# Homework 3 Partial Solutions

## Section 3.1

8. This questions is about arbitrary vectors, these could be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  but it could also be the space of matrices  $\mathbb{R}^{n\times m}$ , could be the space of continuous functions on the unit interval into  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $C([0,1],\mathbb{R})$ , etc. So you must argue generally using axioms of vector spaces.

$$x + y = x + z$$

$$(-x) + (x + y) = (-x) + (x + z)$$
(A4)

$$(-x+x) + y = (-x+x) + z$$
 (A2)

$$0 + y = 0 + z \tag{A4}$$

$$y = z \tag{A3}$$

13. There are various ways to see that this is not a vector space. One way is to notice that there is no 0 element!

What element a of  $\mathbb{R}$  would satisfy  $\max(a, r) = r$  for all  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ ? For  $r \geq 0$ , a = 0 would suffice, but what would work for r < 0? If  $a \oplus r = r$  for r < 0, then a < r. But then a < r for all  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ !

14. Let  $V = \mathbb{Z}$  and define scalar multiplication by

$$\alpha \cdot_V n = |\alpha| \cdot n \tag{1}$$

$$n +_V m = n + m \tag{2}$$

Is this a vector space?

All the additive axioms clearly hold since these are true of integer arithmetic.

The problem here is  $\alpha \cdot_V (\beta \cdot_V n) = (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot_V n$ . For example:

$$.5 \cdot_V (2 \cdot_V n) = 0 \cdot (2 \cdot n) = 0$$

while

$$(.5 \cdot 2) \cdot_V n = 1 \cdot_V n = 1 \cdot n = n$$

## Section 3.2

2.

(a) This is not a subspace because  $(0,0)^T \notin S$ .

(b) This is a subspace.

• If  $(a, b, c) \in S$ , then  $\alpha(a, b, c)^T \in S$ , since, a = b = c implies  $\alpha a = \alpha b = \alpha c$ .

• If  $(a, b, c)^T$ ,  $(A, B, C)^T \in S$ , then a + A = b + B = c + C, so  $(a, b, c)^T + (A, B, C)^T \in S$ .

Thus S is closed under scalar multiplication and addition and is a subspace.

(c) This is a subspace. Do just like (b), but use the property  $x_1 = x_2 + x_3$ . Another way is to notice that S = NS(A) where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . (We could have done this with (b) as well.)

(d) This is not a subspace  $(1,2,1)^T$  and  $(4,1,1)^T$  are in S, but the sum  $(5,3,2)^T \notin S$ 

4.

(a)  $\operatorname{rref}(A) = I_2 \text{ so } \operatorname{NS}(A) = \operatorname{span}\{\mathbf{0}\}.$ 

**(b)**  $\operatorname{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  so  $Ax = \mathbf{0}$  is equivalent to

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - 3x_3 = 0$$
$$x_4 = 0$$

Let  $x_2 = s$  and  $x_3 = t$ , then we have:

$$x_1 = -2s + 3t$$
$$x_2 = s$$

$$x_3 = t$$

$$x_4 = 0$$

which is the same as

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So  $NS(A) = span\{(-1, 1, 0, 0)^T, (3, 0, 1, 0)^T\}.$ 

(c)  $\operatorname{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  so this has  $x_3$  as a free variable. Let  $x_3 = t$ , then

$$x_1 = t$$

$$x_2 = t$$

is the resulting system so an element of NS(A) is of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

so  $NS(A) = span\{(1,1,1)^T\}.$ 

(d) Just as an example of using MATLAB

 $\operatorname{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  so  $x_2$  and  $x_4$  are the non-pivot, hence free variables. Let  $x_2 = s$  and  $x_4 = t$ , then the system becomes

$$x_1 = -s - 5t$$
$$x_3 = -3t$$

So we have  $x \in NS(A)$  iff

$$\boldsymbol{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -s - 5t \\ s \\ -3t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and thus

$$NS(A) = \operatorname{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1\\1\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -5\\0\\-3\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

- **8.** *A* is fixed.
  - $0A = A0 \text{ so } 0 \in S$
  - Let  $B, C \in S$ , then BA = AB and CA = AC so (B + C)A = BA + CA = AB + AC = A(B + C) and hence  $B + C \in S$ .
  - Let  $B \in S$ , then  $(\alpha B)A = \alpha(BA) = \alpha(AB) = A(\alpha B)$ , so  $\alpha B \in S$ .
- **11.** Just put the vectors in as columns, or rows, of a matrix A. Find  $\operatorname{rref}(A)$ . If there are two non-zero rows, that is  $\operatorname{rank}(A) = 2$ , then the set is a basis. for example, given  $B = \{(2,1)^T, (3,2)^T\}$  for  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  (I put the vectors in as columns).  $\operatorname{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , so B spans  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . (You could just compute  $\operatorname{rank}(A)$  in MATLAB.
- 13. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $x \in \text{span}\{x_1, x_2\}$  iff Az = x has a solution, similar for y. So for x just try to solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since

$$\operatorname{rref}\left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 2\\ 2 & 4 & 6\\ 3 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This has no solution. Recall this was an augmented matrix, and the last row means  $0z_1+0z_2=1$ , which is nonsense.

17. Here is what this question is getting at. Suppose you take  $b \in CS(A) = Img(A)$  so b = Ax for some x. Then if Ax' = b also, we see that Ax - Ax' = A(x - x') = 0 so  $x - x' \in NS(A)$ .

It is also clear that if  $z \in NS(A)$  and Ax = b, then A(x + z) = Ax + Az = b = 0 = b.

From these two facts we see that if x is any solution to the system ax = b, then the set of all solutions is

$$\boldsymbol{x} + \mathrm{NS}(A) = \{ \boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{z} \mid A\boldsymbol{z} = \boldsymbol{0} \}$$

18.

- (a) Adding a vector to a spanning set leaves it a spanning set. This is clear since if  $S \subset S' \subset V$  are sets of vectors in a vector space V, then clearly  $\operatorname{span}(S) \subset \operatorname{span}(S')$ . But if  $\operatorname{span}(S) = V$ , i.e., S is a spanning set, then  $V \subset \operatorname{span}(S) \subset \operatorname{span}(S') \subset V$  so these must all be the same.
- (b) Removing a vector from a spanning set may, or may not, leave it as a spanning set. If it is a minimal spanning set (a basis), then removing a vector will mean that what is left is no longer spanning.

## Section 3.3

**2.** Again just write these vectors down as the rows of a matrix A. If rref(A) has any 0 rows, then the vectors are not independent, otherwise they are. For example:

$$\operatorname{rref}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So these vectors are not independent.

- **5.** (This is sort of the opposite of the spanning case.)
- (a) Adding vectors to a linearly independent set can obviously mess up independence. (Just add a linear combination of the original vectors.) For example, if  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is linearly independent, then  $S \cup \{0\}$  is not.
- (b) Clearly removing a vector from a linearly independent set cannot mess up linear independence.

Specifically if  $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $S' \subset S$ , say  $S' = \{v_{i_1}, \dots, v_{i_k}\}$  and  $c_{i_1}v_{i_1} + \dots + c_{i_k}v_{i_k} = \mathbf{0}$  is a linear combination of elements of S', then this is trivially also a linear combination of elements of S and hence by the independence of S we have  $c_{i_1} = \dots = c_{i_k} = 0$ . So S' is linearly independent.

**8.** Determine whether the following are independent in  $P_3$ .

(a)  $\{1, x^2, x^2 - 2\}$  is not independent as  $x^2 - 2 = -2 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot x^2$ , so  $x^2 - 2$  is a linear combination of 1 and  $x^2$ .

(c)  $\{x+2, x+1, x^2-1\}$  relative to the standard (ordered) basis for  $P_3$ ,  $\{1, x, x^2\}$ , this is equivalent to asking if  $\{(2, 1, 0), (1, 1, 0), (-1, 0, 1)\}$  is linearly independent. Clearly,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

so  $\{x+2, x+1, x^2-1\}$  is linearly independent.

(d)  $\{x+2, x^2-1\}$  is independent since  $\{x+2, x+1, x^2-1\}$  is linearly independent, by (c).

**9.** Show the following sets are linearly independent in C([0,1])

(a)  $\sin(\pi x)$  and  $\cos(\pi x)$ 

One interesting way here is to note that  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f \cdot g \, dx$  is an inner-product on C([0, 1]) and  $\langle \sin(\pi x), \cos(\pi x) \rangle = 0$ , so actually, these two functions are orthogonal!

A less interesting way is to note that if  $a\sin(\pi x) + b\cos(\pi x) = 0$  (the 0 function), then letting x = 0 gives  $a\sin(0) + b\cos(0) = b = 0$  and letting x = 1/2 gives  $a\sin(\pi/2) + b\cos(\pi/2) = a = 0$  so a = b = 0 and hence the two functions are independent.

**(b)**  $x^{3/2}$  and  $x^{5/2}$ 

Suppose  $ax^{3/2} + bx^{5/2} = 0$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ , then for x = 1 we have a + b = 0 and for x = 1/4 we have  $a(1/2)^3 + b(1/2)^5 = 0$  so  $a + b(1/2)^2 = 0$  hence a + b/4 = 0 or equivalently 4a + b = 0. Solving

$$4a + b = 0$$
$$a + b = 0$$

gives a = b = 0. So These are independent.

(c) 1,  $x^x - e^{-x}$  and  $e^x + e^{-x}$ 

Again suppose  $h(x) = a + b(e^x - e^{-x}) + c(e^x + e^{-x}) = 0$ . It is easy to see h(0) = a + 2c = 0, h'(0) = 2b = 0 and h''(0) = 2c = 0. So clearly, a = b = c = 0 as desired.

(d)  $e^x$ ,  $e^{-x}$  and  $e^{2x}$ 

This is like (c), Assume  $h(x) = ae^x + be^{-x} + ce^{2x}$ , then  $h'(x) = ae^x - be^{-x} + 2ce^{2x}$  and  $h''(x) = ae^e + be^{-x} + 4e^{2x}$  and so

$$h(0) = a + b + c = 0$$
  
 $h'(0) = a - b + 2c = 0$   
 $h''(0) = a + b + 4c = 0$ 

It is easy to check that this has the unique solution a = b = c = 0.

10. It turns out here that 1,  $\cos(x)$ , and  $\sin^2(x/2)$  are linearly dependent and this is from one of the half-angle formulas,

$$\cos(x) = \cos^2(x/2) - \sin^2(x/2) = 1 - 2\sin^2(x/2)$$

.

**16.** Show that the columns of A are linearly independent iff  $NS(A) = \{0\}$ .

Suppose A is  $m \times n$  so  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & \cdots & a_n \end{bmatrix}$  with  $a_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$  the i<sup>th</sup> column of A. Then

$$A\mathbf{x} = x_1\mathbf{a_1} + \dots + x_n\mathbf{a_n}$$

is an arbitrary linear combination of the columns of A and so.

(if) Assume NS(A) =  $\{0\}$ , then  $x_1a_1 + \cdots + x_na_n = 0$  iff Ax = 0 iff x = 0, that is  $x_1 = x_2 = \cdots x_n = 0$ . So the columns of A are linearly independent since the only linear combination giving 0 is the trivial combination.

(only-if) Assume the columns of A are linearly independent, then  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  would mean the  $x_1\mathbf{a_1} + \cdots + x_n\mathbf{a_n} = 0$  so by linear independence,  $x_1 = x_2 = \cdots = 0$  and hence  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  implies  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  so  $NS(A) = \{\mathbf{0}\}.$ 

17. Suppose  $NS(A) = \{0\}$  and  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$  are linearly independent. Suppose also

$$\alpha_1 A x_1 + \alpha_2 A x_2 + \dots + \alpha_k A x_k = 0,$$

then

$$\mathbf{0} = \alpha_1 A \mathbf{x}_1 + \dots + \alpha_k A \mathbf{x}_k = A(\alpha_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + \dots + \alpha_k \mathbf{x}_k)$$

so  $\alpha_1 x_1 + \cdots + \alpha_k x_k \in NS(A) = \{0\}$  and thus

$$\alpha_1 \boldsymbol{x}_1 + \cdots + \alpha_k \boldsymbol{x}_k = \boldsymbol{0}$$

But the  $x_i$ 's are linearly independent so  $a_1 = a_2 = \cdots = a_k = 0$ . but this is what we needed to see that  $Ax_1, Ax_2, \ldots, Ax_k$  is linearly independent.

### Section 3.4

**5**.

(a) Let A be the matrix whose columns are the three vectors given

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

The given vectors are linearly independent iff  $NS(A) = \{0\}$ , since

$$NS(A) = \{0\} \text{ iff } Ax = 0 \text{ implies } x = 0,$$

but the right hand side here says precisely that the only linear combination of the columns that yields  $\mathbf{0}$  is the trivial combination, that is all coefficients are 0.

$$\operatorname{rref} A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Clearly, this has a nontrivial null space, in fact,

$$NS(A) = span\{(-4, 2, 1))\}$$

So  $-4x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 = 0$ , where these were the given vectors. (Easy for the reader to check. Do it!)

- (b) Clearly  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are linearly independent, since there is no  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $rx_1 = x_2$ .
- (c) Let  $S = \text{span}\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ , then (a) and (b) together show  $2 \le \dim(S) < 3$  so  $\dim(S) = 2$ .
- (d) A 2-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a plane.

#### alternate solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & -6 \\ -2 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 7 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So a basis for  $V = \text{span}\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$  is given by  $\{x_2, x_2\}$ . So  $\dim(V) = 2$  and V is a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

7. 
$$(a+b, a-b+2c, b, c) = a(1,1,0,0) + b(1,-1,1,0) + c(0,2,0,1)$$

It is easy to see that  $\{(1,1,0,0), (1,-1,1,0), (0,2,0,1)\}$  is independent so  $\dim(S) = 3$ .

8.

- (a) No, two non co-linear vectors span a plane not all of  $\mathbb{R}^3$
- (b) X must be linearly independent. We can be more specific here. If A has columns  $x_1 = (1, 1, 1)$ ,  $x_2 = (3, -1, 4)$ , and  $x_3 = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$ , then X is linearly independent iff any of the following hold
  - $NS(A) = \{0\}$
  - det(A) = 0
  - $\operatorname{rref}(A) = I_3$

Any one of these can be used to characterize the  $x_3$  that are allowed, but geometrically we know that the set of these vectors is ALL vectors not in the plane spanned by  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ .

- (c) Any vector not in the plane spanned by  $\mathbf{x}_1 \mathbf{x}_2$  will work, say  $\mathbf{x}_3 = (1,0,0)^T$
- **13.**  $\cos(2x) = 2\cos^2(x) 1$ , so  $\dim(\operatorname{span}\{\cos(2x), \cos^2(x), 1\}) = 2$ .

## Section 3.5

1. Find the transition matrix from the basis  $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, u_2\}$  to the standard basis. This I would also denote  $[\mathrm{id}]_{\mathcal{U},\mathcal{E}}$ , where  $\mathrm{id}: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  is just the identity transformation.

(a) 
$$U = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}_1 & \boldsymbol{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**(b)** 
$$U = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}_1 & \boldsymbol{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) 
$$U = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}_1 & \boldsymbol{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**2.** This is just the opposite of (1), find the transition matrix from the standard basis to the basis  $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, u_2\}$ , that is find  $[id]_{\mathcal{E},\mathcal{B}}$ .

Letting U be the matrix from (1), here the matrix we desire is  $U^{-1}$ , so

(a) 
$$U^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**(b)** 
$$U^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}_1 & \boldsymbol{u}_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) 
$$U^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}_1 & \boldsymbol{u}_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3.

(a) The transition matrix for  $\mathcal{V} = \{v_1, v_2\} \to \{e_1, e_2\}$  is  $V = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . So the transformation matrix from  $\mathcal{V} = \{v_1, v_2\} \to \mathcal{U} = \{u_1, u_2\}$  is  $U^{-1}V$ , where U is as in 1.

(a) 
$$U^{-1}V = \begin{bmatrix} 2.5 & 3.5 \\ -0.5 & -0.5 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**(b)** 
$$U^{-1}V = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 14 \\ -4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) 
$$U^{-1}V = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

**6.** Let  $\mathcal{U} = \{ \boldsymbol{u}_1, \boldsymbol{u}_2, \boldsymbol{u}_3 \} = \{ (1, 1, 1), (1, 2, 2), (1, 3, 4) \}$  and  $\mathcal{V} = \{ \boldsymbol{v}_1, \boldsymbol{v}_2, \boldsymbol{v}_3 \} = \{ (4, 6, 7), (0, 1, 1), (0, 1, 2) \}.$ 

(a) Find transition matrix from  $\mathcal{V}$  to  $\mathcal{U}$ .

This is

$$[\mathrm{id}]_{\mathcal{V},\mathcal{U}} = [\mathrm{id} \circ \mathrm{id}]_{\mathcal{V},\mathcal{U}} = [\mathrm{id}]_{\mathcal{E},\mathcal{U}}[\mathrm{id}]_{\mathcal{V},\mathcal{E}} = U^{-1}V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 & 1 \\ 7 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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(b) Find the  $\mathcal{U}$  representation of  $\mathbf{v} = 2\mathbf{v}_1 + 3\mathbf{v}_2 - 4\mathbf{v}_3$ .

We see 
$$[\boldsymbol{v}]_{\mathcal{V}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\3\\-4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and

$$[\boldsymbol{v}]_{\mathcal{U}} = [\mathrm{id}]_{\mathcal{V},\mathcal{U}}[\boldsymbol{v}]_{\mathcal{V}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

So  $\mathbf{v} = 7\mathbf{u}_2 + 5\mathbf{u}_2 - 2\mathbf{u}_3$ .

You should check this:

$$2v_1 + 3v_2 - 4v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 & 1 \\ 7 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 11 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$7u_2 + 5u_2 - 2u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 11 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

**10.** Find transition matrix from the basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{1, x, x^2\}$  for  $\mathbb{P}_3$  to  $\mathcal{C} = \{1, 1 + x, 1 + x + x^2\}$ . The transformation matrix from from  $\mathcal{C}$  to  $\mathcal{B}$  is easy:

$$[1]_{\lfloor} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} \quad [1+x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix} \quad [1+x+x^2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So we have

$$[id]_{\mathcal{C},\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix in the other direction, from  $\mathcal{B}$  to  $\mathcal{C}$  is just the inverse

$$[\mathrm{id}]_{\mathcal{B},\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

As an application, write  $p = 3 - 2x + 4x^2$  in the  $\mathcal C$  basis.  $[p]_{\mathcal B} = (3, -2, 4)$  so

$$[p]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

hence

$$3 - 2x + 4x^2 = 5 - 6(1+x) + 4(1+x+x^2)$$

#### Section 3.6

1. Let A denote the matrix given

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) 
$$\operatorname{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 so  $\operatorname{rank}(A) = 3$  and thus  $\operatorname{RS}(A) = \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $\operatorname{CS}(A) = \mathbb{R}^3$ , and  $\operatorname{NS}(A) = \mathbb{R}^3$ 

 $\{\mathbf{0}\}$ . So we can take the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  as a basis for  $\mathrm{CS}(A)$  and  $\mathrm{NS}(A)$ .

**(b)** 
$$\operatorname{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2/7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 10/7 \end{bmatrix}$$

So setting  $x_4 = t$  we get  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  at  $\mathbf{x} = t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2/7 \\ -10/7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and so

$$\begin{split} & \operatorname{RS}(A) = \operatorname{span}\{(1,0,0,0)^T, (0,1,0,-2/7)^T, (0,0,0,1,10/7)^T\} \\ & \operatorname{CS}(A) = \operatorname{span}\{(-3,1,3)^T, (1,2,4)^T, (3,-1,5)^T\} \\ & \operatorname{NS}(A) = \operatorname{span}\{(0,2/7,-10/7,1)^T\} \end{split}$$

**6.** How many solutions to Ax = b will there be if  $b \in CS(A)$  and the columns of A are dependent?

Since  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathrm{CS}(A)$  we know that there is an  $\mathbf{x}_0$  so that  $A\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{b}$ , so there is at least one solution. If  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathrm{NS}(A)$ , then  $A(\mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{z}) = A\mathbf{x}_0 + A\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{b}$ . Conversely, if  $A\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{b}$ , then  $A(\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}') = \mathbf{0}$ , so  $\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}' \in \mathrm{NS}(A)$  and clearly,  $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x}_0 - (\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}')$ , so  $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x}_0 \mathbf{z}$  for some  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathrm{NS}(A)$ . Thus the set of all solutions to  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  is given by  $\mathbf{x}_0 + \mathrm{NS}(A)$ .

Since the rows of A are independent,  $NS(A) \neq \{0\}$  and hence there are infinitely many solutions to Ax = 0.

9.

- (a) If A is  $6 \times 5$  and  $\dim(NS(A)) = 2$ , then since  $\mathbb{R}^5 = RS(A) \oplus NS(A)$  we have  $5 = \dim RS(A) + 2$  so  $\dim RS(A) = 3$ .
- (b) If B is  $6 \times 5$ , then as above  $5 = \dim NS(A) + \dim RS(A) = \dim NS(A) + \operatorname{rank}(A) = \dim NS(A) + 4$ , so  $\dim NS(A) = 1$ .
- **14.** From U read off the solutions to Ax = 0, i.e. NS(A) = NS(U) as

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2s - t \\ -s - 4t \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = s \cdot \boldsymbol{u}_1 + t \cdot \boldsymbol{u}_2$$

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Now we know  $A(s\boldsymbol{u}_1+t\boldsymbol{u}_2)=\boldsymbol{0}$  so in particular,  $A\boldsymbol{u}_1=A\boldsymbol{u}_2=0$  and if  $A=\begin{bmatrix}\underline{\phantom{a}}_1 & \boldsymbol{a}_2 & \boldsymbol{a}_3 & \boldsymbol{a}_4\end{bmatrix}$ , then

$$Au_1 = -2a_1 - a_2 + a_3 = 0$$

$$Au_2 = -a_1 - 4a_2 + a_4 = 0$$

so

$$\boldsymbol{a}_3 = 2\boldsymbol{a}_1 + \boldsymbol{a}_2$$

$$\boldsymbol{a}_4 = \boldsymbol{a}_1 + 4\boldsymbol{a}_2$$