

Elementary Linear Algebra - MATH 2250 - Exam 2

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1. Which of the following (if any) are subspaces. For any that are **not** subspaces give an example of how they violate a property of subspaces.

(a) Given a 3×5 matrix with full row rank, the set of all solutions to $A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

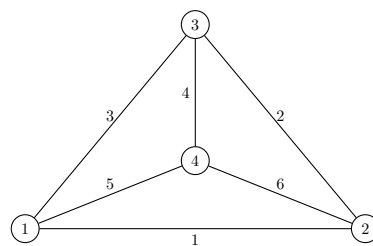
(b) All 3×5 matrices with $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ in their column space.

(c) All 5×3 matrices with $(2, 1, 3)$ in their column space.

(d) All vectors \mathbf{x} with $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| = \|\mathbf{y}\|$, for some given fixed vector $\mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{0}$.

2. (a) Find the matrix P that projects every vector \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^3 onto the line in the direction of $(1, 2, 3)$.
(b) Describe the Four fundamental subspaces of P by providing a basis for each of them.

3. Write down the 6×4 incidence matrix A of this graph. What is the dimension of the column space $C(A)$? Describe the null space $N(A)$.



4. (a) Consider the following data:

Year	US Population (million)
1900	70
1920	100
1940	130
1980	230

Suppose the population growth is linear, and you want to fit the best line $y = Cx + D$ to these values, where $x = 0$ represents the year 1900. What is the matrix A in the system $A \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{b}$? Find the best \hat{C} , \hat{D} , and the heights p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4 of that line $y = \hat{C}x + \hat{D}$ at years 1900, 1920, 1940, and 1980. What is the error vector \mathbf{e} ? Show by numbers that \mathbf{e} is perpendicular to $C(A)$.

- (b) What is your estimate for the population in year 1960? 2000? 2020? 3000?

5. Start with the two vectors (columns of A):

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) With $\mathbf{q}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1$ find an orthonormal basis $\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2$ for the space spanned by \mathbf{a}_1 and \mathbf{a}_2 (column space of A).
- (b) What shape is the matrix R in $A = QR$ and why is $R = Q^T A$ (Here Q has columns $\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2$)? Compute R .
- (c) Find the projection matrices P_A and P_Q onto the column spaces of A and Q .