

We are nearly experts at typing by now. Though you are not required to type your homework, it's strongly encouraged. You can even download the `tex` file for this homework and type your answers below each problem. Using the `\begin{quote}` and `\end{quote}` environment will indent anything you type inbetween. Perfect for typing answers!

1. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times n$  invertible matrices and let  $X = AB$ . Does  $X^{-1} = A^{-1}B^{-1}$  or does  $X^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$  or neither? Explain.
2. For each of the following sets, determine whether or not it is a subspace. Explain your answer.
  - (a)  $A = \left\{ \vec{x} : \vec{x} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \right\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$
  - (b)  $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  is the  $x$ -axis.
  - (c)  $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  is the plane given in vector form as  $\vec{x} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (d)  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  is the plane with normal vector  $\vec{n} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  passing through the point  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (e)  $E = \{(x, y) : y = 3x + 4\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ .
  - (f)  $F = \text{span}\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  where  $\vec{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (g)  $G \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4$  is the set of all solutions to the matrix equation  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (h)  $H = \{(x, y) : xy = 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ .
3. For every set in problem 1 that is a vector space, find a basis.
4. For every set in problem 1 that is a vector space, find its dimension.
5. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given in vector form by  $\vec{x} = t\vec{d}_1 + s\vec{d}_2 + \vec{p}$  for unknown vectors  $\vec{d}_1, \vec{d}_2, \vec{p}$ .
  - (a) Show that  $\mathcal{P}$  is a subspace if and only if  $\vec{p} = \vec{0}$ . That is, show that if  $\vec{p} = \vec{0}$ , then  $\mathcal{P}$  is a subspace, and if  $\vec{p} \neq \vec{0}$ , then  $\mathcal{P}$  is not a subspace.
  - (b) Suppose that  $\vec{d}_1$  and  $\vec{d}_2$  were accidentally chosen to be linearly dependent. Is it still the case that  $\mathcal{P}$  is a subspace exactly when  $\vec{p} = \vec{0}$ , or is the outcome different now?
6. Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be the subspace spanned by  $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_5 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 4 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (a) Find a basis for  $\mathcal{V}$  and call your basis vectors  $\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2$ , etc.
  - (b) Describe  $\mathcal{V}$  geometrically.
  - (c) Let  $V = [\vec{v}_1 | \vec{v}_2 | \vec{v}_3 | \vec{v}_4 | \vec{v}_5]$  be the matrix whose columns are the vectors  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4, \vec{v}_5$ , let  $B = [\vec{b}_1 | \vec{b}_2 | \dots]$  be the matrix whose columns are your basis vectors from part (a), and let  $\vec{v} \in \mathcal{V}$ .  
 Without computing, how many solutions does the equation  $V\vec{x} = \vec{v}$  have? How about  $B\vec{x} = \vec{v}$ ?
7. Suppose  $A$  is an invertible matrix and  $\vec{c}_1, \vec{c}_2, \dots, \vec{c}_n$  are its columns. Is  $\{\vec{c}_1, \vec{c}_2, \dots, \vec{c}_n\}$  a basis? Describe  $\text{span}\{\vec{c}_1, \vec{c}_2, \dots, \vec{c}_n\}$ . Explain your reasoning.