

Homework sheet 3: REAL VECTOR SPACES

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1. Let W be the set of all vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 of the form $\begin{bmatrix} s + 3t \\ s - t \\ 2s - t \\ 4t \end{bmatrix}$, where $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Show that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 .

2. Let W be the set of all vectors of the form shown, where a, b and c represent arbitrary real numbers. In each case, either find a set S of vectors that spans W or give an example to show that W is not a vector space.

$$\text{a) } \begin{bmatrix} -a + 1 \\ a - 6b \\ 2b + a \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{b) } \begin{bmatrix} 4a + 3b \\ 0 \\ a + b + c \\ c - 2a \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Let W be the union of the first and third quadrants in the xy -plane. That is, let $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : xy \geq 0 \right\}$. If $u \in W$ and α is any scalar, is αu in W ? Why? Find specific vectors u, v in W such that $u + v$ is not in W . This is enough to show that W is not a vector space.

4. Show that the given set W is a vector space or find a specific example to the contrary.

$$\text{a) } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} : \begin{array}{l} a + 3b = c \\ b + c + a = d \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{b) } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} b - 5d \\ 2b \\ 2d + 1 \\ d \end{bmatrix} : b, d \text{ reales} \right\}$$

5. Let \mathbb{P}_n be the set of all polynomials of degree less or equal to n . Determine if the following subsets of \mathbb{P}_n are subspaces or not.

a) The set of all polynomials of the form $p(t) = at^2$, where $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

b) The set of all polynomials of the form $p(t) = a + t^2$, where $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

6. Determine if the set H of all matrices of the form $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$ is a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$, where $a, b, d \in \mathbb{R}$.

7. Let $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

a) Is \mathbf{w} in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$? How many vectors are in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$?

b) How many vectors are in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$?

c) Is \mathbf{w} in the subspace spanned by $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$? Why?

d) Is $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 14 \end{pmatrix}$ in the subspace spanned by $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$?

8. Determine if $w = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ is in $\text{Nul } A$, where $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 21 & 19 \\ 13 & 23 & 2 \\ 8 & 14 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

9. Find an explicit expression, in terms of the generating vectors, of the null space of the following matrices:

(a) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -6 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & -4 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

10. Find $\text{Nul } A$ for the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & 1 & 4 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 1 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$.

11. Assume that $A \sim B$, use this information to find $\text{Nul } A$ and $\text{Col } A$.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -5 & 11 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & -5 & 15 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 19 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & -7 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

12. Find the matrix A such that $\text{Col } A = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} b-c \\ 2b+c+d \\ 5c-4d \\ d \end{pmatrix} \mid b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$.

13. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 12 \\ -3 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Determine if \mathbf{w} is in $\text{Col } A$ and also in $\text{Nul } A$.

14. Determine if the following transformations are linear or not:

a) $T(x_1, x_2) = (4x_1 - 2x_2, 3|x_2|)$.

- b) $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_2, 0, x_1 + x_2, 0)$.
- c) $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_2, 1, x_1 + x_2, 0)$.
- d) $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_3, x_2)$.
- e) $T(x_1, x_2) = x_1x_2$.
- f) $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1 + x_2 + x_3$.

15. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a linear transformation defined by $T(x) = Ax$ where $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Find the images under T of $u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$.
16. Let A be a 6×5 matrix. What must be a and b in order to define $T: \mathbb{R}^a \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^b$ by $T(x) = Ax$?
17. How many rows and columns must a matrix A have in order to define a mapping T from \mathbb{R}^5 into \mathbb{R}^7 by the rule $T(x) = Ax$?
18. Let T be a linear transformation given by $T(x) = Ax$. Find x whose image under T is b , where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 9 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

19. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -7 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- a) Find all the vectors $x \in \mathbb{R}^4$ such that are mapped to zero under the transformation $x \rightarrow Ax$
 - b) Is b in the range of the linear transformation defined by A ?
20. Use a rectangular coordinate system to plot

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and their images under the given transformation T defined by the rule $T(x) = Ax$. Describe geometrically what T does to each vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

21. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a linear transformation that maps $u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ into $\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ into $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$. Use the fact that T is linear to find the images under T of $3u$, $-2v$ and $3u - 2v$.

22. Consider the linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined by $T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

- Find the matrix associated with that transformation and provide the analytical expression of T .
- Compute $T \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$.
- Compute $T^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$.
- Is T injective? Is it onto?

23. Determine whether the following set of vectors are bases for \mathbb{R}^3 . Of the sets that are not bases, determine which ones are linearly independent and which ones span \mathbb{R}^3 . Justify your answers.

- $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.
- $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$.
- $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

24. Find a basis for the null spaces of the following matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -8 & 0 & 16 \end{pmatrix}$.

25. Find a basis for $\text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_5\}$ if

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad v_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad v_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

26. Decide if the following vectors are linearly independent:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

27. Decide if the columns in the following matrix are linearly independent:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 4 \\ -1 & 2 & 8 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

28. Let

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 9 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -6 \\ h \end{bmatrix}.$$

For what values of h

- a) $v_3 \in \text{Span}[v_1, v_2]$?
- b) v_1, v_2 and v_3 are linearly independent?

29. Find a basis for the set of vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 in the line $y = 5x$.

30. Let $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -2 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ -6 \\ -14 \end{pmatrix}$. It can be verified that $2\mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2 - \mathbf{v}_3 =$

0. Use this information to find a basis for $H = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$. (Remark: The solution is not unique).

31. Fill in the blank space in the following sentence: "If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, then the columns of A are linearly independent if and only if A has _____ pivot columns".

32. Find a basis and the dimension of the following subspaces:

$$a) \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 3a + 6b - c \\ 6a - 2b - 2c \\ -9a + 5b + 3c \\ -3a + b + c \end{pmatrix} : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

$$b) \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2a \\ -4b \\ -2a \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

$$c) \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} p+2q \\ -p \\ 3p-q \\ p+q \end{pmatrix} : p, q \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

$$d) \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} : a - 3b + c = 0, b - 2c = 0, 2b - c = 0 \right\}.$$

$$e) \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix} : a - 3b + c = 0 \right\}.$$

33. Find the dimension of the subspace spanned by the vectors:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

34. Determine the dimension of the subspaces Nul A and Col A in the following cases:

$$a) A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -4 & 3 & -2 & 6 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$b) A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$c) A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

35. Assume that the matrices A and B are row equivalent. Without additional computations determine the rank of A , the dimension of $\ker A$. Find a basis of Col A and $\ker A$.

$$a) A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 & 6 & 0 & -3 \\ 3 & 9 & 3 & 6 & -3 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 & 9 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$b) A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 & 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 1 & -3 & 6 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -13 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

36. If a 7×5 matrix A has rank 2, find the dimension of Nul A and the rank of A^T .

37. Assume that a 6×8 matrix A has 4 pivots. What is the dimension of $\text{Nul } A$? Is $\text{Col } A = \mathbb{R}^4$? Justify your answers.
38. If the null space of a 8×7 matrix A has dimension 5, what is the dimension of the column space of A ?
39. Let A be a 7×5 matrix. What is the largest possible rank of A ? And if A is a 5×7 matrix? Justify your answers.
40. Let A be a 7×5 matrix. What is the smallest possible dimension of the null space of A ?
41. Assume that a nonhomogeneous system $Ax = b$ with 6 equations and 8 unknowns has 2 free variables. Is it possible to change some of the values in the column vector b so that the system is inconsistent?
42. Let A be a $m \times n$ matrix and $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$. What are the relative rank values of the matrices A and $(A \ b)$ so that the system $Ax = b$ is consistent? (*Rouché-Frobenius' Theorem*).
43. Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$ and $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2\}$ be bases for a vector space V and suppose $b_1 = -2c_1 + 4c_2$, $b_2 = 3c_1 - 6c_2$. Find the change-of-basis matrix from \mathcal{B} to \mathcal{C} . Find $[x]_{\mathcal{C}}$ for $x = 2b_1 + 3b_2$.
44. Let $\mathcal{A} = \{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$ and $\mathcal{D} = \{d_1, d_2, d_3\}$ be bases for a vector space V and suppose $P = [[d_1]_{\mathcal{A}} \ [d_2]_{\mathcal{A}} \ [d_3]_{\mathcal{A}}]$. Which of the following equations is satisfied by P for all $x \in V$?
- (a) $[x]_{\mathcal{A}} = P[x]_{\mathcal{D}}$ (b) $[x]_{\mathcal{D}} = P[x]_{\mathcal{A}}$
45. Let $\mathcal{D} = \{d_1, d_2, d_3\}$ and $\mathcal{F} = \{f_1, f_2, f_3\}$ be bases for a vector space V and suppose $f_1 = 2d_1 - d_2 + d_3$, $f_2 = 3d_2 + d_3$, $f_3 = -3d_1 + 2d_3$. Find the change-of-basis matrix from \mathcal{F} to \mathcal{D} . Find $[x]_{\mathcal{D}}$ for $x = f_1 - 2f_2 + 2f_3$.
46. Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$ and $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2\}$ be bases for \mathbb{R}^2 . Find the change-of-basis matrix from \mathcal{B} to \mathcal{C} and from \mathcal{C} to \mathcal{B} if
- a) $b_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$, $b_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}$, $c_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $c_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.
- b) $b_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix}$, $b_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $c_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $c_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$.
47. Find the coordinate vectors $[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$ of x in the basis $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ in the following cases:
- a) $b_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$, $b_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$, $x = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$b) \quad b_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

48. Find the change-of-basis matrix, $P_{\mathcal{B}_c, \mathcal{B}}$ from bases \mathcal{B} to the standard bases \mathcal{B}_c of \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 respectively:

$$(a) \quad \mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \quad (b) \quad \mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -2 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

49. The vectors $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$, $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$, $v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$ span \mathbb{R}^2 , but do not form a basis. Find two different ways to express vector $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ as a linear combination of v_1 , v_2 and v_3 .

Additional exercises: D. C. Lay “Linear algebra and its applications”, 2012.

- **Sections 4.1-4.2**
- **Sections 1.8-1.9.**
- **Sections 4.3-4.7.**