

Linear Algebra (5th edition)

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Chapter 01: Vector spaces

Assignments

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1.1 Introduction

Problems

- 1. Determine whether the vectors emanating from the origin and terminating at the following pairs of points are parallel.
 - (a) (3,1,2) and (6,4,2)
 - (b) (-3, 1, 7) and (9, -3, -21)
 - (c) (5, -6, 7) and (-5, 6, -7)
 - (d) (2, 0, -5) and (5, 0, -2)
- 2. Find the equations of the lines through the following pairs of points in space.
 - (a) (3, -2, 4) and (-5, 7, 1)
 - **(b)** (2,4,0) and (-3,-6,0)
 - (c) (3,7,2) and (3,7,-8)
 - (d) (-2, -1, 5) and (3, 9, 7)
- 3. Find the equations of the planes containing the following points in space.

(a)
$$(2, -5, -1), (0, 4, 6), \text{ and } (-3, 7, 1)$$

(b) $(3, -6, 7), (-2, 0, -4), \text{ and } (5, -9, -2)$
(c) $(-8, 2, 0), (1, 3, 0), \text{ and } (6, -5, 0)$
(d) $(1, 1, 1), (5, 5, 5), \text{ and } (-6, 4, 2)$

(d) (1,1,1), (5,5,5), and (-6,4,2)



1.2 Vector spaces

- 1. Label the following statements as true or false.
 - (a) Every vector space contains a zero vector.
 - (b) A vector space may have more than one zero vector.
 - (c) In any vector space, ax = bx implies that a = b.
 - (d) In any vector space, ax = ay implies that x = y.
 - (e) A vector in F^n may be regarded as a matrix in $\mathsf{M}_{n\times 1}(F)$.
 - (f) An $m \times n$ matrix has m columns and n rows.



1.2 Vector spaces

• Problems

3. If

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix},$$

what are M_{13}, M_{21} , and M_{22} ?

4. Perform the indicated operations.

(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 & 5 \\ -5 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} -6 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -5 \\ 0 & -3 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
(c) $4 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$
(d) $-5 \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$



1.2 Vector spaces

Problems

13. Let V denote the set of ordered pairs of real numbers. If (a_1, a_2) and (b_1, b_2) are elements of V and $c \in R$, define

 $(a_1, a_2) + (b_1, b_2) = (a_1 + b_1, a_2 b_2)$ and $c(a_1, a_2) = (ca_1, a_2).$

Is V a vector space over R with these operations? Justify your answer.

17. Let $V = \{(a_1, a_2) : a_1, a_2 \in F\}$, where F is a field. Define addition of elements of V coordinatewise, and for $c \in F$ and $(a_1, a_2) \in V$, define

 $c(a_1, a_2) = (a_1, 0).$

Is V a vector space over F with these operations? Justify your answer.



1.3 Subspaces

- 1. Label the following statements as true or false.
 - (a) If V is a vector space and W is a subset of V that is a vector space, then W is a subspace of V.
 - (b) The empty set is a subspace of every vector space.
 - (c) If V is a vector space other than the zero vector space, then V contains a subspace W such that $W \neq V$.
 - (d) The intersection of any two subsets of V is a subspace of V.
 - (e) An $n \times n$ diagonal matrix can never have more than n nonzero entries.
 - (f) The trace of a square matrix is the product of its diagonal entries.
 - (g) Let W be the xy-plane in \mathbb{R}^3 ; that is, $\mathbb{W} = \{(a_1, a_2, 0) : a_1, a_2 \in R\}$. Then $\mathbb{W} = \mathbb{R}^2$.



1.3 Subspaces

• Problems

2. Determine the transpose of each of the matrices that follow. In addition, if the matrix is square, compute its trace.

(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (b) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 8 & -6 \\ 3 & 4 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$
(c) $\begin{pmatrix} -3 & 9 \\ 0 & -2 \\ 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{pmatrix} 10 & 0 & -8 \\ 2 & -4 & 3 \\ -5 & 7 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$
(e) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ (f) $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 5 & 1 & 4 \\ 7 & 0 & 1 & -6 \end{pmatrix}$
(g) $\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$ (h) $\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 6 & -3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$



1.3 Subspaces

- Determine whether the following sets are subspaces of R³ under the operations of addition and scalar multiplication defined on R³. Justify your answers.
 - (a) $W_1 = \{(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : a_1 = 3a_2 \text{ and } a_3 = -a_2\}$ (b) $W_2 = \{(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : a_1 = a_3 + 2\}$ (c) $W_3 = \{(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : 2a_1 - 7a_2 + a_3 = 0\}$ (d) $W_4 = \{(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : a_1 - 4a_2 - a_3 = 0\}$ (e) $W_5 = \{(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : a_1 + 2a_2 - 3a_3 = 1\}$ (f) $W_6 = \{(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : 5a_1^2 - 3a_2^2 + 6a_3^2 = 0\}$



1.4 Linear combinations and systems of linear equations

- 1. Label the following statements as true or false.
 - (a) The zero vector is a linear combination of any nonempty set of vectors.
 - (b) The span of \emptyset is \emptyset .
 - (c) If S is a subset of a vector space V, then span(S) equals the intersection of all subspaces of V that contain S.
 - (d) In solving a system of linear equations, it is permissible to multiply an equation by any constant.
 - (e) In solving a system of linear equations, it is permissible to add any multiple of one equation to another.
 - (f) Every system of linear equations has a solution.



1.4 Linear combinations and systems of linear equations

• Problems

 Solve the following systems of linear equations by the method introduced in this section.

(a)	$2x_1 - 2x_2 - 3x_3 = -2$ $3x_1 - 3x_2 - 2x_3 + 5x_4 = 7$ $x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3 - x_4 = -3$	(d)	$ \begin{array}{rcl} x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 & = & 2 \\ x_1 & + 8x_3 + 5x_4 = -6 \\ x_1 + & x_2 + 5x_3 + 5x_4 = & 3 \end{array} $
(b)	$3x_1 - 7x_2 + 4x_3 = 10x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = 32x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3 = 6$	(e)	$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
(c)	$ \begin{array}{rcrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	(f)	$ \begin{array}{rcrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$



1.4 Linear combinations and systems of linear equations

• Problems

- For each of the following lists of vectors in R³, determine whether the first vector can be expressed as a linear combination of the other two.
 - (a) (-2,0,3), (1,3,0), (2,4,-1)
 - **(b)** (1, 2, -3), (-3, 2, 1), (2, -1, -1)
 - (c) (3,4,1), (1,-2,1), (-2,-1,1)
 - (d) (2, -1, 0), (1, 2, -3), (1, -3, 2)
 - (e) (5, 1, -5), (1, -2, -3), (-2, 3, -4)
 - (f) (-2, 2, 2), (1, 2, -1), (-3, -3, 3)
- 5. In each part, determine whether the given vector is in the span of S.

(a)
$$(2, -1, 1), \quad S = \{(1, 0, 2), (-1, 1, 1)\}$$

(b) $(-1, 2, 1), \quad S = \{(1, 0, 2), (-1, 1, 1)\}$
(c) $(-1, 1, 1, 2), \quad S = \{(1, 0, 1, -1), (0, 1, 1, 1)\}$
(d) $(2, -1, 1, -3), \quad S = \{(1, 0, 1, -1), (0, 1, 1, 1)\}$
(e) $-x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 3, \quad S = \{x^3 + x^2 + x + 1, x^2 + x + 1, x + 1\}$
(f) $2x^3 - x^2 + x + 3, \quad S = \{x^3 + x^2 + x + 1, x^2 + x + 1, x + 1\}$
(g) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$
(h) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$



1.5 Linear dependence and linear independence

Problems

- 1. Label the following statements as true or false.
 - (a) If S is a linearly dependent set, then each vector in S is a linear combination of other vectors in S.
 - (b) Any set containing the zero vector is linearly dependent.
 - (c) The empty set is linearly dependent.
 - (d) Subsets of linearly dependent sets are linearly dependent.
 - (e) Subsets of linearly independent sets are linearly independent.
 - (f) If $a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \cdots + a_nx_n = 0$ and x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n are linearly independent, then all the scalars a_i are zero.
- 2.³ Determine whether the following sets are linearly dependent or linearly independent.

(a)
$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 6 \\ 4 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$
 in $\mathsf{M}_{2 \times 2}(R)$

(b)
$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$
 in $M_{2 \times 2}(R)$

7. Recall from Example 3 in Section 1.3 that the set of diagonal matrices in $M_{2\times 2}(F)$ is a subspace. Find a linearly independent set that generates this subspace.



1.6 Bases and dimension

• Problems

- 1. Label the following statements as true or false.
 - (a) The zero vector space has no basis.
 - (b) Every vector space that is generated by a finite set has a basis.
 - (c) Every vector space has a finite basis.
 - (d) A vector space cannot have more than one basis.
 - (e) If a vector space has a finite basis, then the number of vectors in every basis is the same.
 - (g) The dimension of $M_{m \times n}(F)$ is m + n.
 - (h) Suppose that V is a finite-dimensional vector space, that S_1 is a linearly independent subset of V, and that S_2 is a subset of V that generates V. Then S_1 cannot contain more vectors than S_2 .
 - (i) If S generates the vector space V, then every vector in V can be written as a linear combination of vectors in S in only one way.
 - (j) Every subspace of a finite-dimensional space is finite-dimensional.
 - (k) If V is a vector space having dimension n, then V has exactly one subspace with dimension 0 and exactly one subspace with dimension n.
 - If V is a vector space having dimension n, and if S is a subset of V with n vectors, then S is linearly independent if and only if S spans V.



1.6 Bases and dimension

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- **2.** Determine which of the following sets are bases for \mathbb{R}^3 .
 - (a) $\{(1,0,-1), (2,5,1), (0,-4,3)\}$
 - **(b)** $\{(2, -4, 1), (0, 3, -1), (6, 0, -1)\}$
 - (c) $\{(1,2,-1),(1,0,2),(2,1,1)\}$
 - (d) $\{(-1,3,1), (2,-4,-3), (-3,8,2)\}$
 - (e) $\{(1, -3, -2), (-3, 1, 3), (-2, -10, -2)\}$
- 5. Is $\{(1, 4, -6), (1, 5, 8), (2, 1, 1), (0, 1, 0)\}$ a linearly independent subset of R³? Justify your answer.
- 7. The vectors $u_1 = (2, -3, 1)$, $u_2 = (1, 4, -2)$, $u_3 = (-8, 12, -4)$, $u_4 = (1, 37, -17)$, and $u_5 = (-3, -5, 8)$ generate \mathbb{R}^3 . Find a subset of the set $\{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5\}$ that is a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .
- **9.** The vectors $u_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1)$, $u_2 = (0, 1, 1, 1)$, $u_3 = (0, 0, 1, 1)$, and $u_4 = (0, 0, 0, 1)$ form a basis for F⁴. Find the unique representation of an arbitrary vector (a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4) in F⁴ as a linear combination of u_1, u_2, u_3 , and u_4 .