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LARSON—MATH 310—HOMEWORK WORKSHEET 05

1. Write up a **neat** assignment on a **new sheet** of paper. (Do not cram your answers between the lines). Typed using L^AT_EX would be even better.
2. **Number** your problems so that it is easy to see what work matches the assigned problems.
3. Be verbose. Remember that you do not understand a concept if you do not know an **examples**.

Problems

1. (**Maximal Linearly Independent Set Algorithm**). Let the columns of matrix A be $\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_6$. Find a maximal set of linearly independent columns by greedily choosing the **last** (largest-index) non-zero column vector, adding the next smallest index column vector that is still linearly independent, and iterating (until no column remains). So, iterating from largest to smallest index.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

What is the linearly independent set X produced at the end of this algorithm. **Write out** the 6 iterations, including your tests for linear independence/dependence.

2. Write each column vector that is **not** in X as a linear combination of the vectors in X .
3. What is the *column space* of A (what is the definition)?
4. Argue that $\text{col}(A)$, the column space of A , **is** the collection $\langle A \rangle$ of linear combinations of your A vectors (that is, show X is a basis for $\text{col}(A)$).
5. What is the definition for the *rank* of a collection of vectors?
6. What is the rank of $\text{col}(A)$?
7. Is it possible that, by considering the column vectors of A in some different order that you might get a collection X with a different number of vectors in it? Explain.