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Show all appropriate work.

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1. Problems from the book: (Again, a scan of the problems are attached to the end of this pdf.)
  - (a) Section 3.1: 1, 3, 8, 9, 10, 17, 20, 23.
  - (b) Section 3.5: 2, 6, 13, 15, 17, 26, 32.
2. MATLAB problems:
  - (a) Given  $A = LU$ , write a MATLAB function that solves  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  using forward and backward substitution.
  - (b) 2.7.25 (You might want to come to office ours to work on this one.)

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function [L, U] = slu(A)
% Square LU factorization with no row exchanges!
[n, n] = size(A); tol = 1.e - 6;
for k = 1 : n
    if abs(A(k, k)) < tol
        end % Cannot proceed without a row exchange: stop
        L(k, k) = 1;
        for i = k + 1 : n
            L(i, k) = A(i, k)/A(k, k); % Multipliers for column k are put into L
            for j = k + 1 : n % Elimination beyond row k and column k
                A(i, j) = A(i, j) - L(i, k) * A(k, j); % Matrix still called A
            end
        end
    end
    for j = k : n
        U(k, j) = A(k, j); % row k is settled, now name it U
    end
end
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In MATLAB,  $A([r\ k], :) = A([k\ r], :)$  exchanges row  $k$  with row  $r$  below it (where the  $k$ th pivot has been found). Then the `lu` code updates  $L$  and  $P$  and the sign of  $P$ :

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{This is part of} \\ [L, U, P] = \text{lu}(A) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} A([r\ k], :) = A([k\ r], :); \\ L([r\ k], 1 : k - 1) = L([k\ r], 1 : k - 1); \\ P([r\ k], :) = P([k\ r], :); \\ \text{sign} = -\text{sign} \end{array}$$

The “**sign**” of  $P$  tells whether the number of row exchanges is even ( $\text{sign} = +1$ ). An odd number of row exchanges will produce  $\text{sign} = -1$ . At the start,  $P$  is  $I$  and  $\text{sign} = +1$ . When there is a row exchange, the sign is reversed. The final value of  $\text{sign}$  is the **determinant of  $P$**  and it does not depend on the order of the row exchanges.

For  $PA$  we get back to the familiar  $LU$ . This is the usual factorization. In reality,  $\text{lu}(A)$  often does not use the first available pivot. Mathematically we accept a small pivot—anything but zero. It is better if the computer looks down the column for the largest pivot. (Section 9.1 explains why this “**partial pivoting**” reduces the roundoff error.) Then  $P$  may contain row exchanges that are not algebraically necessary. Still  $PA = LU$ .

Our advice is to understand permutations but let the computer do the work. Calculations of  $A = LU$  are enough to do by hand, without  $P$ . The Teaching Code `splu(A)` factors  $PA = LU$  and `splv(A, b)` solves  $Ax = b$  for any invertible  $A$ . The program `splu` stops if no pivot can be found in column  $k$ . Then  $A$  is not invertible.

### ■ REVIEW OF THE KEY IDEAS ■

1. The transpose puts the rows of  $A$  into the columns of  $A^T$ . Then  $(A^T)_{ij} = A_{ji}$ .
2. The transpose of  $AB$  is  $B^T A^T$ . The transpose of  $A^{-1}$  is the inverse of  $A^T$ .
3. The dot product is  $x \cdot y = x^T y$ . Then  $(Ax)^T y$  equals the dot product  $x^T (A^T y)$ .
4. When  $A$  is symmetric ( $A^T = A$ ), its  $LDU$  factorization is symmetric:  $A = LDL^T$ .
5. A permutation matrix  $P$  has a 1 in each row and column, and  $P^T = P^{-1}$ .
6. There are  $n!$  permutation matrices of size  $n$ . *Half even, half odd.*
7. If  $A$  is invertible then a permutation  $P$  will reorder its rows for  $PA = LU$ .

Questions 22–24 are about the factorizations  $PA = LU$  and  $A = L_1 P_1 U_1$ .

- 22 Find the  $PA = LU$  factorizations (and check them) for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 23 Find a 4 by 4 permutation matrix (call it  $A$ ) that needs 3 row exchanges to reach the end of elimination. For this matrix, what are its factors  $P$ ,  $L$ , and  $U$ ?
- 24 Factor the following matrix into  $PA = LU$ . Factor it also into  $A = L_1 P_1 U_1$  (hold the exchange of row 3 until 3 times row 1 is subtracted from row 2):

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 8 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 25 Extend the `slu` code in Section 2.6 to a code `splu` that factors  $PA$  into  $LU$ .
- 26 Prove that the identity matrix cannot be the product of three row exchanges (or five). It can be the product of two exchanges (or four).
- 27 (a) Choose  $E_{21}$  to remove the 3 below the first pivot. Then multiply  $E_{21}AE_{21}^T$  to remove both 3's:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 11 & 4 \\ 0 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{is going toward} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) Choose  $E_{32}$  to remove the 4 below the second pivot. Then  $A$  is reduced to  $D$  by  $E_{32}E_{21}AE_{21}^TE_{32}^T = D$ . Invert the  $E$ 's to find  $L$  in  $A = LDL^T$ .
- 28 If every row of a 4 by 4 matrix contains the numbers 0, 1, 2, 3 in some order, can the matrix be symmetric?
- 29 Prove that no reordering of rows and reordering of columns can transpose a typical matrix. (Watch the diagonal entries.)

The next three questions are about applications of the identity  $(Ax)^T y = x^T (A^T y)$ .

- 30 Wires go between Boston, Chicago, and Seattle. Those cities are at voltages  $x_B$ ,  $x_C$ ,  $x_S$ . With unit resistances between cities, the currents between cities are in  $y$ :

$$y = Ax \quad \text{is} \quad \begin{bmatrix} y_{BC} \\ y_{CS} \\ y_{BS} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_B \\ x_C \\ x_S \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find the total currents  $A^T y$  out of the three cities.
- (b) Verify that  $(Ax)^T y$  agrees with  $x^T (A^T y)$ —six terms in both.

**Solution**  $V_1$  starts with three vectors. A subspace  $S$  comes from all combinations of the first two vectors  $(1, 1, 0, 0)$  and  $(1, 1, 1, 0)$ . A subspace  $SS$  of  $S$  comes from all multiples  $(c, c, 0, 0)$  of the first vector. So many possibilities.

A subspace  $S$  of  $V_2$  is the line through  $(1, -1, 1)$ . This line is perpendicular to  $u$ . The vector  $x = (0, 0, 0)$  is in  $S$  and all its multiples  $cx$  give the smallest subspace  $SS = Z$ .

The diagonal matrices are a subspace  $S$  of the symmetric matrices. The multiples  $cI$  are a subspace  $SS$  of the diagonal matrices.

$V_4$  contains all cubic polynomials  $y = a + bx + cx^2 + dx^3$ , with  $d^4y/dx^4 = 0$ . The quadratic polynomials give a subspace  $S$ . The linear polynomials are one choice of  $SS$ . The constants could be  $SSS$ .

In all four parts we could take  $S = V$  itself, and  $SS =$  the zero subspace  $Z$ .

Each  $V$  can be described as *all combinations of* ... and as *all solutions of* ...:

$V_1 =$  all combinations of the 3 vectors       $V_1 =$  all solutions of  $v_1 - v_2 = 0$

$V_2 =$  all combinations of  $(1, 0, -1)$  and  $(1, -1, 1)$  are solutions of  $u \cdot v = 0$ .

$V_3 =$  all combinations of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .       $V_3 =$  all solutions  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  of  $b = c$

$V_4 =$  all combinations of  $1, x, x^2, x^3$        $V_4 =$  all solutions to  $d^4y/dx^4 = 0$ .

### Problem Set 3.1

The first problems 1–8 are about vector spaces in general. The vectors in those spaces are not necessarily column vectors. In the definition of a *vector space*, vector addition  $x + y$  and scalar multiplication  $cx$  must obey the following eight rules:

(1)  $x + y = y + x$

(2)  $x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$

(3) There is a unique “zero vector” such that  $x + 0 = x$  for all  $x$

(4) For each  $x$  there is a unique vector  $-x$  such that  $x + (-x) = 0$

(5) 1 times  $x$  equals  $x$

(6)  $(c_1c_2)x = c_1(c_2x)$

(7)  $c(x + y) = cx + cy$

(8)  $(c_1 + c_2)x = c_1x + c_2x$ .

- Suppose  $(x_1, x_2) + (y_1, y_2)$  is defined to be  $(x_1 + y_2, x_2 + y_1)$ . With the usual multiplication  $cx = (cx_1, cx_2)$ , which of the eight conditions are not satisfied?
- Suppose the multiplication  $cx$  is defined to produce  $(cx_1, 0)$  instead of  $(cx_1, cx_2)$ . With the usual addition in  $\mathbf{R}^2$ , are the eight conditions satisfied?

- 3 (a) Which rules are broken if we keep only the positive numbers  $x > 0$  in  $\mathbf{R}^1$ ? Every  $c$  must be allowed. The half-line is not a subspace.  
 (b) The positive numbers with  $x + y$  and  $cx$  redefined to equal the usual  $xy$  and  $x^c$  do satisfy the eight rules. Test rule 7 when  $c = 3, x = 2, y = 1$ . (Then  $x + y = 2$  and  $cx = 8$ .) Which number acts as the “zero vector”?
- 4\* The matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  is a “vector” in the space  $\mathbf{M}$  of all 2 by 2 matrices. Write down the zero vector in this space, the vector  $\frac{1}{2}A$ , and the vector  $-A$ . What matrices are in the smallest subspace containing  $A$ ?
- 5 (a) Describe a subspace of  $\mathbf{M}$  that contains  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  but not  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .  
 (b) If a subspace of  $\mathbf{M}$  contains  $A$  and  $B$ , must it contain  $I$ ?  
 (c) Describe a subspace of  $\mathbf{M}$  that contains no nonzero diagonal matrices.
- 6 The functions  $f(x) = x^2$  and  $g(x) = 5x$  are “vectors” in  $\mathbf{F}$ . This is the vector space of all real functions. (The functions are defined for  $-\infty < x < \infty$ .) The combination  $3f(x) - 4g(x)$  is the function  $h(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .
- 7 Which rule is broken if multiplying  $f(x)$  by  $c$  gives the function  $f(cx)$ ? Keep the usual addition  $f(x) + g(x)$ .
- 8 If the sum of the “vectors”  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  is defined to be the function  $f(g(x))$ , then the “zero vector” is  $g(x) = x$ . Keep the usual scalar multiplication  $cf(x)$  and find two rules that are broken.

**Questions 9–18 are about the “subspace requirements”:  $x + y$  and  $cx$  (and then all linear combinations  $cx + dy$ ) stay in the subspace.**

- 9 One requirement can be met while the other fails. Show this by finding  
 (a) A set of vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^2$  for which  $x + y$  stays in the set but  $\frac{1}{2}x$  may be outside.  
 (b) A set of vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^2$  (other than two quarter-planes) for which every  $cx$  stays in the set but  $x + y$  may be outside.
- 10 Which of the following subsets of  $\mathbf{R}^3$  are actually subspaces?  
 (a) The plane of vectors  $(b_1, b_2, b_3)$  with  $b_1 = b_2$ .  
 (b) The plane of vectors with  $b_1 = 1$ .  
 (c) The vectors with  $b_1 b_2 b_3 = 0$ .  
 (d) All linear combinations of  $v = (1, 4, 0)$  and  $w = (2, 2, 2)$ .  
 (e) All vectors that satisfy  $b_1 + b_2 + b_3 = 0$ .  
 (f) All vectors with  $b_1 \leq b_2 \leq b_3$ .
- 11 Describe the smallest subspace of the matrix space  $\mathbf{M}$  that contains  
 (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- 12 Let  $P$  be the plane in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  with equation  $x + y - 2z = 4$ . The origin  $(0, 0, 0)$  is not in  $P$ ! Find two vectors in  $P$  and check that their sum is not in  $P$ .
- 13 Let  $P_0$  be the plane through  $(0, 0, 0)$  parallel to the previous plane  $P$ . What is the equation for  $P_0$ ? Find two vectors in  $P_0$  and check that their sum is in  $P_0$ .
- 14 The subspaces of  $\mathbf{R}^3$  are planes, lines,  $\mathbf{R}^3$  itself, or  $\mathbf{Z}$  containing only  $(0, 0, 0)$ .
- Describe the three types of subspaces of  $\mathbf{R}^2$ .
  - Describe all subspaces of  $\mathbf{D}$ , the space of 2 by 2 diagonal matrices.
- 15
- The intersection of two planes through  $(0, 0, 0)$  is probably a \_\_\_\_\_ but it could be a \_\_\_\_\_. It can't be  $\mathbf{Z}$ !
  - The intersection of a plane through  $(0, 0, 0)$  with a line through  $(0, 0, 0)$  is probably a \_\_\_\_\_ but it could be a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - If  $S$  and  $T$  are subspaces of  $\mathbf{R}^5$ , prove that their intersection  $S \cap T$  is a subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^5$ . Here  $S \cap T$  consists of the vectors that lie in both subspaces. Check the requirements on  $x + y$  and  $cx$ .
- 16 Suppose  $P$  is a plane through  $(0, 0, 0)$  and  $L$  is a line through  $(0, 0, 0)$ . The smallest vector space containing both  $P$  and  $L$  is either \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
- 17
- Show that the set of *invertible* matrices in  $\mathbf{M}$  is not a subspace.
  - Show that the set of *singular* matrices in  $\mathbf{M}$  is not a subspace.
- 18 True or false (check addition in each case by an example):
- The symmetric matrices in  $\mathbf{M}$  (with  $A^T = A$ ) form a subspace.
  - The skew-symmetric matrices in  $\mathbf{M}$  (with  $A^T = -A$ ) form a subspace.
  - The unsymmetric matrices in  $\mathbf{M}$  (with  $A^T \neq A$ ) form a subspace.

Questions 19–27 are about column spaces  $C(A)$  and the equation  $Ax = b$ .

- 19 Describe the column spaces (lines or planes) of these particular matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 20 For which right sides (find a condition on  $b_1, b_2, b_3$ ) are these systems solvable?

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 8 & 4 \\ -1 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 9 \\ -1 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 21 Adding row 1 of  $A$  to row 2 produces  $B$ . Adding column 1 to column 2 produces  $C$ . A combination of the columns of ( $B$  or  $C$ ?) is also a combination of the columns of  $A$ . Which two matrices have the same column \_\_\_\_\_?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 22 \* For which vectors  $(b_1, b_2, b_3)$  do these systems have a solution?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{and} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 23 (Recommended) If we add an extra column  $\mathbf{b}$  to a matrix  $A$ , then the column space gets larger unless \_\_\_\_\_. Give an example where the column space gets larger and an example where it doesn't. Why is  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  solvable exactly when the column space *doesn't* get larger—it is the same for  $A$  and  $[A \ \mathbf{b}]$ ?
- 24 The columns of  $AB$  are combinations of the columns of  $A$ . This means: *The column space of  $AB$  is contained in (possibly equal to) the column space of  $A$ .* Give an example where the column spaces of  $A$  and  $AB$  are not equal.
- 25 Suppose  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  and  $A\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}^*$  are both solvable. Then  $A\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{b}^*$  is solvable. What is  $\mathbf{z}$ ? This translates into: If  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{b}^*$  are in the column space  $C(A)$ , then  $\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{b}^*$  is in  $C(A)$ .
- 26 If  $A$  is any 5 by 5 invertible matrix, then its column space is \_\_\_\_\_. Why?
- 27 True or false (with a counterexample if false):
- The vectors  $\mathbf{b}$  that are not in the column space  $C(A)$  form a subspace.
  - If  $C(A)$  contains only the zero vector, then  $A$  is the zero matrix.
  - The column space of  $2A$  equals the column space of  $A$ .
  - The column space of  $A - I$  equals the column space of  $A$  (test this).
- 28 Construct a 3 by 3 matrix whose column space contains  $(1, 1, 0)$  and  $(1, 0, 1)$  but not  $(1, 1, 1)$ . Construct a 3 by 3 matrix whose column space is only a line.
- 29 If the 9 by 12 system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is solvable for every  $\mathbf{b}$ , then  $C(A) =$  \_\_\_\_\_.



## Challenge Problems

- 30 Suppose  $S$  and  $T$  are two subspaces of a vector space  $V$ .
- (a) **Definition:** The **sum**  $S + T$  contains all sums  $s + t$  of a vector  $s$  in  $S$  and a vector  $t$  in  $T$ . Show that  $S + T$  satisfies the requirements (addition and scalar multiplication) for a vector space.
  - (b) If  $S$  and  $T$  are lines in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , what is the difference between  $S + T$  and  $S \cup T$ ? That union contains all vectors from  $S$  or  $T$  or both. Explain this statement: *The span of  $S \cup T$  is  $S + T$ .* (Section 3.5 returns to this word "span".)
- 31 If  $S$  is the column space of  $A$  and  $T$  is  $C(B)$ , then  $S + T$  is the column space of what matrix  $M$ ? The columns of  $A$  and  $B$  and  $M$  are all in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . (I don't think  $A + B$  is always a correct  $M$ .)
- 32 Show that the matrices  $A$  and  $[A \ AB]$  (with extra columns) have the same column space. But find a square matrix with  $C(A^2)$  smaller than  $C(A)$ . Important point:  
An  $n$  by  $n$  matrix has  $C(A) = \mathbb{R}^n$  exactly when  $A$  is an \_\_\_\_\_ matrix.

Now suppose  $c \neq 1$ . Then the matrix  $M$  is invertible. So if  $x$  is any nonzero vector we know that  $Mx$  is nonzero. Since the  $w$ 's are given as independent, we further know that  $WMx$  is nonzero. Since  $V = WM$ , this says that  $x$  is not in the nullspace of  $V$ . In other words  $v_1, v_2, v_3$  are independent.

The general rule is "independent  $v$ 's from independent  $w$ 's when  $M$  is invertible". And if these vectors are in  $\mathbf{R}^3$ , they are not only independent—they are a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^3$ . "Basis of  $v$ 's from basis of  $w$ 's when the change of basis matrix  $M$  is invertible."

**3.5 C (Important example)** Suppose  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^n$  and the  $n$  by  $n$  matrix  $A$  is invertible. Show that  $Av_1, \dots, Av_n$  is also a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

**Solution** In *matrix language*: Put the basis vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  in the columns of an invertible(!) matrix  $V$ . Then  $Av_1, \dots, Av_n$  are the columns of  $AV$ . Since  $A$  is invertible, so is  $AV$  and its columns give a basis.

In *vector language*: Suppose  $c_1Av_1 + \dots + c_nAv_n = \mathbf{0}$ . This is  $Av = \mathbf{0}$  with  $v = c_1v_1 + \dots + c_nv_n$ . Multiply by  $A^{-1}$  to reach  $v = \mathbf{0}$ . By linear independence of the  $v$ 's, all  $c_i = 0$ . This shows that the  $Av$ 's are independent.

To show that the  $Av$ 's span  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , solve  $c_1Av_1 + \dots + c_nAv_n = b$  which is the same as  $c_1v_1 + \dots + c_nv_n = A^{-1}b$ . Since the  $v$ 's are a basis, this must be solvable.

## Problem Set 3.5

Questions 1–10 are about linear independence and linear dependence.

- 1 Show that  $v_1, v_2, v_3$  are independent but  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$  are dependent:

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solve  $c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + c_3v_3 + c_4v_4 = \mathbf{0}$  or  $Ax = \mathbf{0}$ . The  $v$ 's go in the columns of  $A$ .

- 2 (Recommended) Find the largest possible number of independent vectors among

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 3 Prove that if  $a = 0$  or  $d = 0$  or  $f = 0$  (3 cases), the columns of  $U$  are dependent:

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 4 If  $a, d, f$  in Question 3 are all nonzero, show that the only solution to  $Ux = 0$  is  $x = 0$ . Then the upper triangular  $U$  has independent columns.
- 5 Decide the dependence or independence of
- the vectors  $(1, 3, 2)$  and  $(2, 1, 3)$  and  $(3, 2, 1)$
  - the vectors  $(1, -3, 2)$  and  $(2, 1, -3)$  and  $(-3, 2, 1)$ .

- 6 Choose three independent columns of  $U$ . Then make two other choices. Do the same for  $A$ .

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 4 & 6 & 8 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 7 If  $w_1, w_2, w_3$  are independent vectors, show that the differences  $v_1 = w_2 - w_3$  and  $v_2 = w_1 - w_3$  and  $v_3 = w_1 - w_2$  are *dependent*. Find a combination of the  $v$ 's that gives zero. Which matrix  $A$  in  $[v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3] = [w_1 \ w_2 \ w_3] A$  is singular?
- 8 If  $w_1, w_2, w_3$  are independent vectors, show that the sums  $v_1 = w_2 + w_3$  and  $v_2 = w_1 + w_3$  and  $v_3 = w_1 + w_2$  are *independent*. (Write  $c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + c_3v_3 = 0$  in terms of the  $w$ 's. Find and solve equations for the  $c$ 's, to show they are zero.)
- 9 Suppose  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$  are vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^3$ .
- These four vectors are dependent because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - The two vectors  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  will be dependent if \_\_\_\_\_.
  - The vectors  $v_1$  and  $(0, 0, 0)$  are dependent because \_\_\_\_\_.
- 10 Find two independent vectors on the plane  $x + 2y - 3z - t = 0$  in  $\mathbf{R}^4$ . Then find three independent vectors. Why not four? This plane is the nullspace of what matrix?

**Questions 11–15 are about the space spanned by a set of vectors. Take all linear combinations of the vectors.**

- 11 Describe the subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^3$  (is it a line or plane or  $\mathbf{R}^3$ ?) spanned by
- the two vectors  $(1, 1, -1)$  and  $(-1, -1, 1)$
  - the three vectors  $(0, 1, 1)$  and  $(1, 1, 0)$  and  $(0, 0, 0)$
  - all vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  with whole number components
  - all vectors with positive components.
- 12 The vector  $b$  is in the subspace spanned by the columns of  $A$  when \_\_\_\_\_ has a solution. The vector  $c$  is in the row space of  $A$  when \_\_\_\_\_ has a solution.

*True or false:* If the zero vector is in the row space, the rows are dependent.

- 13 Find the dimensions of these 4 spaces. Which two of the spaces are the same? (a) column space of  $A$ , (b) column space of  $U$ , (c) row space of  $A$ , (d) row space of  $U$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 14  $v + w$  and  $v - w$  are combinations of  $v$  and  $w$ . Write  $v$  and  $w$  as combinations of  $v + w$  and  $v - w$ . The two pairs of vectors \_\_\_\_\_ the same space. When are they a basis for the same space?

Questions 15–25 are about the requirements for a basis.

- 15 If  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent, the space they span has dimension \_\_\_\_\_. These vectors are a \_\_\_\_\_ for that space. If the vectors are the columns of an  $m$  by  $n$  matrix, then  $m$  is \_\_\_\_\_ than  $n$ . If  $m = n$ , that matrix is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 16 Find a basis for each of these subspaces of  $\mathbf{R}^4$ :
- All vectors whose components are equal.
  - All vectors whose components add to zero.
  - All vectors that are perpendicular to  $(1, 1, 0, 0)$  and  $(1, 0, 1, 1)$ .
  - The column space and the nullspace of  $I$  (4 by 4).
- 17 Find three different bases for the column space of  $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then find two different bases for the row space of  $U$ .
- 18 Suppose  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_6$  are six vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^4$ .
- Those vectors (do)(do not)(might not) span  $\mathbf{R}^4$ .
  - Those vectors (are)(are not)(might be) linearly independent.
  - Any four of those vectors (are)(are not)(might be) a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^4$ .
- 19 The columns of  $A$  are  $n$  vectors from  $\mathbf{R}^m$ . If they are linearly independent, what is the rank of  $A$ ? If they span  $\mathbf{R}^m$ , what is the rank? If they are a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^m$ , what then? *Looking ahead:* The rank  $r$  counts the number of \_\_\_\_\_ columns.
- 20 Find a basis for the plane  $x - 2y + 3z = 0$  in  $\mathbf{R}^3$ . Then find a basis for the intersection of that plane with the  $xy$  plane. Then find a basis for all vectors perpendicular to the plane.
- 21 Suppose the columns of a 5 by 5 matrix  $A$  are a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^5$ .
- The equation  $Ax = \mathbf{0}$  has only the solution  $x = \mathbf{0}$  because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - If  $b$  is in  $\mathbf{R}^5$  then  $Ax = b$  is solvable because the basis vectors \_\_\_\_\_  $\mathbf{R}^5$ .

Conclusion:  $A$  is invertible. Its rank is 5. Its rows are also a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^5$ .

- 22 Suppose  $S$  is a 5-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^6$ . True or false (example if false):
- Every basis for  $S$  can be extended to a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^6$  by adding one more vector.
  - Every basis for  $\mathbf{R}^6$  can be reduced to a basis for  $S$  by removing one vector.
- 23  $U$  comes from  $A$  by subtracting row 1 from row 3:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find bases for the two column spaces. Find bases for the two row spaces. Find bases for the two nullspaces. Which spaces stay fixed in elimination?

- 24 True or false (give a good reason):
- If the columns of a matrix are dependent, so are the rows.
  - The column space of a 2 by 2 matrix is the same as its row space.
  - The column space of a 2 by 2 matrix has the same dimension as its row space.
  - The columns of a matrix are a basis for the column space.
- 25 For which numbers  $c$  and  $d$  do these matrices have rank 2?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & c & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & d & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} c & d \\ d & c \end{bmatrix}.$$

Questions 26–30 are about spaces where the “vectors” are matrices.

- 26 Find a basis (and the dimension) for each of these subspaces of 3 by 3 matrices:
- All diagonal matrices.
  - All symmetric matrices ( $A^T = A$ ).
  - All skew-symmetric matrices ( $A^T = -A$ ).
- 27 Construct six linearly independent 3 by 3 echelon matrices  $U_1, \dots, U_6$ .
- 28 Find a basis for the space of all 2 by 3 matrices whose columns add to zero. Find a basis for the subspace whose rows also add to zero.
- 29 What subspace of 3 by 3 matrices is spanned (take all combinations) by
- the invertible matrices?
  - the rank one matrices?
  - the identity matrix?
- 30 Find a basis for the space of 2 by 3 matrices whose nullspace contains  $(2, 1, 1)$ .

Questions 31–35 are about spaces where the “vectors” are functions.

- 31 (a) Find all functions that satisfy  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ .  
 (b) Choose a particular function that satisfies  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3$ .  
 (c) Find all functions that satisfy  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3$ .
- 32 The cosine space  $F_3$  contains all combinations  $y(x) = A \cos x + B \cos 2x + C \cos 3x$ . Find a basis for the subspace with  $y(0) = 0$ .
- 33 Find a basis for the space of functions that satisfy  
 (a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} - 2y = 0$   
 (b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{y}{x} = 0$ .
- 34 Suppose  $y_1(x), y_2(x), y_3(x)$  are three different functions of  $x$ . The vector space they span could have dimension 1, 2, or 3. Give an example of  $y_1, y_2, y_3$  to show each possibility.
- 35 Find a basis for the space of polynomials  $p(x)$  of degree  $\leq 3$ . Find a basis for the subspace with  $p(1) = 0$ .
- 36 Find a basis for the space  $S$  of vectors  $(a, b, c, d)$  with  $a + c + d = 0$  and also for the space  $T$  with  $a + b = 0$  and  $c = 2d$ . What is the dimension of the intersection  $S \cap T$ ?
- 37 If  $AS = SA$  for the shift matrix  $S$ , show that  $A$  must have this special form:

$$\text{If } \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix}.$$

“The subspace of matrices that commute with the shift  $S$  has dimension \_\_\_\_\_.”

- 38 Which of the following are bases for  $\mathbf{R}^3$ ?  
 (a)  $(1, 2, 0)$  and  $(0, 1, -1)$   
 (b)  $(1, 1, -1), (2, 3, 4), (4, 1, -1), (0, 1, -1)$   
 (c)  $(1, 2, 2), (-1, 2, 1), (0, 8, 0)$   
 (d)  $(1, 2, 2), (-1, 2, 1), (0, 8, 6)$
- 39 Suppose  $A$  is 5 by 4 with rank 4. Show that  $Ax = b$  has no solution when the 5 by 5 matrix  $[A \ b]$  is invertible. Show that  $Ax = b$  is solvable when  $[A \ b]$  is singular.
- 40 (a) Find a basis for all solutions to  $d^4y/dx^4 = y(x)$ .  
 (b) Find a particular solution to  $d^4y/dx^4 = y(x) + 1$ . Find the complete solution.

### Challenge Problems

- 41 Write the 3 by 3 identity matrix as a combination of the other five permutation matrices! Then show that those five matrices are linearly independent. (Assume a combination gives  $c_1 P_1 + \cdots + c_5 P_5 =$  zero matrix, and check entries to prove  $c_i$  is zero.) The five permutations are a basis for the subspace of 3 by 3 matrices with row and column sums all equal.
- 42 Choose  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$  in  $\mathbf{R}^4$ . It has 24 rearrangements like  $(x_2, x_1, x_3, x_4)$  and  $(x_4, x_3, x_1, x_2)$ . Those 24 vectors, including  $\mathbf{x}$  itself, span a subspace  $\mathbf{S}$ . Find specific vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  so that the dimension of  $\mathbf{S}$  is: (a) zero, (b) one, (c) three, (d) four.
- 43 Intersections and sums have  $\dim(\mathbf{V}) + \dim(\mathbf{W}) = \dim(\mathbf{V} \cap \mathbf{W}) + \dim(\mathbf{V} + \mathbf{W})$ . Start with a basis  $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r$  for the intersection  $\mathbf{V} \cap \mathbf{W}$ . Extend with  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_s$  to a basis for  $\mathbf{V}$ , and separately with  $\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_t$  to a basis for  $\mathbf{W}$ . Prove that the  $\mathbf{u}$ 's,  $\mathbf{v}$ 's and  $\mathbf{w}$ 's together are *independent*. The dimensions have  $(r + s) + (r + t) = (r) + (r + s + t)$  as desired.
- 44 Mike Artin suggested a neat higher-level proof of that dimension formula in Problem 43. From all inputs  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathbf{V}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$  in  $\mathbf{W}$ , the "sum transformation" produces  $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$ . Those outputs fill the space  $\mathbf{V} + \mathbf{W}$ . The nullspace contains all pairs  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{w} = -\mathbf{u}$  for vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathbf{V} \cap \mathbf{W}$ . (Then  $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ .) So  $\dim(\mathbf{V} + \mathbf{W}) + \dim(\mathbf{V} \cap \mathbf{W})$  equals  $\dim(\mathbf{V}) + \dim(\mathbf{W})$  (*input dimension from  $\mathbf{V}$  and  $\mathbf{W}$* ) by the crucial formula

$$\text{dimension of outputs} + \text{dimension of nullspace} = \text{dimension of inputs.}$$

*Problem* For an  $m$  by  $n$  matrix of rank  $r$ , what are those 3 dimensions? Outputs = column space. This question will be answered in Section 3.6, can you do it now?

- 45 Inside  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , suppose  $\text{dimension}(\mathbf{V}) + \text{dimension}(\mathbf{W}) > n$ . Show that some nonzero vector is in both  $\mathbf{V}$  and  $\mathbf{W}$ .
- 46 Suppose  $A$  is 10 by 10 and  $A^2 = 0$  (zero matrix). This means that the column space of  $A$  is contained in the \_\_\_\_\_. If  $A$  has rank  $r$ , those subspaces have dimension  $r \leq 10 - r$ . So the rank is  $r \leq 5$ .

(This problem was added to the second printing: If  $A^2 = 0$  it says that  $r \leq n/2$ .)