

### Exercise- 5.3

1. Explain why the following are linearly dependent set of vectors ~~sto~~ (solve this problem by inspection)

(a)  $u_1 = (-1, 2, 4)$  and  $u_2 = (5, -10, -20)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

There are only two vectors and  $u_2 = -5u_1$ .

Since  $u_2$  is ~~var~~ scalar multiple of  $u_1$ , both the vectors lies on the same line,

Hence  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  are linearly dependent.

(b)  $u_1 = (3, -1)$ ,  $u_2 = (4, 5)$ ,  $u_3 = (-4, 7)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

Number of vectors is 3 and each vector has only 2-components. If number of vectors is greater than the number of component in ~~var~~ each vector then they are linearly dependent.

(c)  $p_1 = 3 - 2x + x^2$  and  $p_2 = 6 - 4x + 2x^2$  in  $P_2$ .

There are only two polynomials and  $p_2 = 2p_1$ .

One is scalar multiple of other, hence linearly dependent.

(d)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $M_{22}$

There are only two matrices and  $B = -A$ .

That is one is scalar multiple of other, hence linearly dependent.



2. Which of the following set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are linearly dependent?

(a)  $(4, -1, 2)$  ,  $(-4, 10, 2)$

Two vectors and none of these is scalar multiple of other. They are linearly independent.

(b)  $(-3, 0, 4)$  ,  $(5, -1, 2)$  ,  $(1, 1, 3)$

Let,  $u_1 = (-3, 0, 4)$  ,  $u_2 = (5, -1, 2)$  and  $u_3 = (1, 1, 3)$

$$k_1 \vec{u}_1 + k_2 \vec{u}_2 + k_3 \vec{u}_3 = \vec{0}$$

$$k_1(-3, 0, 4) + k_2(5, -1, 2) + k_3(1, 1, 3) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$-3k_1 + 5k_2 + k_3 = 0$$

$$0 \cdot k_1 - k_2 + k_3 = 0$$

$$4k_1 + 2k_2 + 3k_3 = 0$$

system of Homogeneous equations.

The coefficient matrix,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -3 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} - 5 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -3(-3-2) - 5(0-4) + 1(0+4)$$

$$= 15 + 20 + 4$$

$$= 39 \neq 0.$$

$\therefore A$  is invertible. Hence the system is consistent and has unique solution/trivial solution.

i.e.  $k_1 = k_2 = k_3 = 0$ .

$\therefore$  Given vectors are linearly independent.



(c)  $(8, -1, 3), (4, 0, 1)$

two vectors which are not scalar multiple of each other, hence linearly independent.

(d)  $(-2, 0, 1), (3, 2, 5), (6, -1, 1), (7, 0, -2)$

No. of vector = 4.

No. of component in each vector = 3.

since,  $4 > 3$ , hence given vector are linearly dependent.

Use: Theorem: 5.3.3

Let  $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r\}$  be a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $r > n$ , then  $S$  is linearly dependent.



3. Which of the following sets of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  are linearly dependent?

(a)  $(3, 8, 7, -3), (1, 5, 3, -1), (2, -1, 2, 6), (1, 4, 0, 3)$

Set a linear combination of these 4-vectors equal to zero

$$k_1(3, 8, 7, -3) + k_2(1, 5, 3, -1) + k_3(2, -1, 2, 6) + k_4(1, 4, 0, 3) = (0, 0, 0, 0)$$

Equating the corresponding components,

$$3k_1 + k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4 = 0$$

$$8k_1 + 5k_2 - k_3 + 4k_4 = 0$$

$$7k_1 + 3k_2 + 2k_3 + 0 \cdot k_4 = 0$$

$$-3k_1 - k_2 + 6k_3 + 3 \cdot k_4 = 0$$

~~3k~~ Homogeneous system of linear equation.

The coefficient matrix,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 8 & 5 & -1 & 4 \\ 7 & 3 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 8 & 5 & -1 & 4 \\ 7 & 3 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 & 6 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 7 & -19 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2' = 3R_2 - 8R_1 \\ R_3' = 3R_3 - 7R_1 \\ R_4' = R_3 + R_1 \end{array}$$

$$= 3 \begin{vmatrix} 7 & -19 & 4 \\ 2 & -8 & -7 \\ 0 & 8 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 3 [7(-32 + 56) - 2(-76 - 32)]$$

$$= 3(7 \cdot 24 + 216) =$$

$\neq 0$

[A is invertible system has only trivial solution]

$\therefore$  The vectors are linearly independent.



4. Which of the following sets of vectors in  $P_2$  are linearly dependent?

(a)  $2 - x + 4x^2$ ,  $3 + 6x + 2x^2$ ,  $2 + 10x - 4x^2$

Set zero as a linear combination of ~~the~~ given polynomials,

$$0 + 0 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2 = k_1(2 - x + 4x^2) + k_2(3 + 6x + 2x^2) + k_3(2 + 10x - 4x^2)$$

~~Equating the different~~

Equating the coefficients of different power of  $x$ ,

$$2k_1 + 3k_2 + 2k_3 = 0$$

$$-k_1 + 6k_2 + 10k_3 = 0$$

$$4k_1 + 2k_2 - 4k_3 = 0$$

Coefficient matrix,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 2 \\ -1 & 6 & 10 \\ 4 & 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 2 \\ -1 & 6 & 10 \\ 4 & 2 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 10 \\ 2 & -4 \end{vmatrix} - 3 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 10 \\ 4 & -4 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 6 \\ 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2(-24 - 20) - 3(4 - 40) + 2(-2 - 24) \\ &= -88 + 108 - 52 \\ &= -32 \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

$A$  is invertible, hence the system has unique solution. And the solution is trivial solution.

i.e.  $k_1 = k_2 = k_3 = 0$ .

$\therefore$  Given vectors are linearly independent.



5. Assume that  $v_1, v_2$  and  $v_3$  are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  that have their initial points at the origin.

~~Deter~~ Determine whether the three vectors lie in a plane.

a)  $v_1 = (2, -2, 0)$ ,  $v_2 = (6, 1, 4)$ ,  $v_3 = (2, 0, -4)$

Three vectors lie in a plane if the vectors are linearly dependent.

Set zero as a linear combination of the given vectors

$$(0, 0, 0) = k_1(2, -2, 0) + k_2(6, 1, 4) + k_3(2, 0, -4)$$

$$2k_1 + 6k_2 + 2k_3 = 0$$

$$-2k_1 + k_2 + 0 \cdot k_3 = 0$$

$$0 \cdot k_1 + 4k_2 - 4k_3 = 0$$

The coefficient matrix is,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 6 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -4 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 4 & -4 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2(-4-0) + 2(-24-8) \\ &= -8 - 64 = -72 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\det(A) \neq 0$ , the  $A$  is invertible and the homogeneous system has unique solution, i.e.

$$k_1 = k_2 = k_3 = 0$$

So the vectors are linearly independent.

Hence  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2$ , and  $\vec{v}_3$  do not lie in a plane.



6. Assume that  $v_1, v_2$ , and  $v_3$  are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  that have their initial points at the origin. Determine whether the three vectors lie on the same line.

(c)  $v_1 = (4, 6, 8)$ ,  $v_2 = (2, 3, 4)$ ,  $v_3 = (-2, -3, -4)$

These three vectors lie on the same plane, since each of them are scalar multiple of others. Hence they are linearly dependent and lie on the same plane.

$$v_1 = 2 v_2, \quad v_2 = \frac{1}{2} v_1, \quad v_3 = -v_2, \quad v_3 = -\frac{1}{2}(v_1)$$

(a)  $v_1 = (-1, 2, 3)$ ,  $v_2 = (2, -4, -6)$ ,  $v_3 = (-3, 6, 0)$

Here,  $v_2 = -2v_1$  hence  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  lie on the same ~~plane~~ <sup>line</sup>. If  $v_3$  can be expressed as a linear combination of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  then they lie on the same line.

$$v_3 = k_1 v_1 + k_2 v_2$$

$$(-3, 6, 0) = k_1(-1, 2, 3) + k_2(2, -4, -6)$$

$$= (-k_1 + 2k_2, 2k_1 - 4k_2, 3k_1 - 6k_2)$$

$$\therefore -k_1 + 2k_2 = -3$$

$$2k_1 - 4k_2 = 6$$

$$3k_1 - 6k_2 = 0$$

Reduced by Gaussian elimination

$$\begin{array}{llll} k_1 - 2k_2 = 3 & \Rightarrow & k_1 - 2k_2 = 3 & \Rightarrow & k_1 - 2k_2 = 3 \\ 2k_1 - 4k_2 = 6 & & 0 - 0 = 0 & & 0 = -3 \\ 3k_1 - 6k_2 = 0 & & 0 - 0 = -3 & & \text{Inconsistent.} \end{array}$$

Hence  $v_3$  is not in the plane that contains  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . Hence they are not in the same line.



21. Use Wronskian to show that the following sets of vectors are linearly independent.

(a)  $1, x, e^x$ .

The Wronskian is, 
$$W = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & e^x \\ 0 & 1 & e^x \\ 0 & 0 & e^x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & e^x \\ 0 & e^x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= e^x - 0$$

$$= e^x \neq 0$$

Since the Wronskian is not zero, the vectors are linearly independent.



21(b)  $\sin x$ ,  $\cos x$ ,  $x \sin x$

The Wronskian is,

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & x \sin x \\ \cos x & -\sin x & x \cos x + \sin x \\ -\sin x & -\cos x & -x \sin x + 2 \cos x \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & x \sin x \\ \cos x & -\sin x & x \cos x + \sin x \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \cos x \end{vmatrix} \quad R_3' = R_3 + R_1 \\ &= 2 \cos x \begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x \\ \cos x & -\sin x \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2 \cos x (-\sin^2 x - \cos^2 x) \\ &= -2 \cos x \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since the Wronskian is not zero the vectors are linearly independent.



21.(c)  $e^x, xe^x, x^2e^x$

The Wronskian is

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} e^x & xe^x & x^2e^x \\ e^x & xe^x + e^x & x^2e^x + 2xe^x \\ e^x & xe^x + e^x + e^x & x^2e^x + 2xe^x + 2xe^x + 2e^x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} e^x & xe^x & x^2e^x \\ e^x & e^x(x+1) & (x^2+2x)e^x \\ e^x & e^x(x+2) & (x^2+4x+2)e^x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} e^x & xe^x & x^2e^x \\ 0 & e^x & 2xe^x \\ 0 & 2e^x & (4x+2)e^x \end{vmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_2' = R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3' = R_3 - R_1 \end{array}$$

$$= e^x \begin{vmatrix} e^x & 2xe^x \\ 2e^x & (4x+2)e^x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= e^x [(4x+2)e^{2x} - 4xe^{2x}]$$

$$= e^x \cdot 2e^{2x}$$

$$= 2e^{3x} \neq 0.$$

Since the Wronskian is not zero, the vectors are linearly independent.