

# MATH 311, HW 5

Due 11:00pm on Thursday March 2, 2023

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**Problem 1.** [20 pts] In the following we consider vectors  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Determine (with justification) whether the following sets are subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

1. (10pts)  $V_1 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x_1 = x_2 = x_3\}$

Is it a subspace?

Yes  No

Check C1: If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in V_1$ . Multiply all by  $\alpha$  results in  $\alpha x_1 = \alpha x_2 = \alpha x_3$ . So, vector  $\alpha \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha x_2 \\ \alpha x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in V_1$ . C1 holds

Explanation: For every  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in V_1$ , all holds because  $x_1 = x_2 = x_3$  and  $\alpha x_1 = \alpha x_2 = \alpha x_3$

Check C2: If  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} \in V_1$ ,  $x_1 = x_2 = x_3$  and  $y_1 = y_2 = y_3$ .

Add them together:  $x_1 + y_1 = x_2 + y_2 = x_3 + y_3$ . So,  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \\ x_3 + y_3 \end{pmatrix} \in V_1$

C2 HOLDS ✓

Because  $x_1 + y_1 = x_2 + y_2 = x_3 + y_3 \in V_1$

So C2 is true  
and it is a subspace.

2. (10pts)  $V_2 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x_1 + x_3 = 1\}$

Is it a subspace?

Yes  No

Check C1: If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in V_2$ . Multiply by  $\alpha$ :  $\alpha x_1 + \alpha x_3 = \alpha 1$   
So does,  $\alpha \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

Plug in numbers 3,

$$\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \times$$

Explanation: It is false: for every  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in V_2$   
does not equal  $\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  in  $V_2$

C1 does NOT pass

**Problem 2.** [15 pts] Recall that the space of  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  is a vector space with the usual addition and scalar multiplication. Fix some  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ . Determine (with justification) whether the following subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  are subspaces:

1. (5pts)  $S_1 = \{M \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \mid MA = AM\}$ . (The set of matrices that commute with  $A$ )

Is it a subspace?

Yes  No

$$\underline{C1} \quad \begin{array}{l} M \in S \\ A \in S \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \end{array} \longrightarrow \alpha MA \stackrel{?}{\in} S$$

$$(\alpha M)A = M(\alpha A) = \alpha MA \quad \checkmark$$

$$(\alpha A)M = A(\alpha M) = \alpha AM$$

$$A \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in S, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$M \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \in S \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha MA = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} a+2c & b+2d \\ 3a+4c & 3b+4d \end{pmatrix} \neq \alpha AM = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} a+3b & 2a+4b \\ c+3a & 2c+4d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha MA = \alpha AM \quad \text{DOES NOT HOLD C1}$$

Why?

For plugging in numbers,  
it does not give the same result

2. (5pts)  $S_2 = \{M \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \mid MA = O\}$ . (The set of matrices that when multiplying with  $A$  on the right yield the zero matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ )

Is it a subspace?

Yes  No

$$\underline{C1} \quad \begin{array}{l} M = O \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \end{array} \longrightarrow \alpha O \stackrel{?}{\in} S$$

$$M(\alpha O) \stackrel{?}{=} O$$

$$M(\alpha O) = \alpha MO = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\underline{C2} \quad \begin{array}{l} M, A \in S \rightarrow M+N \stackrel{?}{\in} S \\ MA = O \end{array}$$

$$A(M+N) = O$$

$$NA = O$$

$$A(M+N) = AM + AN = O + O = O \quad \checkmark$$

3. (5pts)  $S_3 = \{M \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} | MA \neq AM\}$ . (The set of matrices that do not commute with  $A$ )

Is it a subspace?  
Yes  No

C1

$$M \in S \\ A \in S \\ \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \alpha MA \stackrel{?}{\in} S$$

$$(\alpha M)A = M(\alpha A) = \alpha MA \quad \checkmark \\ (\alpha A)M = A(\alpha M) = \alpha AM$$

$$A \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in S, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$M \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \in S \\ \text{TEST WITH NUMBERS} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \alpha MA = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} a+2c & b+2d \\ 3a+4c & 3b+4d \end{pmatrix} \quad \alpha AM = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} a+3b & 2a+4b \\ c+3d & 2c+4d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha MA \neq \alpha AM \xrightarrow{\text{DOES HOLD C1}}$$

$$\underline{C2} \quad M, A \in S \rightarrow M+N \stackrel{?}{\in} S \\ MA = AM \\ NA = AN \\ A(M+N) = A(N+M)$$

$$A(M+N) = AM + AN \neq AN + AM = A(N+M) \quad \checkmark$$

C2 DOES NOT HOLD

Because, it does equal  
to each other but they  
should not

**Problem 3.** [15pts] For each of the following, find the transition matrix corresponding to the change of basis from the standard basis  $E = \{e_1, e_2\}$  to  $\{u_1, u_2\}$ : Only take the inverse

1. (5pts)  $u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

Answer:	$\begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 2/3 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix}$
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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ if } A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \text{ then, } \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \\ = \frac{1}{1(-1)-2(1)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \frac{1}{-1-2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \frac{1}{-3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 2/3 & -1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. (5pts)  $u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

Answer:	$\begin{bmatrix} -3/2 & 1 \\ 7/2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$
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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 7 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ if } A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \text{ then, } \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \\ = \frac{1}{4(3)-2(7)} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -7 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \\ = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -7 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3/2 & 1 \\ 7/2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. (5pts)  $u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Answer:	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ if } A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \text{ then, } \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \\ = \frac{1}{0(0)-1(1)} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ = -1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Problem 4.** [40pts] Consider the vector space  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . In this vector space consider the vectors

$$u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

1. (10pts) Find the transition matrix corresponding to the change of basis from the standard basis  $E = \{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  to the basis  $U = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ .

Ans:	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$
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$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_1 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 3 - 3(1) = 0 \\ 2 - 3(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 - 3(\frac{1}{4}) = \frac{1}{4} \\ \hline 0 - 3(\frac{1}{4}) = -\frac{3}{4} \\ 1 - 3(0) = 1 \\ 0 - 3(0) = 0 \end{array} \right.$

$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2 - 2(1) = 0 \\ 1 - 2(\frac{1}{2}) = 0 \\ \hline 1 - 2(\frac{1}{4}) = \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 - 2(\frac{1}{4}) = -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 - 2(0) = 0 \\ 1 - 2(0) = 1 \end{array} \right.$

**① Find  $U^{-1}$**

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

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 / 4$

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

$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$

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

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - \frac{1}{2}R_2$

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

$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \cdot 2$

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

$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - \frac{1}{2}R_3$

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

2. (5pts) Find the coordinates of  $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  with respect to the ordered basis  $U = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ :

$$[v_1]_U = \boxed{\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1(2) + -1(3) + 0(0) \\ 2 + -3 + 0 = -1 \\ -1(2) + 2(3) + -1(2) \\ -2 + 6 - 2 = 2 \\ -1(2) + 0(3) + 2(2) \\ -2 + 0 + 4 = 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. (5pts) Find the coordinates of  $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  with respect to the ordered basis  $U = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ :

$$[v_2]_U = \boxed{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1(2) + -1(1) + 0(1) \\ 2 + -1 + 0 = 1 \\ -1(2) + 2(1) + -1(1) \\ -2 + 2 - 1 = -1 \\ -1(2) + 0(1) + 2(1) \\ -2 + 2 = 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

4. (10pts) Consider the vectors  $w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $w_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find the transition matrix from  $W = \{w_1, w_2, w_3\}$  to  $U = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ .

$$\text{Ans: } \boxed{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

$$U^{-1} \cdot W$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\omega \rightarrow \mu$$

$$(\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3)^T (\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1(2) + -1(1) + 0(0) & 1(1) + -1(1) + 0(0) & 1(7) + -1(6) + 0(4) \\ -1(2) + 2(1) + -1(0) & -1(1) + 2(1) + -1(0) & -1(7) + 2(6) + -1(4) \\ -1(2) + 0(1) + 2(0) & -1(1) + 0(1) + 2(0) & -1(7) + 0(6) + 2(4) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \boxed{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

5. (10pts) If  $v = -4w_1 + 3w_2 + 2w_3$ , determine the coordinates of  $v$  with respect to  $U = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ . In other words, find  $[v]_U$ .

$$[v]_U = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(u^{-1}\omega)[v]_U$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{array}{l} 1(-4) + 0(3) + 1(2) = -2 \\ -4 + 2 = -2 \\ 0(-4) + 1(3) + 1(2) = 5 \\ 3 + 2 = 5 \\ -2(-4) + -1(3) + 1(2) = 7 \\ 8 + -3 + 2 = 7 \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Problem 5.** [10 pts] Find the dimension of the following vector space:

$$\text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -1 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

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$$\text{Answer: } \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\text{span} \left( \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & -5 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -4 & 4 & -8 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 4R_1 \\ -4 + 4(1) = 0 \\ 4 + 4(1) = 8 \\ -8 + 4(-5) = -28 \end{array}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & -4 & 14 \\ 0 & 8 & -28 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 2R_2 \\ 8 + 2(-4) = 0 \\ -28 + 2(14) = 0 \end{array}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & -4 & 14 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 3R_1 \\ 3 - 3(1) = 0 \\ -1 - 3(1) = -4 \\ -1 - 3(-5) = 14 \end{array}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 14 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow \frac{R_2}{14}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$