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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<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 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  $col(A)$ , 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  $col(A)$ ).
5. What is the definition for the *rank* of a collection of vectors?
6. What is the rank of  $col(A)$ ?
7. Is it possible that, by considering the column vectors of  $A$  in some different order than you might get a collection  $X$  with a different number of vectors in it? Explain.