

Solution

Section 2.7 – Coordinates, Basis and Dimension

Exercise

Suppose $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ is a basis for R^n and the n by n matrix A is invertible. Show that $A\vec{v}_1, \dots, A\vec{v}_n$ is also a basis for R^n .

Solution

Put the basis vectors $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ in the columns of an invertible matrix V . then $A\vec{v}_1, \dots, A\vec{v}_n$ are the columns of AV . Since A is invertible, so is AV and its column give a basis.

Suppose $c_1 A\vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_n A\vec{v}_n = 0$. This is $A\vec{v} = 0$ with $\vec{v} = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_n \vec{v}_n$. Multiply by A^{-1} to get $\vec{v} = 0$. By linear independence of \vec{v} 's, all $c_i = 0$. So, the Av 's are independent.

Exercise

Consider the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ 2 & -1 & b \\ 1 & 1 & c \\ -2 & 1 & d \end{pmatrix}$

a) Which vectors $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix}$ will make the columns of A linearly dependent?

b) Which vectors $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix}$ will make the columns of A a basis for $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} : y + w = 0 \right\}$?

c) For $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, compute a basis for the four subspaces.

Solution

a) All linear combination of $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

b) To satisfy $b + d = 0$. For example, $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + B \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} + C \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad A \neq 0$$

c) $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} + 4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 - R_1 \\ R_4 + 2R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_3 + R_2 \\ R_4 + R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_3 = 0 \\ -x_2 - 4x_3 = 0 \end{array}$$

The first 2 columns span the column space $C(A)$.

If $x_3 = 1$ that implies that the nullspace

$$N(A): \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$\text{Rank}(A) = 2$ and $[-1 \ -4 \ 1]^T$ is a basis for the one-dimensional $N(A)$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Exercise

Find a basis for $x - 2y + 3z = 0$ in \mathbb{R}^3 .

Find a basis for the intersection of that plane with xy plane. Then find a basis for all vectors perpendicular to the plane.

Solution

This plane is the nullspace of the matrix

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

The special solutions: $s_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $s_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ give a basis for the nullspace, and for the plane.

The intersection of this plane with the xy -plane is a line $(x, -2x, 3x)$ and the vector $(1, -2, 3)^T$ lies in the xy -plane.

The vector $v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ is perpendicular to both vectors s_1 and s_2 : the space vectors perpendicular to a plane \mathbb{R}^3 is one-dimensional, it gives a basis.

Exercise

\mathbf{U} comes from \mathbf{A} by subtracting row 1 from row 3:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the bases for the two column spaces. Find the bases for the two row spaces. Find bases for the two nullspaces.

Solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 - 3R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 - x_3 = 0 \\ x_2 + x_3 = 0 \end{array}$$

a) The pivots are in the first two columns, so one possible basis for $C(\mathbf{A})$ is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and for

$$C(\mathbf{U}) \text{ is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

b) Both \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{U} have the same nullspace $N(\mathbf{A}) = N(\mathbf{U})$,

$$\text{with basis } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

c) Both \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{U} have the same row space

$$C(\mathbf{A}^T) = C(\mathbf{U}^T), \quad \text{with basis } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Exercise

Write a 3 by 3 identity matrix as a combination of the other five permutation matrices. Then show that those five matrices are linearly independent. (Assume a combination gives $c_1 P_1 + \dots + c_5 P_5 = 0$, and check entries to prove c_i is zero.) The five permutation matrices are a basis for the subspace of 3 by 3 matrices with row and column sums all equal.

Solution

Assume:

$$P_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad P_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad P_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad P_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_1 + P_2 + P_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } P_4 + P_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_1 + P_2 + P_3 - P_4 - P_5 = I$$

$$c_1 P_1 + c_2 P_2 + c_3 P_3 + c_4 P_4 + c_5 P_5 = \begin{pmatrix} c_3 & c_1 + c_4 & c_2 + c_5 \\ c_1 + c_5 & c_2 & c_3 + c_4 \\ c_2 + c_4 & c_3 + c_5 & c_1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0 \quad (\text{diagonal})$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 + c_4 & 0 + c_5 \\ 0 + c_5 & 0 & 0 + c_4 \\ 0 + c_4 & 0 + c_5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\underline{c_4 = c_5 = 0}$$

Exercise

Choose three independent columns of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 4 & 12 & 15 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Then choose a different three independent

columns. Explain whether either of these choices forms a basis for $C(A)$.

Solution

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 4 & 12 & 15 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_2 - 2R_1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} 2R_2 - R_2 \\ R_4 - R_2 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \frac{1}{9}R_3$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_1 - 2R_3$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \frac{1}{4}R_1 \\ \frac{1}{6}R_2 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{7}{6} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\text{Rank}(A) = 3$, the columns space is 3 which form a basis of $C(A)$. The variable is x_3

If $x_3 = 1$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{7}{6} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 + \frac{1}{4}x_3 &= 0 \\ x_2 + \frac{7}{6}x_3 &= 0 \\ x_4 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{x_1 = -\frac{1}{4} \quad x_2 = -\frac{7}{6} \quad x_4 = 0 \quad |}$$

$$N(A) \text{ is spanned by } x_n = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{4} \\ -\frac{7}{6} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ which gives the relation of the columns.}$$

The special solution x_n gives a relation $-\frac{1}{4}\vec{v}_1 - \frac{7}{6}\vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3 = 0$. If we take any two columns from the first three columns and the column 4, they will span a three-dimensional space since there will be no relation among them. Hence, they form a basis of $C(A)$.

Exercise

Which of the following sets of vectors are bases for \mathbb{R}^2 ?

- a) $\{(2, 1), (3, 0)\}$
- b) $\{(0, 0), (1, 3)\}$

Solution

$$a) \quad k_1(2, 1) + k_2(3, 0) = (0, 0)$$

$$k_1(2, 1) + k_2(3, 0) = (b_1, b_2)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -3 \neq 0$$

Therefore, the vectors $\{(2, 1), (3, 0)\}$ are linearly independent and span \mathbb{R}^2 , so they form a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 .

$$b) \quad k_1(0, 0) + k_2(1, 3) = (0, 0)$$

$$k_1(0, 0) + k_2(1, 3) = (b_1, b_2)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Therefore; the vectors $\{(0, 0), (1, 3)\}$ are linearly dependent, so they don't form a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 .

Exercise

Which of the following sets of vectors are bases for \mathbb{R}^3 ?

$$a) \quad \{(1, 0, 0), (2, 2, 0), (3, 3, 3)\}$$

$$c) \quad \{(2, -3, 1), (4, 1, 1), (0, -7, 1)\}$$

$$b) \quad \{(3, 1, -4), (2, 5, 6), (1, 4, 8)\}$$

$$d) \quad \{(1, 6, 4), (2, 4, -1), (-1, 2, 5)\}$$

Solution

$$a) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 6 \neq 0$$

Therefore, the set of vectors are linearly independent.

The set form a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$b) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & 4 \\ -4 & 6 & 8 \end{vmatrix} = 26 \neq 0$$

Therefore, the set of vectors are linearly independent.

The set form a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$c) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & -7 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Therefore, the set of vectors are linearly dependent.

The set don't form a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$d) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 6 & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Therefore; the set of vectors are linearly dependent.

The set don't form a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

Exercise

Let V be the space spanned by $\vec{v}_1 = \cos^2 x$, $\vec{v}_2 = \sin^2 x$, $\vec{v}_3 = \cos 2x$

- Show that $S = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ is not a basis for V .
- Find a basis for V .

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} a) \quad \cos 2x &= \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x \\ k_1 \cos^2 x + k_2 \sin^2 x + k_3 \cos 2x &= 0 \\ k_1 \cos^2 x + k_2 \sin^2 x + k_3 (\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x) &= 0 \\ (k_1 + k_3) \cos^2 x + (k_2 - k_3) \sin^2 x &= 0 \\ \begin{cases} k_1 + k_3 = 0 & \rightarrow k_1 = -k_3 \\ k_2 - k_3 = 0 & \rightarrow k_2 = k_3 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{If } k_3 = -1 \Rightarrow k_1 = 1, \quad k_2 = -1$$

$$(1)\cos^2 x + (-1)\sin^2 x + (-1)\cos 2x = 0$$

This shows that $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ is linearly dependent, therefore it is **not** a basis for V .

- For $c_1 \cos^2 x + c_2 \sin^2 x = 0$ to hold for all real x values, we must have $c_1 = 0$ ($x = 0$) and $c_2 = 0$ ($x = \frac{\pi}{2}$).

Therefore, the vectors $\vec{v}_1 = \cos^2 x$ $\vec{v}_2 = \sin^2 x$ are linearly independent.

$$\begin{aligned} v &= k_1 \cos^2 x + k_2 \sin^2 x + k_3 \cos 2x \\ &= (k_1 + k_3) \cos^2 x + (k_2 - k_3) \sin^2 x \end{aligned}$$

This proves that the vectors $\vec{v}_1 = \cos^2 x$ and $\vec{v}_2 = \sin^2 x$ span V .

We can conclude that $\vec{v}_1 = \cos^2 x$ and $\vec{v}_2 = \sin^2 x$ can form a basis for V .

Exercise

Find the coordinate vector of \vec{w} relative to the basis $S = \{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2\}$ for \mathbb{R}^2

a) $\vec{u}_1 = (1, 0), \vec{u}_2 = (0, 1), \vec{w} = (3, -7)$ d) $\vec{u}_1 = (1, -1), \vec{u}_2 = (1, 1), \vec{w} = (0, 1)$

b) $\vec{u}_1 = (2, -4), \vec{u}_2 = (3, 8), \vec{w} = (1, 1)$ e) $\vec{u}_1 = (1, -1), \vec{u}_2 = (1, 1), \vec{w} = (1, 1)$

c) $\vec{u}_1 = (1, 1), \vec{u}_2 = (0, 2), \vec{w} = (a, b)$

Solution

a) $\vec{u}_1 = (1, 0), \vec{u}_2 = (0, 1), \vec{w} = (3, -7)$

We must first express \vec{w} as a linear combination of the vectors in S : $\vec{w} = c_1 \vec{u}_1 + c_2 \vec{u}_2$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 \end{array} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} c_1 = 3 \\ c_2 = -7 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3, -7) &= 3(1, 0) - 7(0, 1) \\ &= 3u_1 - 7u_2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\underline{(\vec{w})_S = (3, -7)}$

b) $\vec{u}_1 = (2, -4), \vec{u}_2 = (3, 8), \vec{w} = (1, 1)$

Solve: $\vec{w} = c_1 \vec{u}_1 + c_2 \vec{u}_2$

$$c_1 (2, -4) + c_2 (3, 8) = (1, 1)$$

$$\begin{cases} 2c_1 + 3c_2 = 1 \\ -4c_1 + 8c_2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ -4 & 8 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad R_2 + 2R_1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 14 & 3 \end{array} \right] \quad \frac{1}{14}R_2$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{14} \end{array} \right] \quad R_1 - 3R_2$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 0 & \frac{5}{14} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{14} \end{array} \right] \quad \frac{1}{2}R_1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{5}{28} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{14} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\frac{5}{28}(2, -4) + \frac{3}{14}(3, 8) = (1, 1)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } (\vec{w})_S = \left(\frac{5}{28}, \frac{3}{14} \right)$$

$$c) \quad \vec{u}_1 = (1, 1), \quad \vec{u}_2 = (0, 2), \quad \vec{w} = (a, b)$$

$$\text{Solve: } \vec{w} = c_1 \vec{u}_1 + c_2 \vec{u}_2$$

$$c_1(1, 1) + c_2(0, 2) = (a, b)$$

$$\begin{cases} c_1 = a \\ c_1 + 2c_2 = b \end{cases} \Rightarrow \underline{c_2 = \frac{b-a}{2}}$$

$$a(1, 1) + \frac{b-a}{2}(0, 2) = (a, b)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } (\vec{w})_S = \left(a, \frac{b-a}{2} \right)$$

$$d) \quad \vec{u}_1 = (1, -1), \quad \vec{u}_2 = (1, 1), \quad \vec{w} = (0, 1)$$

$$\text{Solve: } \vec{w} = c_1 \vec{u}_1 + c_2 \vec{u}_2$$

$$c_1(1, -1) + c_2(1, 1) = (0, 1)$$

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 = 0 \\ -c_1 + c_2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$c_1 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$c_2 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}(1, -1) + \frac{1}{2}(1, 1) = (0, 1)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } (\vec{w})_S = \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$e) \quad \vec{u}_1 = (1, -1), \quad \vec{u}_2 = (1, 1), \quad \vec{w} = (1, 1)$$

$$\text{Solve: } \vec{w} = c_1 \vec{u}_1 + c_2 \vec{u}_2$$

$$c_1(1, -1) + c_2(1, 1) = (1, 1)$$

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 = 1 \\ -c_1 + c_2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$c_1 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}} \equiv 0$$

$$c_2 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}}{2} \equiv 1$$

$$0(1, -1) + 1(1, 1) = (1, 1)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } (\vec{w})_S = (0, 1)$$

Exercise

Find the coordinate vector of \vec{v} relative to the basis $S = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$

$$a) \vec{v} = (2, -1, 3), \vec{v}_1 = (1, 0, 0), \vec{v}_2 = (2, 2, 0), \vec{v}_3 = (3, 3, 3)$$

$$b) \vec{v} = (5, -12, 3), \vec{v}_1 = (1, 2, 3), \vec{v}_2 = (-4, 5, 6), \vec{v}_3 = (7, -8, 9)$$

Solution

$$a) \vec{v} = (2, -1, 3), \vec{v}_1 = (1, 0, 0), \vec{v}_2 = (2, 2, 0), \vec{v}_3 = (3, 3, 3)$$

$$\text{Solve: } c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + c_3 \vec{v}_3 = \vec{v}$$

$$c_1(1, 0, 0) + c_2(2, 2, 0) + c_3(3, 3, 3) = (2, -1, 3)$$

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + 2c_2 + 3c_3 = 2 & \rightarrow c_1 = 2 - 2c_2 - 3c_3 \equiv 3 \\ 2c_2 + 3c_3 = -1 & \rightarrow c_2 = \frac{-3c_3 - 1}{2} \equiv -2 \\ 3c_3 = 3 & \rightarrow c_3 = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$3(1, 0, 0) - 2(2, 2, 0) + 1(3, 3, 3) = (2, -1, 3)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } (\vec{v})_S = (3, -2, 1)$$

$$b) \vec{v} = (5, -12, 3), \vec{v}_1 = (1, 2, 3), \vec{v}_2 = (-4, 5, 6), \vec{v}_3 = (7, -8, 9)$$

$$\text{Solve: } c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + c_3 \vec{v}_3 = \vec{v}$$

$$c_1(1, 2, 3) + c_2(-4, 5, 6) + c_3(7, -8, 9) = (5, -12, 3)$$

$$\begin{cases} c_1 - 4c_2 + 7c_3 = 5 \\ 2c_1 + 5c_2 - 8c_3 = -12 \\ 3c_1 + 6c_2 + 9c_3 = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$c_1 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 5 & -4 & 7 \\ -12 & 5 & -8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & -8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{-480}{240} = -2$$

$$c_2 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & 7 \\ 2 & -12 & -8 \\ 3 & 3 & 9 \end{vmatrix}}{240} = \frac{0}{240} = 0$$

$$c_3 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -4 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & -12 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 \end{vmatrix}}{240} = \frac{240}{240} = 1$$

$$-2(1, 2, 3) + 0(-4, 5, 6) + 1(7, -8, 9) = (5, -12, 3)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } (\vec{v})_S = (-2, 0, 1)$$

Exercise

Show that $\{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4\}$ is a basis for M_{22} , and express A as a linear combination of the basis vectors

$$a) \quad A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b) \quad A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c) \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution

a) Matrices $\{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4\}$ are linearly independent if the equation

$$k_1 A_1 + k_2 A_2 + k_3 A_3 + k_4 A_4 = \mathbf{0}$$

$$k_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + k_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + k_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + k_4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

Has only the trivial solution.

For these matrices to span M_{22} , it must be expressed every matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{pmatrix}$ as

$$k_1 A_1 + k_2 A_2 + k_3 A_3 + k_4 A_4 = \mathbf{A}$$

$$k_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + k_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + k_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + k_4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

The 2 equations can be written as linear systems

$$\begin{array}{rclcl} k_1 + k_2 + k_3 & = & 0 & k_1 + k_2 + k_3 & = a_1 \\ k_2 & = & 0 & k_2 & = a_2 \\ k_1 & + & k_4 = 0 & \text{and} & k_1 & + & k_4 = a_3 \\ k_3 & = & 0 & k_3 & = a_4 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] = -1 \neq 0,$$

That the homogeneous system has only the trivial solution.

$$\{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4\} \text{ span } M_{22}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} k_1 + k_2 + k_3 & = 6 \\ k_2 & = 2 \\ k_1 & + k_4 = 5 \\ k_3 & = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right] \quad R_3 - R_1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 - R_2 \\ R_3 + R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 + R_3 \\ \\ R_4 + R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right] \quad -R_3$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 - R_4 \\ \\ R_3 + R_4 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} k_1 = 1 \\ k_2 = 2 \\ k_3 = 3 \\ k_4 = 4 \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \underline{A_1 + 2A_2 + 3A_3 + 4A_4}$$

b) Matrices $\{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4\}$ are linearly independent if the equation

$$k_1 A_1 + k_2 A_2 + k_3 A_3 + k_4 A_4 = \mathbf{0}$$

$$k_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + k_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + k_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + k_4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

Has only the trivial solution.

For these matrices to span M_{22} , it must be expressed every matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{pmatrix}$ as

$$k_1 A_1 + k_2 A_2 + k_3 A_3 + k_4 A_4 = \mathbf{A}$$

$$k_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + k_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + k_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + k_4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The 2 equations can be written as linear systems

$$\begin{array}{llll}
k_1 & = 0 & k_1 & = a_1 \\
k_1 + k_2 & = 0 & k_1 + k_2 & = a_2 \\
k_1 + k_2 + k_3 & = 0 & k_1 + k_2 + k_3 & = a_3 \\
k_1 + k_2 + k_3 + k_4 & = 0 & k_1 + k_2 + k_3 + k_4 & = a_4
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \neq 0, \text{ that the homogeneous system has only the trivial solution.}$$

$$\{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4\} \text{ span } M_{22}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
\begin{array}{l} R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 - R_1 \\ R_4 - R_1 \end{array}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \\
\begin{array}{l} R_3 - R_2 \\ R_4 - R_2 \end{array}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
R_4 - R_3
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \\
\begin{array}{l} k_1 = 1 \\ k_2 = -1 \\ k_3 = 1 \\ k_4 = -1 \end{array}
\end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = A_1 - A_2 + A_3 - A_4$$

$$c) \quad k_1 \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + k_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + k_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + k_4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \\
R_2 + R_1
\end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \quad \frac{1}{2}R_2$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} k_1 = 1 \\ k_2 = 1 \\ k_3 = -1 \\ k_4 = 3 \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{A} = A_1 + A_2 - A_3 + 3A_4}$$

Exercise

Consider the eight vectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- List all of the one-element, linearly dependent sets formed from these.
- What are the two-element, linearly dependent sets?
- Find a three-element set spanning a subspace of dimension three, and dimension of two? One? Zero?
- Which four-element sets are linearly dependent? Explain why.

Solution

$$a) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ zero vector is the only linearly dependent.}$$

b) The set that contains zero vector and any other vector.

c) 2-dimension:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{1-dimensional subspace if we allow duplicates (zero vector)} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

d) All four-element sets are linearly dependent in three-dimensional space.

Exercise

Find a basis for the solution space of the homogeneous linear system, and find the dimension of that space

$$a) \begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 0 \\ -2x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 0 \\ -x_1 \quad \quad + x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$d) \begin{cases} x + y + z = 0 \\ 3x + 2y - 2z = 0 \\ 4x + 3y - z = 0 \\ 6x + 5y + z = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$b) \begin{cases} 3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0 \\ 5x_1 - x_2 + x_3 - x_4 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$e) \begin{cases} 2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 \quad \quad + 5x_3 = 0 \\ \quad \quad x_2 + x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$c) \begin{cases} x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ 2x_1 - 6x_2 + 2x_3 = 0 \\ 3x_1 - 9x_2 + 3x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solution

$$a) \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \\ R_2 + 2R_1 \\ R_3 + R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_2 - R_2 \\ \\ R_3 - R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} x_1 - x_3 = 0 \rightarrow \underline{x_1 = x_3} \\ \underline{x_2 = 0} \\ \end{array}$$

The solution: $(x_1, 0, x_1) = x_1(1, 0, 1)$

The solution space has dimension 1 and a basis $\underline{(1, 0, 1)}$

$$b) \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad 3R_2 - 5R_1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -8 & -2 & -8 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad 8R_1 + R_2$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 24 & 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -8 & -2 & -8 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{24}R_1 \\ -\frac{1}{8}R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{4} & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} x_3 = s \quad \underline{x_1 = -\frac{1}{4}x_3 = -s} \\ x_4 = t \quad \underline{x_2 = -\frac{1}{4}x_3 - x_4 = -\frac{1}{4}s - t} \end{array}$$

The solution:

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) &= \left(-\frac{1}{4}s, -\frac{1}{4}s - t, s, t\right) \\ &= s\left(-\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}, 1, 0\right) + t(0, -1, 0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

The solution space has dimension 2 and a basis $\underline{\left(-\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}, 1, 0\right), (0, -1, 0, 1)}$

$$\begin{array}{l} c) \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -6 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -9 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 - 3R_1 \end{array} \\ \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 = 0 \rightarrow x_1 = 3x_2 - x_3 \end{array}$$

The solution:

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, x_2, x_3) &= (3x_2 - x_3, x_2, x_3) \\ &= x_2(3, 1, 0) + x_3(-1, 0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

The solution space has dimension 2 and a basis $\underline{(3, 1, 0) \text{ and } (-1, 0, 1)}$

$$\begin{array}{l} d) \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & -2 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 6 & 5 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 - 3R_1 \\ R_3 - 4R_1 \\ R_4 - 6R_1 \end{array} \\ \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 - R_2 \\ R_4 - R_2 \end{array} \\ \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad -R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} x = 4z \\ y = -5z \end{array}$$

The solution: $(x, y, z) = (4z, -5z, z) = z(4, -5, 1)$

The solution space has dimension 1 and a basis $(4, -5, 1)$

$$e) \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad 2R_2 - R_1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 + R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 0 & 10 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2}R_1 \\ -R_2 \\ \frac{1}{8}R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 - 5R_3 \\ R_2 + 7R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

No basis and dimension = 0

Exercise

If $AS = SA$ for the shift matrix S . Show that A must have this special form:

$$\text{If } \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{then } A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix}$$

“The subspace of matrices that commute with the shift S has dimension _____.”

Solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & g & h \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} d & e & f \\ g & h & i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & g & h \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} d & e & f \\ g & h & i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow d = g = h = 0 \quad b = f \quad a = e = i$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix}$$

The subspace of matrices that commute with the shift S has dimension 3, because the matrix has only three variables.

Exercise

Find bases for the following subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3

- a) All vectors of the form $(a, b, c, 0)$
- b) All vectors of the form (a, b, c, d) , where $d = a + b$ and $c = a - b$.
- c) All vectors of the form (a, b, c, d) , where $a = b = c = d$.

Solution

- a) The subspace can be expressed as $\text{span } S = \{(1, 0, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 0)\}$ is a set of linearly independent vectors. Therefore; S forms a basis for the subspace, so its dimension is 3.
- b) The subspace contains all vectors $(a, b, a+b, a-b) = a(1, 0, 1, 1) + b(0, 1, 1, -1)$, the set $S = \{(1, 0, 1, 1), (0, 1, 1, -1)\}$ is linearly independent vectors. Therefore; S forms a basis for the subspace, so its dimension is 2.
- c) The subspace contains all vectors $(a, a, a, a) = a(1, 1, 1, 1)$, we can express the set $S = \{(1, 1, 1, 1)\}$ as $\text{span } S$ and it is linearly independent. Therefore, S forms a basis for the subspace, so its dimension is 1.

Exercise

Find a basis for the null space of A .

$$a) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 5 & -4 & -4 \\ 7 & -6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 9 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 & 4 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution

$$a) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 5 & -4 & -4 \\ 7 & -6 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 - 5R_1 \\ R_3 - 7R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -19 \\ 0 & 1 & -19 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 - R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -16 \\ 0 & 1 & -19 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow x_1 = 16x_3 = 16t \\ \rightarrow x_2 = 19x_3 = 19t \end{array}$$

$$\text{The general form of the solution of } A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \text{ is } \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 19 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 19 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ forms a basis for the null space of A .

$$b) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 + R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & -7 & -7 & -4 \\ 0 & 7 & 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_3 + R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & -7 & -7 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad -\frac{1}{7}R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \frac{4}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 - 4R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{2}{7} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \frac{4}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -x_3 + \frac{2}{7}x_4 = -t + \frac{2}{7}s \\ x_2 = -x_3 - \frac{4}{7}x_4 = -t - \frac{4}{7}s \end{array}$$

The general form of the solution of $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ is $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{7} \\ -\frac{4}{7} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Therefore, the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{7} \\ -\frac{4}{7} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ form a basis for the null space of A .

c) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 9 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 & 4 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 - 3R_1 \\ R_3 + R_1 \\ R_4 - 2R_1 \end{array}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 9 \\ 0 & -14 & -14 & -14 & -28 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 & 4 & 8 \\ 0 & -5 & -5 & -5 & -10 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} -\frac{1}{14}R_2 \\ \frac{1}{4}R_3 \\ -\frac{1}{5}R_4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
\end{array}
\begin{array}{l}
R_1 - 4R_2 \\
\\
R_3 - R_2 \\
R_4 - R_2 \\
\\
\rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = -x_3 - 2x_4 - x_5 = -r - 2s - t \\ x_2 = -x_3 - x_4 - 2x_5 = -r - s - 2t \end{cases}
\end{array}$$

The general form of the solution of $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ is

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ form a basis for the null space of A .

Exercise

Find a basis for the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by the given vectors

a) $(1, 1, -4, -3)$, $(2, 0, 2, -2)$, $(2, -1, 3, 2)$

b) $(-1, 1, -2, 0)$, $(3, 3, 6, 0)$, $(9, 0, 0, 3)$

Solution

a) $(1, 1, -4, -3)$, $(2, 0, 2, -2)$, $(2, -1, 3, 2)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -4 & -3 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}
\begin{array}{l}
\\
R_2 - 2R_1 \\
R_3 - 2R_1
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -4 & -3 \\ 0 & -2 & 10 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 & 11 & 8 \end{pmatrix}
\begin{array}{l}
\\
\\
-\frac{1}{2}R_2
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -4 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & -2 \\ 0 & -3 & 11 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 - R_2 \\ \\ R_3 + 3R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad -\frac{1}{4}R_3$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 - R_3 \\ R_2 + 5R_3 \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -\frac{9}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

A basis for the subspace is $\left(1, 0, 0, -\frac{1}{2}\right), \left(0, 1, 0, -\frac{9}{2}\right), \left(0, 0, 1, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$

b) $(-1, 1, -2, 0), (3, 3, 6, 0), (9, 0, 0, 3)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 6 & 0 \\ 9 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad -R_1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 6 & 0 \\ 9 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 - 3R_1 \\ R_3 - 9R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & -18 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \frac{1}{6}R_2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & -18 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_1 + R_2 \\ \\ R_3 - 9R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -18 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad -\frac{1}{18}R_3$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{6} \end{pmatrix} \quad R_1 - 2R_3$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{6} \end{pmatrix}$$

A basis for the subspace is $(1, 0, 0, 0)$, $(0, 1, 0, 0)$, $(0, 0, 1, -\frac{1}{6})$

Exercise

Determine whether the given vectors form a basis for the given vector space

a) $\vec{v}_1(3, -2, 1)$, $\vec{v}_2(2, 3, 1)$, $\vec{v}_3(2, 1, -3)$, in \mathbb{R}^3

b) $\vec{v}_1=(1, 1, 0, 0)$, $\vec{v}_2=(0, 1, 1, 0)$, $\vec{v}_3=(0, 0, 1, 1)$, $\vec{v}_4=(1, 0, 0, 1)$, for \mathbb{R}^4

c) $M_1=\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $M_2=\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $M_3=\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $M_4=\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ M_{22}

Solution

a) $\vec{v}_1(3, -2, 1)$, $\vec{v}_2(2, 3, 1)$, $\vec{v}_3(2, 1, -3)$, in \mathbb{R}^3

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = 14 \neq 0$$

The given vectors are linearly independent and span \mathbb{R}^3 , so they form a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

b) $\vec{v}_1=(1, 1, 0, 0)$, $\vec{v}_2=(0, 1, 1, 0)$, $\vec{v}_3=(0, 0, 1, 1)$, $\vec{v}_4=(1, 0, 0, 1)$, for \mathbb{R}^4

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \neq 0$$

The given vectors are linearly independent and span \mathbb{R}^4 , so they form a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 .

$$c) \quad M_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad M_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad M_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad M_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad M_{22}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \neq 0$$

They form a basis for M_{22} .

Exercise

Find a basis for, and the dimension of, the null space of the given matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 - 2R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad 4R_1 + R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 & -4 & 3 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{8}R_1 \\ -\frac{1}{4}R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{8} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -\frac{1}{2}x_3 - \frac{3}{8}x_4 \\ x_2 = -\frac{1}{4}x_4 \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{8} \\ \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{The bases are: } \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{8} \\ \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Dimension: 2

Exercise

Let \mathbb{R} be the set of all real numbers and let \mathbb{R}^+ be the set of all positive real numbers. Show that \mathbb{R}^+ is a vector space over \mathbb{R} under the addition

$$\alpha \oplus \beta = \alpha\beta \quad \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

And the scalar multiplication

$$a \odot \alpha = \alpha^a \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+, a \in \mathbb{R}$$

Find the dimension of the vector space. Is \mathbb{R}^+ also a vector space if the scalar multiplication is instead defined as

$$a \otimes \alpha = a^\alpha \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+, a \in \mathbb{R}?$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} ab \odot \alpha &= \alpha^{ab} & \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+, a, b \in \mathbb{R} \\ &= (\alpha^b)^a \\ &= a \odot (\alpha^b) \\ &= a \odot (b \odot \alpha) \end{aligned}$$

Since for $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$, then

$$\alpha = (\log \alpha) \odot 10$$

Thus $\{10\}$ is a basis, therefore the dimension of the vector space is **1**.

\mathbb{R}^+ is not a vector space over \mathbb{R} with respect to \otimes .

Since,

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \otimes (1 \oplus 1) &= 2 \otimes ((1)(1)) \\ &= 2 \otimes 1 \\ &= 2^1 \\ &= \underline{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2 \otimes 1) \oplus (2 \otimes 1) &= (2^1) \oplus (2^1) \\ &= 2 \oplus 2 \\ &= (2)(2) \\ &= \underline{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$2 \neq 4$$

$$2 \otimes (1 \oplus 1) \neq (2 \otimes 1) \oplus (2 \otimes 1)$$