
PROBLEM SET

Problems on Span, Independence, and Matrix Spaces

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- Write all of your answers on separate sheets of paper. You can keep the question sheet.
- You **must** show enough work to justify your answers. Unless otherwise instructed, give exact answers, not approximations (e.g., $\sqrt{2}$, not 1.414).
- This problem set has 8 problems.

Good luck!

Problem 1. Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -15 & -80 & -145 & 22 & -181 \\ -89 & -19 & 51 & 50 & 132 \\ 66 & -62 & -190 & 78 & -96 \\ 77 & 81 & 85 & -8 & 150 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- A Find a basis of the nullspace of A .
 - B Find a basis of the row space of A .
 - C Find a basis of the column space of A . Write the other columns of A as linear combinations of these basis vectors.
 - D What is the rank of A ?
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Problem 2. Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 9 & 19 & 4 & 22 & -25 \\ 7 & 1 & -4 & 6 & 3 & 10 \\ 5 & 5 & 10 & 2 & 13 & -12 \\ 2 & 7 & 19 & 4 & 12 & -33 \\ 4 & 4 & 8 & 6 & 6 & -14 \\ 4 & 1 & -1 & 6 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- A Find a basis of the nullspace of A .
 - B Find a basis of the row space of A .
 - C Find a basis of the column space of A . Write the other columns of A as linear combinations of these basis vectors.
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Problem 3. Consider the vectors

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 12 \\ -1 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 14 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 8 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let $S = \text{span}(v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5)$, which is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 .

- Find a basis of S . What is the dimension of S ?
- Express the vectors in the list v_1, \dots, v_5 that are not part of the basis as linear combinations of the basis vectors.
- Consider the vectors

$$w_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 9 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad w_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 13 \\ 27 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Determine if these vectors are in S . If the vector is in S , express it as a linear combination of the basis vectors found above.

Problem 4. Consider the vectors

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 12 \\ -1 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 14 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 8 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let $S = \text{span}(v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5)$, which is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^5 .

- Find a basis of S . What is the dimension of S ?
- Express the vectors in the list v_1, \dots, v_5 that are not part of the basis as linear combinations of the basis vectors.

C. Consider the vectors

$$w_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 9 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad w_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 13 \\ 27 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine if these vectors are in S . If the vector is in S , express it as a linear combination of the basis vectors found above.

Problem 5. Determine if the following vectors are independent or dependent.

If they are independent, complete the list to a basis of \mathbb{R}^5 by adding on a standard basis vector. If the vectors are dependent, find a linear relation between them.

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ -10 \\ 24 \\ -9 \\ -11 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 8 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 6. Determine if the following vectors are independent or dependent.

If they are independent, complete the list to a basis of \mathbb{R}^5 by adding on a standard basis vector. If the vectors are dependent, find a linear

relation between them.

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -38 \\ 91 \\ -1 \\ 63 \\ -23 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -63 \\ -26 \\ 30 \\ 10 \\ 22 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 45 \\ -14 \\ 60 \\ -35 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -89 \\ -170 \\ 64 \\ 24 \\ 42 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 7. Consider the vectors

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 28 \\ 26 \\ 12 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$v_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Do these vectors span \mathbb{R}^4 ? If so, select a basis of \mathbb{R}^4 out of this list of vectors.

Problem 8. Consider the vectors

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -8 \\ -8 \\ -12 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 7 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$v_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 10 \\ 0 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_7 = \begin{bmatrix} 42 \\ 22 \\ 47 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Do these vectors span \mathbb{R}^4 ? If so, select a basis of \mathbb{R}^4 out of this list of vectors.
