

PSET 6

3.3 # 2d, 3d, 7ae

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2 Find the dimension of and a basis for the solution set.

d)  $\begin{cases} 2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$
$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 & 0 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

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 $x_3 = t$

Then  $x_2 - t = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = t$ ,

$x_1 = 0$ , so the solution set is  $t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

so a basis is  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

3. Find all solns to the following systems.

d)  $2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 5$

$$x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 1$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 = 4$$

By inspection,  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  is a solution to this system

since  $2(2) + 3 - 2 = 5$ ,  $2 - 3 + 2 = 1$ ,  $2 + 2(3) - 2(2) = 4$ .

This is a particular solution, and the above exercise

(2d) has the solution to the associated homogeneous equation,

$t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . By (Thm 3.9), the general solution is

the set sum of these solutions, i.e.,  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

7 Determine which of the following systems of lin. eqns. has a soln.

$$\text{a) } \begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 + 2x_4 = 2 \\ x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 + 2x_4 = 4 \end{cases} \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 4 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

By (Thm ), this situation ...

$$\text{e) } \begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 = 3 \\ x_1 - 4x_2 + 7x_3 = 4 \end{cases} \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -4 & 7 & 4 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -6 & 8 & 3 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & 4 & \frac{3}{2} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right)$$

By the same reasoning as in exercise (7a) above,  
this system is inconsistent (no solutions).

9. Prove that the system of linear equations  $Ax=b$  has a solution IFF  $b \in R(L_A)$ .

CLAIM: IF  $Ax=b$  has a solution, then  $b \in R(L_A)$ .

PF: IF  $Ax=b$  has a solution,  $\exists x \in F^n$  s.t.  $L_A(x) = b$ .  
 Thus  $b \in R(L_A)$ .

CLAIM: IF  $b \in R(L_A)$ , then  $Ax=b$  is consistent.

PF:  $b \in R(L_A) = Col(A)$ . Then  $b$  can be expressed as a linear combination of columns in  $A$ . Then  $Col(A|b) = Col(A \cup \{b\}) = Col(A)$ , so  $\text{rank}(A|b) = \dim(Col(A|b)) = \dim(Col(A)) = \text{rank}(A)$ .  
 By (THM 3.11),  $Ax=b$  is consistent.

10. Prove or give a counterexample to the following statement: If the coefficient matrix of a system of  $m$  linear equations in  $n$  unknowns has rank  $m$ , then the system has a solution.

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This is true. PF: Let  $Ax=b$  have a solution,  $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ ,  $\text{rank}(A) = m$ .  $\text{Rank}(A|b) \geq m$ , since it is adding a column to the column space (which can't reduce rank).  $\text{Rank}(A|b) \leq m$ , since rank is upper bounded by  $\min(m, n)$ , and  $(A|b)$  has  $m$  rows. Thus  $\text{Rank}(A|b) = m = \text{Rank}(A)$ , thus by (THM 3.11)  $Ax=b$  is consistent.

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2. Use Gaussian elimination to solve.

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{d)} \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3 + 3x_4 &= -7 \\ 2x_1 - x_2 + 6x_3 + 6x_4 &= -2 \\ -2x_1 + x_2 - 4x_3 - 3x_4 &= 0 \\ 3x_1 - 2x_2 + 9x_3 + 10x_4 &= -5 \end{aligned} \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & -2 & 3 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 10 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & -1 & -8 & 3 & -14 \\ 0 & 1 & 15 & 1 & 16 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & -2 & 3 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 10 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 8 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 10 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-13}{2} & 9 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-\frac{13}{2}x_4 = 9 \Rightarrow x_4 = -\frac{9 \cdot 2}{13} = -\frac{18}{13}$$

$$2x_3 + 3\left(-\frac{18}{13}\right) = -2 \Rightarrow x_3 = \frac{-2 + 3\left(\frac{18}{13}\right)}{2} = -1 + \frac{27}{13} = \frac{14}{13}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 + 10\left(\frac{14}{13}\right) &= 12 \Rightarrow x_2 = 12 - \frac{140}{13} = \frac{156}{13} - \frac{140}{13} = \frac{16}{13} \\ x_1 + 8\left(\frac{14}{13}\right) + 3\left(-\frac{18}{13}\right) &= 5 \Rightarrow x_1 = 5 + \frac{56}{13} - \frac{112}{13} \\ &= \frac{65}{13} + \frac{54}{13} - \frac{112}{13} \\ &= \frac{119}{13} - \frac{112}{13} = \frac{7}{13} \end{aligned}$$

Thus the solution is

$$\frac{1}{13} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 16 \\ 14 \\ -18 \end{pmatrix}$$

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2g)  $\begin{aligned} 2x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3 + 6x_4 - 2x_5 &= 1 \\ x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + 2x_4 - x_5 &= 2 \\ 4x_1 - 4x_2 + 5x_3 + 7x_4 - x_5 &= 6 \end{aligned}$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 2 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 & -2 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 9 & -9 \end{array} \right)$$

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 $x_2 = s \quad x_5 = t$

$$-x_4 + 9t = -9 \Rightarrow x_4 = 9t + 9$$

$$x_3 - (t+9) + 3t = -2 \Rightarrow x_3 = -2 - 3t + (t+9) = 7 + 6t$$

$$x_1 - s + (7+6t) + 2(9t+9) - t = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 2 + s + t - (7+6t) - 2(9t+9)$$

$$= -23 + s - 23t$$

So the solution is

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} -23 \\ 0 \\ 7 \\ 9 \\ 0 \end{array} \right) + s \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array} \right) + t \left( \begin{array}{c} -23 \\ 0 \\ 6 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{array} \right)$$

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7 Find a subset of  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 12 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 37 \\ -17 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

that is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

This can be solved with an application of (HM 3.16), i.e.,  
the columns in the RREF of the matrix of vectors that  
equal  $e_j$  are the corresponding columns to the basis of the  
column space of the original matrix ( $\mathbb{F}^3$ ).

$$\begin{array}{c} \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} 2 & 1 & -8 & 1 & -3 \\ -3 & 4 & 12 & 37 & -5 \\ 1 & -2 & -4 & -17 & 8 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & -2 & -4 & -17 & 8 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 35 & -19 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & -14 & 19 \end{array} \right) \\ \xrightarrow{\quad} \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & -2 & -4 & -17 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 7 & -\frac{19}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{19+19}{2} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & -2 & -4 & -17 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 7 & -\frac{19}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\ \xrightarrow{\quad} \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & -2 & -4 & -17 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

using (HM 3.16),  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is lin. ind.

and thus is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

10 Let  $V = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) \in \mathbb{R}^5 : x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 - x_4 + 2x_5 = 0\}$

a) Show that  $S = \{(0, 1, 1, 1, 0)\}$  is a lin. ind. subset of  $V$ .

PF: since  $S$  is a singleton nonzero vector in  $V$ , it is linearly independent.

b) Extend  $S$  to a basis for  $V$ .

By inspection,  $\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\} \in V$ , and are linearly ind.

Using the same method as in (exercise 9):

$$\begin{array}{c} \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & 1 & 2 & -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\ \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

Thus,  $\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$  is l.n. ind. by (FM 3.16d).

Since  $V$  is constrained by a linear system of 1 equation in 5 variables, there are four free variables  $\Rightarrow \dim(V) = 4$ .

Since cardinality of the set above has cardinality 4, it is a basis for  $V$ .

14. If  $(A|b)$  is in RREF, prove that  $A$  is also in RREF.

Your argument can  
be made clearer by  
applying the same  
reasoning that you used  
for part (a).

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To prove this, we need to show the three conditions in the definition of RREF are true for  $A$ . Let  $(A|b) \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ ,  $A \in M_{m \times (n-1)}(F)$

- a) CLAIM: Any row containing a nonzero vector precedes any all-zero row.

PF: Assume that there is a all-zero row in  $A$ . Then the

first  $(n-1)$  elements of the corresponding row in  $(A|b)$  must also be  $0$ , and the last element may be either zero or nonzero. If it is zero, then by (c) of (def. RREF for  $A|b$ ), this row is below any nonzero row in  $(A|b)$  (and thus below any nonzero row in  $A$ ). If the last element is nonzero, then it is a pivot element and thus must be below any row where the pivot occurs further left by (def. RREF(c)); thus it occurs below any nonzero row of  $A$ .

- b) CLAIM: The first nonzero entry in each row is the only nonzero entry in its columns.

PF: The first nonzero entry for a row in  $A$  is also the first nonzero entry for its row in  $(A|b)$ . By (def RREF(b)), this pivot element in  $(A|b)$  is the only element of its column, which is also the column for the pivot element in  $A$ .

- c) CLAIM: The first nonzero entry in each row is 1 and it occurs in a column to the right of the first nonzero entry in the preceding row.

PF: For any pivot element in  $A$ , it is also the pivot element of  $(A|b)$ , and must be 1 and below and to the right of the pivot element in the preceding row, which is also the pivot element in the preceding row of  $A$ .

15. Prove that the RREF of a matrix is unique.

Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ . Let  $B$  be the RREF of  $A$ . Then, if  $n > 1$ , then  $B = (B' | d)$ ,  $B \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ ,  $d \in M_{m \times 1}(F)$ , and by (exercise 14),  $B$  is in RREF. By induction, the set of submatrices  $S = \{x \in M_{m \times i}(F) : x \text{ contains the first } i \text{ columns of } B\}$  are also in RREF. This proof will use induction, beginning on  $S_1$  (the first column of  $S$ ) and adding one column at a time.

Inductive base case: The RREF  $S_1$  is uniquely defined by  $A$ .

PF:  $S_1$  is row-equivalent to  $A_1$ . (first column of  $A$ ) If  $A_1 = 0 \in F^m$ , then RREF

of  $A_1 = S_1 = 0 \in F^m$ . If not, since  $S_1$  is in RREF, the only other valid  $M_{m \times 1}(F)$  RREF is  $e_1$ , thus  $S_1$  must be  $e_1$ .

Thus  $S_1$  is uniquely defined by  $A_1$ .

Inductive hypothesis: If  $S_i$  is uniquely defined by  $A$ , then so is  $S_{i+1}$ .

PF:  $S_{i+1} = (S_i | b)$ ,  $b = B_{i+1} \in F^m$  ( $i+1^{\text{th}}$  column of  $B$ ).

If  $\text{rank}(S_{i+1}) = \text{rank}(S_i) + 1 = k$ , then  $e_{i+1}$  cannot exist as a column in  $S_i$ . However, by (Thm 3.16 (b)),  $e_{i+1}$  must exist as a column in  $S_{i+1}$  if it is an RREF with rank  $i+1$ , so  $S_{i+1}$  must be  $i+1$ .

Else,  $\text{rank}(S_{i+1}) = \text{rank}(S_i) = k$  (since  $\text{rank}(S_{i+1}) \geq \text{rank}(S_i)$ ), and  $b \in R(S_i)$ . Then  $b$  is expressible as a linear combination over  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k\}$ , which are vectors in  $S_i$  by (Thm 3.16b). By (Thm 3.16d), the coefficients to this linear combination are the same as the coefficients of the linear combination over the corresponding columns of  $A$  (which are a basis) yielding  $A_{i+1}$ . Since  $A_{i+1}$  is determined by a unique linear combination over a basis, the coefficients to the linear combinations determining  $A_{i+1}$  and  $b$  are uniquely determined by  $A$ , thus  $b$  is unique. Since  $S_i, b$  uniquely determined by  $A$ ,  $S_{i+1}$  is uniquely determined by  $A$ .