

§1.7 Linear Independence

Determine if the vectors are linearly independent. Justify each answer.

$$1. \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad 2. \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad 3. \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad 4. \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine if the columns of the matrix form a linearly independent set. Justify each answer

$$5. \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -8 & 5 \\ 3 & -7 & 4 \\ -1 & 5 & -4 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad 6. \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad 7. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ -2 & -7 & 5 & 1 \\ -4 & -5 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad 8. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 & -2 \\ -3 & 7 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) For what values of h is \mathbf{v}_3 in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ (b) For what values of h is $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ linearly *dependent*? Justify each answer.

$$9. \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 10 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -7 \\ h \end{bmatrix}$$

$$10. \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 10 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -10 \\ h \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the value(s) of h for which the vectors are linearly *dependent*. Justify each answer.

$$11. \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ h \end{bmatrix}$$

$$12. \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 7 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ h \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$13. \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -9 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ h \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$14. \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ h \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine by inspection whether the following sets of vectors are linearly *independent*. Justify each answer.

$$15. \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad 16. \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -3 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$17. \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$19. \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 12 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$18. \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$20. \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Mark each statement True or False (**T/F**). Justify each answer on the basis of a careful reading of the text.

21. (**T/F**) The columns of a matrix A are linearly independent if the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has the trivial solution.
22. (**T/F**) Two vectors are linearly independent if and only if they lie on a line through the origin.
23. (**T/F**) If S is a linearly independent set, then each vector is a linear combination of the other vectors in S .
24. (**T/F**) If a set contains fewer vectors than there are entries in the vectors, then the set is linearly independent.
25. (**T/F**) The columns of any 4×5 matrix are linearly independent.
26. (**T/F**) If \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} are linearly independent, and if \mathbf{z} is in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\}$, then $\{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}\}$ linearly dependent.
27. (**T/F**) If \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} are linearly independent and if $\{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}\}$ is linearly dependent, then \mathbf{z} is in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\}$.
28. (**T/F**) If a set in \mathbb{R}^n is linearly independent, then the set contains more vectors than there are entries in each vector.

Describe the possible echelon forms of the matrix. Use the notation of Example 1 in Section 1.2.

29. A is a 3×3 matrix with linearly independent columns.
30. A is a 2×2 matrix with linearly dependent columns.
31. A is a 4×2 matrix, $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2]$, and \mathbf{a}_2 is not a multiple of \mathbf{a}_1 .
32. A is a 4×3 matrix, $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \mathbf{v}_3]$ such that $\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2\}$ is linearly independent and \mathbf{a}_3 is not in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2\}$
33. How many pivot columns must a 7×5 matrix have if its columns are linearly independent? Why?
34. How many pivot columns must a 5×7 matrix have if its columns span \mathbb{R}^4 ? Why?
35. Construct 3×2 matrices A and B such that $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution and $B\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has a nontrivial solution.
36. (a) Fill in the blank in the following statement: "If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, then the columns of A are linearly independent if and only if A has _____ pivot columns."
(b) Explain why the statement in (a) is true.

The following exercises should be solved *without performing row operations*.

37. Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 \\ -5 & 1 & -4 \\ -3 & -1 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, observe that the third column is the sum of the first two columns. Find a nontrivial solution to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

38. Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 6 \\ -7 & 5 & 3 \\ 9 & -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, observe that the first column plus twice the second column equals the third column. Find a nontrivial solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

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Solution: Questions 1 This is the solution to question 1

Solution: Question 2 This is the solution to question 2

40. f_x

Describe the possible echelon forms of the matrix. Use the notation of Example 1 in

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{a}_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = x_1\mathbf{a}_1 + x_2\mathbf{a}_2 + \dots + x_n\mathbf{a}_n$$

Multiply:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 8 & 0 \\ -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Determine if the following sets of vectors are linearly independent columns of the following matrices form a linearly independent set. Justify each answer.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$