

Question 1: Determine whether $S = \{4 + 6x + x^2, -1 + 4x + 2x^2, 5 + 2x - x^2\}$ is a basis for P_2 .

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & -1 & 5 \\ 6 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 4(-4-4) - (-1)(-6-2) + 5(12-4)$$

$$= -32 - 8 + 40$$

$$= 0$$

$\therefore S$ is not a basis for P_2 .

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Question 2: Find a basis and state the dimension of the subspace V of P_2 consisting of all polynomials $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$ for which $p(0) = 0$.

If $p(0) = 0$ then x is a factor of $p(x)$,

so $p(x)$ has form $a_1x + a_2x^2$.

$p_1(x) = x$, $p_2(x) = x^2$ are two such polynomials.

$\therefore \text{Span}\{x, x^2\} = V$, and since $\{x, x^2\}$ is a linearly independent set (neither vector is a scalar multiple of the other), $\{x, x^2\}$ is a basis.

$\therefore V$ has dimension 2 and basis $\{x, x^2\}$.

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Question 3: Let $\mathbf{u}_1 = (2, -6)$, $\mathbf{u}_2 = (3, 8)$, $\mathbf{w} = (2, 2)$ and $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$. Find $(\mathbf{w})_S$. (Recall, $(\mathbf{w})_S$ is the coordinate vector for \mathbf{w} relative to the basis S .)

$$(\mathbf{w})_S = (a, b) \quad \text{where} \quad a\vec{u}_1 + b\vec{u}_2 = \vec{w}.$$

$$\therefore \text{ solve } \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{34} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 \\ 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{10}{34} \\ \frac{16}{34} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5}{17} \\ \frac{8}{17} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore (\mathbf{w})_S = \left(\frac{5}{17}, \frac{8}{17} \right).$$

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Question 4: Find a basis and state the dimension for the solution space of the linear homogeneous system

$$2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 + x_4 = 0$$

$$x_1 + 5x_3 + x_4 = 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$r_1 \leftrightarrow r_2: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 = (-2)r_1 + r_2:$$

$$R_3 = (-1)r_1 + r_3:$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 = (-1)r_2 + r_3:$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Letting } x_3 = r, \quad x_4 = t:$$

$$x_1 = -5r - t, \quad x_2 = 7r + t$$

\therefore solution is

$$(-5r - t, 7r + t, r, t) = r(-5, 7, 1, 0) + t(-1, 1, 0, 1)$$

\therefore Basis for solution space is

$$\{(-5, 7, 1, 0), (-1, 1, 0, 1)\}; \text{ dimension is } 2.$$

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Question 5: Determine if $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$ is in the column space of $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$, and if so, express \mathbf{b} as a linear combination of the columns of \mathbf{A} .

Solve (if possible) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ q \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} p \\ q \end{bmatrix} = \frac{-1}{18} \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -3 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore \vec{b} = (1) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + (-1) \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$ so is in the column space of \mathbf{A} .

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Question 6: Find a basis for the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by $\mathbf{v}_1 = (-1, 1, -2, 1)$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = (3, 3, 6, 1)$ and $\mathbf{v}_3 = (-9, -3, -18, 1)$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 6 & 1 \\ -9 & -3 & -18 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 = (2)r_2 + r_3: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 = (-1)r_1: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 3 & 6 & 1 \\ -9 & -3 & -18 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore basis is

$$\left\{ (1, -1, 2, -1), (0, 1, 0, 2/3) \right\}$$

$$R_2 = (-3)r_1 + r_2: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & -12 & 0 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 = (1/6)r_2: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2/3 \\ 0 & -12 & 0 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Question 7: The matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 6 & 1 & 0 & 8 \\ -1 & -2 & -2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ has RREF $\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) Give a basis and state the dimension of the row space of \mathbf{A} .

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

dimension 2.

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(b) Give a basis and state the dimension of the column space of \mathbf{A} .

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

dimension = 2.

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(c) Give a basis and state the dimension of the null space of \mathbf{A} . (Equivalently, give a basis and state the dimension of the solution space of $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$.)

Let $x_2 = r, x_4 = s, x_5 = t \Rightarrow x_3 = t, x_1 = -2r - 3t$

∴ solutions are $(-2r - 3t, r, t, s, t)$

$= r(-2, 1, 0, 0, 0) + s(0, 0, 0, 1, 0) + t(-3, 0, 1, 0, 1)$

∴ basis is $\{ (-2, 1, 0, 0, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1, 0), (-3, 0, 1, 0, 1) \}$,

dimension is 3.

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(d) Determine $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$ and $\text{nullity}(\mathbf{A})$.

$\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = 2, \text{nullity}(\mathbf{A}) = 3$

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(e) Determine $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}^T)$ and $\text{nullity}(\mathbf{A}^T)$.

$\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}^T) = 2, \text{nullity}(\mathbf{A}^T) = 2.$

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Question 8: Let the transformation T_1 represent reflection about the yz -plane:

$$T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} -a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix},$$

and T_2 be the transformation which rotates a vector in R^3 counter-clockwise about the z -axis by an angle θ .

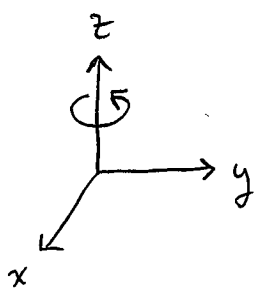
(a) Determine the standard matrix \mathbf{A} for the transformation T_1 .

$$T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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(b) Determine the standard matrix \mathbf{B} for the transformation T_2 .



$$T_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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(c) Determine the image of the vector $(1, 2, -1)$ if it is first reflected about the yz -plane and then rotated about the z -axis by $\pi/4$ (or 45° .)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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