

HOMEWORK 6

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Bibliography: Lesson09.pdf Lesson10.pdf. The first exercise in each problem set is solved for you to use as a model.

1. Consider $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathcal{S} = \mathbb{R}$. Determine whether the column vectors of $\mathbf{A}$ form a basis for $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Ex 1. $n = 3$,

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

Solution. Reduce $\mathbf{A}$ to row-echelon form

$$\mathbf{A} \sim \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since the row-echelon form does not contain a row of zeros, the columns of $\mathbf{A}$ form a basis for $\mathbb{R}^3$.
Check in Maxima

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(%i1) A: matrix([-1, 1, 1],[2, 0, 1],[1, 1, 1]);
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(%o1)  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 
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(%i2) echelon(A);
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(%o2)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 
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(%i3)
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Note: multiple row-echelon forms are possible (differing by, say, permutation of rows), but the same conclusion on the independence is reached, i.e., no zero rows implies linear independence.

Ex 2. $n = 3$,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Ex 3. $n = 4$,

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

Ex 4. $n = 4$,

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

2. Determine whether the following column vectors of $\mathbf{B}$ form a basis for $(\mathcal{V}, +, \mathbb{R}, \cdot)$

Ex 1. $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2x^2 + x + 2 & -x^2 + x \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{P}_2$

Solution. Consider an arbitrary $\mathbf{p} \in \mathcal{V} = \mathcal{P}_2$

$$\mathbf{p}(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2,$$

and check if $\mathbf{p}$ can be expressed as a linear combination of the basis vectors, $\mathbf{B} =$, i.e., there exists $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ such that $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{p}$

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1(x) & \mathbf{b}_2(x) & \mathbf{b}_3(x) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = c_1\mathbf{b}_1(x) + c_2\mathbf{b}_2(x) + c_3\mathbf{b}_3(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 = \mathbf{p}(x).$$

Identify powers of x

$$c_1\mathbf{b}_1(x) + c_2\mathbf{b}_2(x) + c_3\mathbf{b}_3(x) = c_1 + c_2(2x^2 + x + 2) + c_3(-x^2 + x) = (c_1 + 2c_2) \cdot 1 + (c_1 + c_2) \cdot x + (2c_2 - c_3) \cdot x^2$$

to obtain system $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

Reduce matrix $\mathbf{M}$ to row-echelon form.

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since the row-echelon form of $\mathbf{M}$ does not have any zero rows, a unique solution of $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a}$ is found, and $\mathbf{B}$ is a basis for $\mathcal{P}_3$. Check in Maxima

(%i3) `M: matrix([1, 2, 0],[1, 1, 0],[0, 2, -1]);`

(%o3) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

(%i4) `echelon(M);`

(%o4) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(%i5)

Ex 2. $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ the space of real-valued two-by-two matrices,

$$\mathbf{B} = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

Ex 3. $\mathcal{V}$ is the set of symmetric matrices, $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{V} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{A}$.

$$\mathbf{B} = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

3. Find a basis for the subspace $\mathcal{S}$ of vector space $\mathcal{V}$. Specify the dimension of $\mathcal{S}$.

Ex 1.

$$\mathcal{S} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} s+2t \\ -s+t \\ t \end{pmatrix} \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, \mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^3$$

Solution. Recognize that the specification of $\mathcal{S}$ gives a linear combination with scalar coefficients s, t , and rewrite

$$\begin{pmatrix} s+2t \\ -s+t \\ t \end{pmatrix} = s \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Construct

$$\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1 \ \mathbf{b}_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Check if columns of $\mathbf{B}$ are linearly independent,

$$s\mathbf{b}_1 + t\mathbf{b}_2 = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} s+2t \\ -s+t \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and since $s=t=0$ is the only solution, columns of $\mathbf{B}$ are linearly independent and span the subspace, hence are a basis for $\mathcal{S}$.

Ex 2.

$$\mathcal{S} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & a+d \\ a+d & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, \mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

Ex 3. $\mathcal{S}$ is the space of skew-symmetric matrices ($\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^T = -\mathbf{A}$), $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$

Ex 4. $\mathcal{S} = \{p(x) \mid p(0) = 0\}$, $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{P}_2$.

Ex 5. $\mathcal{S} = \{p(x) \mid p(0) = 0, p(1) = 0\}$, $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{P}_3$.

4. Find the coordinates of the vector $\mathbf{v}$ in the basis $\mathbf{B}$.

Ex 1.

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^2$$

Solution. If $\mathbf{B}$ is a basis for $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^2$, then the vector $\mathbf{v}$ can be expressed as a linear combination of the basis vectors and that scalar coefficients are the coordinates of $\mathbf{v}$ in basis $\mathbf{B}$

$$\mathbf{v} = x_1\mathbf{b}_1 + x_2\mathbf{b}_2 = \mathbf{B} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{Solve} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

to find the coordinates $x_1 = 2$, $x_2 = -1$. Check in Maxima.

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(%i5) B:matrix([3,-2],[1,2]);
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(%o5)  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ 
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(%i6) v:matrix([8],[0]);
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(%o6)  $\begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ 
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(%i7) linsolve_by_lu(B,v);
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0 errors, 0 warnings

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(%o7)  $\left[ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{false} \right]$ 
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(%i8) x: first(%);
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(%o8)  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ 
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(%i9) B.x
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(%o9)  $\begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ 
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(%i10)
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Ex 2.

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^2$$

Ex 3.

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^3$$

Ex 4.

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^3$$

Ex 5.

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x-1 & x^2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = -2x^2 + 2x + 3, \mathcal{V} = \mathcal{P}_2$$