)$, $(0, 12, 6)$, $(1, 6, 9)$

5. Let $A = \{(1+t, 1+2t, 1+3t) \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ be a subset of \mathbb{R}^3 .

(a) Describe A geometrically.

(b) Show that $A = \{(x, y, z) \mid x+y-z=1 \text{ and } x-2y+z=0\}$.

(c) Write down a matrix equation $Mx = b$ where M is a 3×3 matrix and b is a 3×1 matrix such that its solution set is A .

a) A line joining the points $(1, 1, 1)$ and $(2, 3, 4)$

b) In order to find an implicit form, we need to find two non-parallel planes $ax+by+cz=d$ containing the line. However, in this case, since $x+y-z=1$ and $x-2y+z=0$ are two non-parallel lines, it suffices to show that it lies on both planes.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{This is true because } (1+t) + (1+2t) - (1+3t) &= 1 \\ (1+t) - 2(1+2t) + (1+3t) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

c) Using $x+y-z=1$, $x-2y+z=0$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The third equation is not given, hence set to 0.

7. Let P represent a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 with equation $x-y+z=1$ and A, B, C represent three different lines given by the following set notation:

$$A = \{(a, a, 1) \mid a \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad B = \{(b, 0, 0) \mid b \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad C = \{(c, 0, -c) \mid c \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

(a) Express the plane P in explicit set notation.

$x-y+z=1$, its general solution is in the explicit form.

$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$ Since, 2nd and 3rd column are non-pivot column, set them as arbitrary parameters $y=s, z=t$

$$x - s + t = 1$$

$$x = 1 + s - t, \quad y = s, \quad z = t \quad \text{where } s, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

in set notation: $\{(1+s-t, s, t) \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R}\}$

(b) Does any of the three lines above lie completely on the plane P ? Briefly explain your answer.

$$A = \{(a, a, 1) \mid a \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad B = \{(b, 0, 0) \mid b \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad C = \{(c, 0, -c) \mid c \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

P represent a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 with equation $x-y+z=1$:

A lies on P as $a-a+1=1$

B does not lie on P as $b-0+0 \neq 1$ for some b

C does not lie on P as $c-0-c \neq 1$

(c) Find all the points of intersection of the line B with the plane P .

$$A = \{(a, a, 1) \mid a \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad B = \{(b, 0, 0) \mid b \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad C = \{(c, 0, -c) \mid c \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

P represent a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 with equation $x - y + z = 1$:

B only intersects P when $b=0$ i.e. point $(1, 0, 0)$

(d) Find the equation of another plane that is parallel to (but not overlapping) the plane P , and contains exactly one of the three lines above.

From $x - y + z = 1$, the normal vector: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$(x-c) - (y-0) + (z+c) = 0$$

$$x - c - y + z + c = 0$$

$$x - y + z = 0 \quad \text{contains } C \text{ but not } A \text{ and } B$$

Alternative solution:

$$x - y + z = e, \quad C \subseteq \text{this plane}$$

$$\text{Fix } (c, 0, -c) \in C$$

$$c - 0 + (-c) = e$$

$$e = 0$$

(e) Can you find a nonzero linear system whose solution set contains all the three lines? Justify your answer.

No, the solution set of a constant nonzero linear system in three variables represents a point, a line or a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 .

Suppose we have a nonzero linear system whose solution set contains both B and C . Then, the solution set must be a plane. However, the plane containing both B and C is the xz plane which does not contain A . So the solution set cannot contain A .

Have a look at Discussion 1.4.11

8. Let $u_1 = (2, 1, 0, 3)$, $u_2 = (3, -1, 5, 2)$, and $u_3 = (-1, 0, 2, 1)$. Which of the following vectors are linear combinations of u_1, u_2, u_3 ?

(a) $(2, 3, -7, 3)$, (b) $(0, 0, 0, 0)$, (c) $(1, 1, 1, 1)$, (d) $(-4, 6, -13, 4)$.

$$a(2, 1, 0, 3) + b(3, -1, 5, 2) + c(-1, 0, 2, 1)$$

$$= (2a + 3b - c, a - b, 5b + 2c, 3a + 2b + c)$$

$$a) \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 & 2 & -7 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{Gaussian elimination}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{consistent}$$

b and d are consistent using the same method but not c

Hence, $(2, 3, -7, 3)$, $(0, 0, 0, 0)$, $(-4, 6, -13, 4)$ are vectors in $\text{Span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$

while $(1, 1, 1, 1)$ is not

10. Let $V = \{(x, y, z) \mid x - y - z = 0\}$ be a subset of \mathbb{R}^3 .

(a) Let $S = \{(1, 1, 0), (5, 2, 3)\}$. Show that $\text{span}(S) = V$.

(b) Let $S' = \{(1, 1, 0), (5, 2, 3), (0, 0, 1)\}$. Show that $\text{span}(S') = \mathbb{R}^3$.

a) To show $\text{span}(V) = V$, $\text{span}(V) \subseteq V$ and $\text{span}(V) \supseteq V$

Since $(1, 1, 0)$ and $(5, 2, 3)$ satisfy the equation $x - y - z = 0$
 $(1, 1, 0), (5, 2, 3) \in V$ and hence $\text{span}(S) \subseteq V$

The explicit form of V is $x = s + t$, $y = s$, $z = t$ where $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$

Let $(s+t, s, t)$ be any vector in V . Considering the following equation:

$$a(1, 1, 0) + b(5, 2, 3) = (s+t, s, t) \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} a + 5b = s+t \\ a + 2b = s \\ 3b = t \end{cases}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 5 & s+t \\ 1 & 2 & s \\ 0 & 3 & t \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow[\text{elimination}]{\text{Gaussian}} \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 5 & s+t \\ 0 & 3 & t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

The system is consistent for all $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$. So $V \subseteq \text{span}(S)$

Therefore, $\text{span}(S) = V$

$$\text{b) } \left(\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow[\text{elimination}]{\text{Gaussian}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

The system is consistent. $V \subseteq \text{span}(S')$

$V \supseteq \text{span}(S')$ is done as a) linearly independent

12. Let $u_1 = (2, 0, 2, -4)$, $u_2 = (1, 0, 2, 5)$, $u_3 = (0, 3, 6, 9)$, $u_4 = (1, 1, 2, -1)$, $v_1 = (-1, 2, 1, 0)$, $v_2 = (3, 1, 4, 0)$, $v_3 = (0, 1, 1, 3)$, $v_4 = (-4, 3, -1, 6)$. Determine if the following are true.

(a) $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4\} \subseteq \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$.

(b) $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\} \subseteq \text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4\}$.

(c) $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4\} = \mathbb{R}^4$.

(d) $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\} = \mathbb{R}^4$.

$$\text{a) } \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} -1 & 3 & 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 6 & 5 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow[\text{elimination}]{\text{Gaussian}} \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} -1 & 3 & 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 7 & 1 & -5 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 6 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

The system is inconsistent. Since $u_2 \notin \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$, $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4\} \not\subseteq \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$

d) As shown in a), the system is inconsistent

Hence $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\} \neq \mathbb{R}^4$

16. Determine which of the following are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^4 . Justify your answers.

(a) $\{(w, x, y, z) \mid w + x = y + z\}$.

(b) $\{(w, x, y, z) \mid wx = yz\}$.

(c) $\{(w, x, y, z) \mid w + x + y = z^2\}$.

(d) $\{(w, x, y, z) \mid w = 0 \text{ and } y = 0\}$.

(e) $\{(w, x, y, z) \mid w = 0 \text{ or } y = 0\}$.

(f) $\{(w, x, y, z) \mid w = 1 \text{ and } y = 0\}$.

(g) $\{(w, x, y, z) \mid w + z = 0 \text{ and } x + y - 4z = 0 \text{ and } 4w + y - z = 0\}$.

(h) $\{(w, x, y, z) \mid w + z = 0 \text{ or } x + y - 4z = 0 \text{ or } 4w + y - z = 0\}$.

b) No. $(1, 0, 0, 1)$ and $(0, 2, 0, 1)$ belong to the set
but $(1, 0, 0, 1) + (0, 2, 0, 1) = (1, 2, 0, 2)$ does not
 $w/x = y/z$ is not
a linear equation.
This gives a hint.

e) No. $(1, 0, 0, 0)$ and $(0, 0, 1, 0)$ belong to the
set but $(1, 0, 0, 0) + (0, 0, 1, 0) = (1, 0, 1, 0)$ does not

g) Yes. It is a solution set of a homogeneous linear system

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \text{ is consistent.}$$