

Question 1: Use the Wronskian to determine if $S = \{x, e^{-x}, xe^x\}$ is a linearly independent set on $(-\infty, \infty)$.

$$y_1 = x, y_1' = 1, y_1'' = 0$$

$$y_2 = e^{-x}, y_2' = -e^{-x}, y_2'' = e^{-x}$$

$$y_3 = xe^x, y_3' = e^x + xe^x, y_3'' = 2e^x + xe^x$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} x & e^{-x} & xe^x \\ 1 & -e^{-x} & e^x + xe^x \\ 0 & e^{-x} & 2e^x + xe^x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= x [(-2-x) - (1+x)] - [(2+x) - x]$$

$$= -2x^2 - 3x - 2$$

$$= -(2x^2 + 3x + 2)$$

$\neq 0$ on $(-\infty, \infty)$ since $b^2 - 4ac = 3^2 - 4(2)(2) < 0$
 $\therefore S$ is linearly independent.

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Question 2: Determine whether $S = \{(1, 0, 0, 0), (1, 1, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1, 0), (0, 1, 0, 1)\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 .

Since S contains 4 vectors and $\dim(\mathbb{R}^4) = 4$,
 S is a basis if and only if

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

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$$\cong 1 [(1)(1-0) - 0(1) + 1(0-1)]$$

$$= 0$$

$\therefore S$ is not a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 .

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Question 3: Let $p_1 = 1 + x$, $p_2 = 1 + x^2$ and $p_3 = x + x^2$. If $p = 2 - x + x^2$ and $S = \{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$ is a basis, find $(p)_S$. (Recall, $(p)_S$ is the coordinate vector for p relative to the basis S .)

$(\vec{p})_S = (a, b, c)$ where $a\vec{p}_1 + b\vec{p}_2 + c\vec{p}_3 = \vec{p}$, so solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$R_2 = (-1)r_1 + r_2$$

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

$$R_2 = (-1)r_2:$$

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

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

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

$$R_3 = \frac{1}{2}r_3:$$

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

$$\therefore c = 1$$

$$b = 3 + c = 2$$

$$a = 2 - b = 0$$

$$\therefore (p)_S = (0, 2, 1)$$

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Question 4: Find a basis and state the dimension of the row space of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & -2 \\ 4 & 3 & -1 \\ 6 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 = (-3)r_1 + r_2$$

$$R_3 = (-4)r_1 + r_3$$

$$R_4 = (-6)r_1 + r_4$$

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\therefore Basis is $\{(1, 1, 1), (0, 1, 5)\}$

dimension is 2.

$$R_2 = (-1)r_2 \quad \therefore \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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Question 5: Find a basis and state the dimension for the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 consisting of all vectors (a, b, c, d) where $b = a + c$ and $d = -2a + 3c$.

Subspace consists of all vectors of the

$$\text{form } \begin{bmatrix} a \\ a+c \\ c \\ -2a+3c \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore Basis is $\{(1, 1, 0, -2), (0, 1, 1, 3)\}$, dimension is 2.

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Question 6: Find a basis for the subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 spanned by $\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, -1, 3)$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = (5, -4, -4)$ and $\mathbf{v}_3 = (7, -6, 2)$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 5 & -4 & -4 \\ 7 & -6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore Basis is $\{(1, -1, 3), (0, 1, -19)\}$

$$R_2 = (5)r_1 + r_2:$$

$$R_3 = (-7)r_1 + r_3:$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -19 \\ 0 & 1 & -19 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -19 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Question 7: The matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ has REF $\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

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

$$\left\{ (1, 3, 1, 3), (0, 1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1) \right\}; \text{ dimension } 3.$$

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

$$\left\{ (1, 0, -3, 3, 2), (3, 1, 0, 4, 0), (3, 0, -1, 1, -2) \right\}; \text{ dimension } 3.$$

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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 $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$.)

$$\text{Let } x_3 = r, \text{ from } \mathbf{R}: x_4 = 0; x_2 = -x_3 = -r;$$

$$x_1 = -3x_4 - x_3 - 3x_2 = 2r$$

$$\therefore \text{ Solutions have form } \begin{bmatrix} 2r \\ -r \\ r \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ so}$$

$$\text{null space has basis } \left\{ (2, -1, 1, 0) \right\}; \text{ dimension is } 1. \quad [3]$$

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

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = 3, \text{ nullity}(\mathbf{A}) = 1$$

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

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

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Question 8: Let the transformation T_1 represent projection onto the xy -plane and T_2 be the transformation which rotates a vector in R^3 counter-clockwise about the y -axis by an angle θ .

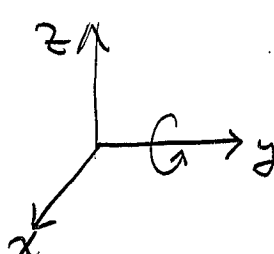
(a) Determine the standard matrix \mathbf{A} for the transformation T_1 .

$$T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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



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

$$T_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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(c) Determine the image of the line segment joining $(2, 1, 1)$ and $(1, 3, -1)$ if it is first rotated counter-clockwise about the y -axis by $\pi/3$ (or 60°) and then projected onto the xy -plane.

$$AB \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

\therefore image is line segment from $(\frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2}, 1, 0)$ to $(\frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{2}, 3, 0)$

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

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

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(d) Is applying the projection followed by the rotation the same as applying the rotation followed by the projection? Explain using matrices.

No. Using $\theta = \pi/3$ as above,

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ but } BA = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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So $AB \neq BA$.