## Dimension problems

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For auto-graded problems, edit the file Dimension\_problems.py to include your solution. For the next two problems, use the Exchange Lemma iteratively to transform a set  $S = \{w_0, w_1, w_2\}$  into a set  $B = \{v_0, v_1, v_2\}$ . In each step, one vector of B is injected, and one vector of S is ejected. Be careful to ensure that the ejection does not change the set of vectors spanned.

You might find the following table useful in keeping track of the iterations.

	$S_i$	A	$oldsymbol{v}$ to inject	$oldsymbol{w}$ to eject
i = 0	$\{ m{w}_0, m{w}_1, m{w}_2 \}$	Ø		
i = 1				
i=2				
i = 3	$\{v_0, v_1, v_2\}$	$\{m{v}_0, m{v}_1, m{v}_2\}$	-	

You are to specify the list of vectors comprising  $S_1$  (after one iteration) and  $S_2$  (after two iterations) in the process of transforming from  $\{w_0, w_1, w_2\}$  to  $\{v_0, v_1, v_2\}$ .

## **Problem 1:** Vectors over $\mathbb{R}$ :

$$egin{aligned} m{w}_0 &= [1,0,0] & m{v}_0 &= [1,2,3] \ m{w}_1 &= [0,1,0] & m{v}_1 &= [1,3,3] \ m{w}_2 &= [0,0,1] & m{v}_2 &= [0,3,3] \end{aligned}$$

## **Problem 2:** Vectors over GF(2):

$$egin{aligned} m{w}_0 &= [0, one, 0] & m{v}_0 &= [one, 0, one] \ m{w}_1 &= [0, 0, one] & m{v}_1 &= [one, 0, 0] \ m{w}_2 &= [one, one, one] & m{v}_2 &= [one, one, 0] \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3: In this problem, you will write a procedure to achieve the following goal:

- input: a list S of vectors, and a list B of linearly independent vectors such that Span  $S = \operatorname{Span} B$
- ullet output: a list T of vectors that includes B and possibly some vectors of S such that
  - |T| = |S|, and
  - Span T =Span S

This is not useful in its own sake, and indeed there is a trivial implementation in which T is defined to consist of the vectors in B together with enough vectors of S to make |T|=|S|. The point of writing this procedure is to illustrate your understanding of the proof of the Morphing Lemma. The procedure should therefore mimic that proof: T should be obtained step by step from S by, in each iteration, injecting a vector of B and

ejecting a vector of S-B using the Exchange Lemma. The procedure must return the list of pairs (injected vector, ejected vector) used in morphing S into T.

The procedure is to be called morph(S, B). The spec is as follows:

- ullet input: a list S of distinct vectors, and a list B of linearly independent vectors all belonging to Span S and none belonging to S
- ullet output: a k-element list  $[(m{z}_1, m{w}_1), (m{z}_2, m{v}_2), \dots, (m{z}_k, m{w}_k)]$  of pairs of vectors such that, for  $i=1,2,\dots,k$ ,

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\mathsf{Span}\ S = \mathsf{Span}\ (S \cup \{\boldsymbol{z}_1, \boldsymbol{z}_2, \dots, \boldsymbol{z}_i\} - \{\boldsymbol{w}_1, \boldsymbol{w}_2, \dots, \boldsymbol{w}_i\})
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where  $B = [z_1, z_2, ..., z_k]$ .

This procedure uses a loop. You can use the procedure exchange(S, A, z) or the procedure vec2rep(veclist, u) or the solver module.

Here is an illustration of how the procedure is used.

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>>> S = [list2vec(v) \text{ for } v \text{ in } [[2,4,0],[1,0,3],[0,4,4],[1,1,1]]]
>>> B = [list2vec(v) for v in [[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[0,0,1]]]
>>> for (z,w) in morph(S, B):
... print("injecting ", z)
... print("ejecting ", w)
... print()
injecting
0 1 2
1 0 0
ejecting
0 1 2
 2 4 0
injecting
0 1 2
0 1 0
ejecting
0 1 2
1 0 3
injecting
0 1 2
0 0 1
ejecting
0 1 2
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0 4 4
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Test your procedure with the above example. Your results need not exactly match the results above.

**Problem 4:** For each of the following matrices, (a) give a basis for the row space (b) give a basis for the column space, and (c) verify that the row rank equals the column rank. Justify your answers.

$$1. \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

3. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 5: Write and test a procedure subset\_basis(T) with the following spec:

- $\bullet$  input: a set T of vectors
- ullet output: a set S consisting of vectors of T such that S is a basis for the span of T.

Your procedure should be based on either a version of the Grow algorithm or a version of the Shrink algorithm. Think about each one to see which is easier for you. You will need a loop or comprehension for this procedure. You can use as a subroutine any one of the following:

- the procedure is\_superfluous(S, v) from The\_Basis\_problems, or
- the procedure is\_independent(S) from The\_Basis\_problems or from the module independence we provide, or
- the procedure solve(A,b) from the solver module.

*Disclaimer:* The algorithm you are intended to use here is pedagogically motivated. It is intended to illustrate and illuminate our proof of the Subset-Basis Lemma. Ideas discussed later give rise to better algorithms for this computational problem.

Problem 6: Write and test a procedure superset\_basis(C, T) with the following spec:

- input: a linearly independent set C of vectors, and a set T of vectors whose span contains all vectors in C.
- output: a linearly independent set S consisting of all vectors in C and some from T such that the span of S equals the span of T (i.e. S is a basis for the span of T).

Your procedure should be based on either a version of the Grow algorithm or a version of the Shrink algorithm. Think about each one to see which is easier for you. You will need a loop or comprehension for this procedure. You can use as a subroutine any one of the following:

• the procedure is\_superfluous(S, v) from The\_Basis\_problems, or

- the procedure is\_independent(S) from The\_Basis\_problems, or from the module independence we provide, or
- the procedure solve(A,b) from the solver module.

*Disclaimer:* The algorithm you are intended to use here is pedagogically motivated. It is intended to illustrate and illuminate our proof of the Superset-Basis Lemma. Ideas discussed later give rise to better algorithms for this computational problem.

**Problem 7:** In this problem you will again write an independence-testing procedure. Write and test a procedure my\_is\_independent(L) with the following spec:

- $\bullet$  input: a list L of vectors
- output: True if the vectors form a linearly independent list.

Vectors are represented as instances of Vec. We have provided a module independence that provides a procedure rank(L). You should use this procedure to write my\_is\_independent(L). No loop or comprehension is needed. This is a very simple procedure.

Problem 8: Write and test a procedure my\_rank(L) with the following spec:

- input: a list L of Vecs
- *output:* The rank of *L*

You can use the procedure subset\_basis(T) from Problem 5, in which case no loop is needed. Alternatively, you can use the procedure is\_independent(L) from the module independence we provide; in this case, the procedure requires a loop.

**Ungraded problem:** Each of the following subproblems specifies two subspaces  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathcal{V}$  of a vector space. For each subproblem, check whether  $\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{V} = \{0\}$ .

- 1. Subspaces of  $GF(2)^4$ : let  $\mathcal{U} = \text{Span } \{1010,0010\}$  and let  $\mathcal{V} = \text{Span } \{0101,0001\}$ .
- 2. Subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ : let  $\mathcal{U} = \text{Span } \{[1,2,3],[1,2,0]\}$  and let  $\mathcal{V} = \text{Span } \{[2,1,3],[2,1,3]\}$ .
- 3. Subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ : let  $\mathcal{U} = \text{Span } \{[2,0,8,0],[1,1,4,0]\}$  and let  $\mathcal{V} = \text{Span } \{[2,1,1,1],[0,1,1,1]\}$

**Problem 9:** Write and test a procedure direct\_sum\_decompose(U\_basis, V\_basis, w) with the following spec:

- input: A list  $U\_basis$  containing a basis for a vector space  $\mathcal{U}$ , a list  $V\_basis$  containing a basis for a vector space  $\mathcal{V}$ , and a vector  $\mathbf{w}$  that belongs to the direct sum  $\mathcal{U} \oplus \mathcal{V}$
- output: a pair (u, v) such that w = u + v and u belongs to  $\mathcal{U}$  and v belongs to  $\mathcal{V}$ .

All vectors are represented as instances of Vec. Your procedure should use the fact that a basis of  $\mathcal U$  joined with a basis of  $\mathcal V$  is a basis for  $\mathcal U \oplus \mathcal V$ . It should use the solver module or the procedure vec2rep(veclist, u) from The\_Basis\_problems.

**Problem 10:** Write and test a procedure is\_invertible(M) with the following spec:

- input: an instance M of Mat
- output: True if M is an invertible matrix, False otherwise.

Your procedure should not use any loops or comprehensions. It can use procedures from the matutil module and from the independence module.

## Problem 11: Write a procedure find\_matrix\_inverse(A) with the following spec:

- input: an invertible matrix A over GF(2) (represented as a Mat)
- *output*: the inverse of A (also represented as a Mat)

Note that the input and output matrices are over GF(2).

Your procedure should use as a subroutine the solve procedure of the solver module. Since we are using GF(2), you need not worry about rounding errors. Your procedure should be based on the following result:

Suppose A and B are square matrices such that AB is the identity matrix. Then A and B are inverses of each other.

In particular, your procedure should try to find a square matrix B such that AB is an identity matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} & & & \\ & A & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} & & & \\ & B & & \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

To do this, consider B and the identity matrix as consisting of columns.

$$egin{bmatrix} A & & igg| egin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{b}_1 & \cdots & oldsymbol{b}_n \ \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \ & \cdots & & \ & & & \ \end{bmatrix}$$

Using the matrix-vector definition of matrix-matrix multiplication, you can interpret this matrix-matrix equation as a collection of n matrix-vector equations: one for  $b_1$ , ..., one for  $b_n$ . By solving these equations, you can thus obtain the columns of B.

Remember: If A is an  $R \times C$  matrix then AB must be an  $R \times R$  matrix so the inverse B must be a  $C \times R$  matrix.

**Problem 12:** You will write a procedure for finding the inverse of an upper-triangular matrix. find\_triangular\_matrix\_inverse(A)

• input: an instance M of Mat representing an upper triangular matrix with nonzero diagonal elements. You can assume that the row-label set and column-label set are of the form  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$ .

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 $\bullet$   $\it output:$  a Mat representing the inverse of M

This procedure should use triangular\_solve which is defined in the module triangular. It can also use the procedures in matutil, but that's all.