
Homework 7

Note: Each of the following questions has appeared on Test I in a previous Math 35100 class.

1. $3x + 2y - z = 0$ is the equation of a plane \mathcal{P} in \mathbb{R}^3 that passes through the origin, so \mathcal{P} is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 . Find a basis for \mathcal{P} . What is the dimension of this subspace?

2. Let $F = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 \\ -1 & 8 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$

- (a) Find a basis for the column space of F .
 (b) Find a basis for the column space of F' .
 (c) Is $(1, 1, 1)$ in the column space of F ?

3. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 & -1 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$

- (a) Find a basis for the column space of A .
 (b) Find a basis for the null space of A .
 (c) Is $(1, 1, 1)$ in the column space of A ?

4. Let $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

- (a) Find a basis for the column space of B .
 (b) Find a basis for the column space of B' .
 (c) Is $(1, 3, -1, -4)$ in the column space of B ?

5. (a) Show that the vectors $(1, 2, 1)$, $(-1, 1, 0)$, and $(2, 0, 0)$ are a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .
 (b) Find the coordinates of $(0, 0, 1)$ with respect to this basis.
6. (a) The vectors $u = (2, 1, -1)$, $v = (1, 1, 0)$, and $w = (1, 2, 1)$ are linearly dependent in \mathbb{R}^3 .
 (b) Write $z = u + v - 2w = (1, -2, -3)$ as a linear combination of two or fewer of these vectors.
7. Find a basis for the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by $(1, -1, 5, -5)$, $(1, 1, -1, 1)$, and $(2, 1, 1, -1)$.
 What is the dimension of this subspace?
8. Find a basis for the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by $(1, -1, 1, 2)$, $(1, 1, -1, 1)$, and $(2, 1, 1, -1)$.
 What is the dimension of this subspace?

For each of the following matrices, find bases for the range and the nullspace, and find the dimensions of these subspaces.

9. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

10. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

11. For each of the situations (a)–(f) below, decide which of the statements in the box can correctly complete the sentence. *Include all correct responses.*

- (a) If A is an 8×11 matrix whose rank is 6, then _____
 (b) If A is an 8×11 matrix whose rank is 8, then _____
 (c) If A is an 8×11 matrix whose rank is 10, then _____
 (d) If A is a 12×7 matrix whose rank is 9, then _____
 (e) If A is a 12×7 matrix whose rank is 7, then _____
 (f) If A is a 12×7 matrix whose rank is 5, then _____

- (i) $AX = b$ is solvable for every vector b .
 (ii) there are some vectors b for which $AX = b$ is not solvable.
 (iii) for some vectors b , the system $AX = b$ has exactly one solution.
 (iv) for some vectors b , the system $AX = b$ has infinitely many solutions.
 (v) the given information is contradictory, no such system is possible.

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$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

The vectors $v_1 = (-3, -1, 1, 0)$ and $v_2 = (1, -2, 0, 1)$ are a basis for $\mathcal{N}(C)$, the nullspace of C .

- (a) What is the dimension of $\mathcal{N}(C)$, the null space of C ?
 What is the rank of C ?
 What is the rank of C' ?
 What is the dimension of $\mathcal{N}(C')$?
 (b) Find bases for the range of C , the range of C' , and the nullspace of C' .
 (c) Is the equation $CX = (2, 3, 1)$ solvable?
 (d) Is the equation $CX = (-1, 1, 3)$ solvable?
 (e) Is the equation $C'X = (1, -1, 2, -3)$ solvable?

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$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Find a basis for the nullspace of D .
 (b) What is the nullity of D ? the rank of D ? the rank of D' ? the nullity of D' ?
 (c) Find bases for the range of D , the range of D' , and the nullspace of D' .
 (d) Is the equation $DX = (2, 3, 1)$ solvable?
 (e) Is the equation $DX = (1, 1, 2)$ solvable?
 (f) Is the equation $D'X = (1, 0, 0, -1)$ solvable?
 (g) Is the equation $D'X = (1, 2, 1, -1)$ solvable?

14. For each real number t , let $F(t)$ be the matrix

$$F(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ t & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & t & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Find $\det(F(t))$. (It is a function of t .)
 (b) For which value (or values) of t are the columns of $F(t)$ linearly dependent?

15. For each of the following, decide if the statement is *always true* or *always false* or *sometimes true*, *sometimes false* when the given condition is true.

(a) **Given:** The vectors $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$ span \mathbb{R}^6 .

Statement: The vectors $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$ are linearly independent.

always true always false sometimes true, sometimes false

(b) **Given:** B is a 6×6 matrix with $\det(B) \neq 0$.

Statement: The equation $BX = b$ has infinitely many solutions.

always true always false sometimes true, sometimes false

(c) **Given:** B is a 6×6 matrix, b is in \mathbb{R}^6 , $BX = 0$ has infinitely many solutions.

Statement: The equation $BX = b$ has infinitely many solutions.

always true always false sometimes true, sometimes false

(d) **Given:** B is a 6×6 matrix and the columns of B are linearly independent.

Statement: The equation $BX = b$ has exactly one solution.

always true always false sometimes true, sometimes false

(e) **Given:** E is a 6×8 matrix, b is in \mathbb{R}^6 , $\mathcal{N}(E)$, the nullspace of E is 2-dimensional.

Statement: The equation $EX = b$ has infinitely many solutions.

always true always false sometimes true, sometimes false

(f) **Given:** D is a 7×5 matrix, b is in \mathbb{R}^7 , $\mathcal{N}(D)$, the nullspace of D is 1-dimensional.

Statement: The equation $DX = b$ has infinitely many solutions.

always true always false sometimes true, sometimes false

16. Consider the system:

$$\begin{cases} u + 2v + w - x - 2y = 3 \\ -2u + v + w + x + 2y = 5 \\ u + v - w + 2x + 4y = -2 \\ u - v + 3x + y = -7 \\ -u + 3v + w + x + 3y = 7 \end{cases}$$

(a) Choose A and b so that the system can be written in matrix form as $AX = b$ where $X = (u, v, w, x, y)$.

(b) Check that $X_p = (-1, 1, 2, -2, 1)$ is a solution of the system and check that $X_0 = (-1, 1, -2, 1, -1)$ is a solution of the associated homogeneous system $AX = 0$.

(c) Without using Gaussian elimination or a machine, find two other non-trivial solutions of $AX = 0$.

(d) Without using Gaussian elimination or a machine, find two other solutions of $AX = b$.

17. The five-tuples $(2, 2, 1, -1, 1)$ and $(1, 1, 2, -1, -1)$ are both solutions of the system:

$$\begin{cases} a + b + 4c + d + e = 8 \\ a - b + 2c + 2d + e = 1 \\ 2a + b - c - d - 2e = 4 \\ b + 3c + d + e = 5 \\ 2a - b + c + 3d = 0 \end{cases}$$

(a) Without using Gaussian elimination or a machine, write down two non-trivial solutions of the associated homogeneous system.

(b) Write down two other solutions of the given system.