

Linear Algebra

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Solutions

$$1. \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & k & 1 \\ -9 & 6k & 3 & -3 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{2} & k & 1 \\ 0 & 6k & 12 & 6 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{2} & k & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 12-3k^2 & 6-3k \end{array} \right]$$

no solution: $12-3k^2=0$ and $6-3k \neq 0$

so if $k=-2$

infinitely many solutions: $12-3k^2=0$ and $6-3k=0$

so if $k=2$

unique solution: $12-3k^2 \neq 0$

so if $k \neq \pm 2$

$$2a. B = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 3 & 6 & -3 \\ \textcircled{-1} & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & -5 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc} \textcircled{1} & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc} \textcircled{1} & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Not a pivot in every column:

the columns are linearly dependent.

$$\begin{cases} c_1 = 5c_3 \\ c_2 = -2c_3 \\ c_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$$

Choose c_3 : let $c_3 = 1$.

Dependence relation: $c_1 \underline{b}_1 + c_2 \underline{b}_2 + c_3 \underline{b}_3 = \underline{0}$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \underline{b}_1 - 2 \underline{b}_2 + \underline{b}_3 = \underline{0}$$

(or any nonzero multiple)

2b. $B \sim \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, pivot in columns/rows 1 and 2:

basis Col $B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \\ 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

basis Row $B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

Solve $B\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$: $\mathbf{x} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

basis Nul $B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= \begin{vmatrix} \textcolor{green}{1} & \textcolor{green}{1} & \textcolor{green}{-1} \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (4 - 3) - (-6 - 1) - (9 + 2) \\ &= 1 + 7 - 11 = -3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\det A_3(\mathbf{b}) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \textcolor{green}{0} \\ 3 & -2 & \textcolor{green}{3} \\ 1 & 3 & \textcolor{green}{0} \end{vmatrix} = -3 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -3(3 - 1) = -6$$

Cramer's rule: $z = \frac{\det A_3(\mathbf{b})}{\det A} = \frac{-6}{-3} = 2$.

4a. $AB = C \Rightarrow B = A^{-1}C$ (provided A^{-1} exists)

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} \begin{bmatrix} -5 & -2 \\ 7 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{-15+14} \begin{bmatrix} -5 & -2 \\ 7 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ -7 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ -7 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -7 \\ -13 & 16 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Or row reduce $[A | C]$.)

4b. A is 2×2 and invertible, so by the Invertible Matrices Theorem the columns of A form a basis of $\mathbb{R}^2$.

(or: A has a pivot in every row and every column)

4c. $\left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 5 & -7 & 3 & 2 \\ -13 & 16 & -7 & -5 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 5 & -7 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & -5 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right]$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & -5 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -11 & 4 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

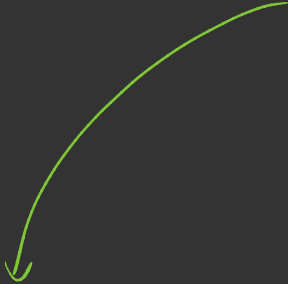
$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 1/11 & 3/11 \\ 0 & 1 & -4/11 & -1/11 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{= \begin{matrix} P \\ C \leftarrow A \end{matrix}}$$

4d. $\begin{matrix} P \\ C \leftarrow A \end{matrix} = B^{-1} \quad (B = \begin{matrix} P \\ A \leftarrow C \end{matrix})$

5a. True If the columns of A ($n \times n$) are linearly independent, then A is invertible (by the IMT). Then A^2 (the product of two invertible matrices) is invertible. So, the columns of A^2 span $\mathbb{R}^n$ (by the IMT).

5b. True

$$\begin{aligned}\det(BAB^{-1}) &= (\det B)(\det A)(\det B^{-1}) \\ &= (\det B)(\det B^{-1})(\det A) \\ &= \det(BB^{-1}A) \\ &= \det(IA) \\ &= \det A\end{aligned}$$


or: use $\det B^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det B}$

5c. False W is not closed under scalar multiplication:

Take $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \in W$, then $x \geq y$.

Let $c = -1$. Then $c \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x \\ -y \end{bmatrix}$,

but $-x \leq -y$, so $c \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \notin W$.

5d. True If T is onto, then $\dim \text{Col } A = 3$.

Since $\dim \text{Nul } A + \dim \text{Col } A = 5$
it follows that $\dim \text{Nul } A = 2$.

Therefore, $\dim \text{Ker } T = \dim \text{Nul } A = 2$.

Or: A is 3×5 and has a pivot in every row, so there are 2 free variables.

Therefore, $\dim \text{Ker } T = 2$.

6a. • If $a, b, c = 0$, then $a+b+c=0$, so $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in H$.

• Take $\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$ and $\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ in H .

Then $a+b+c=0$ and $x+y+z=0$.

It follows that $\underline{u} + \underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} a+x \\ b+y \\ c+z \end{bmatrix} \in H$,

since $(a+x) + (b+y) + (c+z) = (a+b+c) + (x+y+z) = 0$.

• Take $\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \in H$ and $k \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then $a+b+c=0$. It follows that

$k\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} ka \\ kb \\ kc \end{bmatrix} \in H$, since $ka+kb+kc = k(a+b+c) = 0$.

So, H is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^3$.

Or show H is a span of vectors:

$a+b+c=0$ implies $c=-a-b$, so

$$\mathcal{H} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : a+b+c=0 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ -a-b \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$= \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

6b. See explanation above.

So, a basis of $\mathcal{H}$ is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

6c. T is not onto, because the range of T is not equal to $\mathbb{P}_2$: only polynomials $p(t) = a + bt + ct^2$ with $a+b+c=0$ are in $\text{Range } T$.

$$\begin{aligned} 6d. \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ -a-b \end{bmatrix}\right) &= a + bt + (-a-b)t^2 \\ &= a(1-t^2) + b(t-t^2), \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R} \\ &= \text{Span} \{1-t^2, t-t^2\}. \end{aligned}$$