

REVIEW PROBLEMS

CHAPTER 1

- ① Find unit vectors \vec{u}_1 and \vec{u}_2 in the directions of $\vec{v} = (2, 1)$ and $\vec{w} = (1, 3, -1)$. Find unit vectors \vec{c}_1 and \vec{c}_2 that are perpendicular to \vec{u}_1 and \vec{u}_2 .

$$\vec{v} = (2, 1)$$

$$\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{5}. \text{ Hence } \vec{u}_1 = \frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|} = \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right).$$

$$\text{Choose } \vec{c}_1 = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, -\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\right). \text{ Then } \vec{c}_1 \cdot \vec{u}_1 = 0 \text{ and } \|\vec{c}_1\| = 1.$$

$$\vec{w} = (1, 3, -1)$$

$$\|\vec{w}\| = \sqrt{1^2 + 3^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{11}. \text{ Hence } \vec{u}_2 = \frac{\vec{w}}{\|\vec{w}\|} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{11}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{11}}, \frac{-1}{\sqrt{11}}\right).$$

Note that $(1, 0, 1)$ is perpendicular to \vec{w} . Hence $\vec{c}_2 = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$ is perpendicular to \vec{u}_2 .

(2) All possible linear combinations of $\vec{a} = (1, 1, 1, 1)$, $\vec{b} = (1, 1, 2, 2)$, $\vec{c} = (0, 0, 1, 1)$ and $\vec{d} = (3, 3, 3, 3)$ lie on a

LINE

PLANE

3D SPACE

4D SPACE

(3) Suppose that $\|\vec{a}\| = 3$ and $\|\vec{b}\| = 4$. The maximum possible value of $\|\vec{a} + \vec{b}\| + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$ is _____

By the triangle inequality, $\|\vec{a} + \vec{b}\| \leq \|\vec{a}\| + \|\vec{b}\|$

Schwarz inequality, $|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| \leq \|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\|$

Equality occurs when \vec{a} and \vec{b} point in the same direction

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } \|\vec{a} + \vec{b}\| + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} &= (3 + 4) + (3 \cdot 4 \cdot \cos 0^\circ) \\ &= 7 + 12 = 19 \end{aligned}$$

- ① Which number forces a row exchange, and what is the triangular system (non-singular) for that d ? Which d makes this system singular (no third pivot)?

$$2x + 5y + z = 0$$

$$4x + dy + z = 2$$

$$y - z = 3.$$

Let's perform elimination on the coefficient matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 1 \\ 4 & d & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 1 \\ 4 & d & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{row } \textcircled{2} - 2\text{row } \textcircled{1}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & d-10 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

If $d=10$, we need a row exchange to continue elimination (rows $\textcircled{2}$ and $\textcircled{3}$)

If $d=11$, then we have $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$. The last two rows are dependent; the system is singular.

② Apply row elimination to reduce this matrix from A to I . Then write \bar{A}^{-1} as a product of three (or more) elimination matrices coming from that elimination. Multiply these matrices to find \bar{A}^{-1} .

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

Swap rows ① and ② $P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $PA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

row ③ \rightarrow -2 row ① + row ③ $E_{31} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $E_{31}PA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

row ② \rightarrow $-$ row ③ + row ② $E_{23} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $E_{23}E_{31}PA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$

Hence, $\bar{A}^{-1} = E_{23}E_{31}P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

③ Write down the inverse of $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ without performing elimination.

Justify your answer.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

A is a permutation matrix (its rows are the rows of the identity matrix, but re-ordered).

Hence $A^{-1} = A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

④ Short answer/answer only (fill in the blanks, true/false) problems

(a) Let $A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. Write $(AB+C)^T$ in terms of A^T, B^T, C^T

$$\begin{aligned}(AB+C)^T &= (AB)^T + C^T \\ &= B^T A^T + C^T\end{aligned}$$

(b) True or False If AB and BA are defined, then A and B are square

If $\underbrace{A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}}_{\text{non-square}}, \underbrace{B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}}_{\text{non-square}}$ then $\underbrace{AB \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}}_{\text{square}}, \underbrace{BA \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}}_{\text{square}}$

(c) True or False If $AB=B$, then $A=I$

Counterexample: $B=0$ matrix

① Let \mathbb{Z} denote the set of all integers with the usual definition of addition, and define scalar multiplication, denoted \circ , by

$$c \circ k = \lfloor c \rfloor \cdot k \quad \text{for all } k \in \mathbb{Z},$$

where $\lfloor c \rfloor$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to c .

For example, $1.25 \circ 7 = \lfloor 1.25 \rfloor \circ 7 = 1 \cdot 7 = 7$.

Is \mathbb{Z} , together with these operations, a vector space? Justify your answer.

No. \mathbb{Z} with these operations is not a vector space.

Here is an axiom that fails

$$(c+d) \circ x = c \circ x + d \circ x \quad \text{for } x \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Choose $c = 1.25$, $d = 0.75$. Then $(c+d) \circ x = (1.25 + 0.75) \circ x = 2 \circ x = \lfloor 2 \rfloor x = 2x$

However, $c \circ x + d \circ x = \lfloor 1.25 \rfloor \cdot x + \lfloor 0.75 \rfloor \cdot x = 1 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x = x$

② Determine whether the following sets are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2 .

$$(a) \{ (x_1, x_2) : x_1 + x_2 = 0 \} = V$$

Yes Let $\vec{a}, \vec{b} \in V$ $\vec{a} = (x_1, x_2)$, $\vec{b} = (y_1, y_2)$

Then $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2)$ with $(x_1 + y_1) + (x_2 + y_2) = (x_1 + x_2) + (y_1 + y_2) = 0$

Hence $\vec{a} + \vec{b} \in V$

Similarly,

Let $c \in \mathbb{R}$. $c\vec{a} = (cx_1, cx_2)$, with $cx_1 + cx_2 = c(x_1 + x_2) = c \cdot 0 = 0$

Hence $c\vec{a} \in V$

$$(b) \{ (x_1, x_2) : x_1^2 = x_2^2 \} = A$$

No Let $\vec{p}, \vec{q} \in A$ where $\vec{p} = (2, 2)$ and $\vec{q} = (3, -3)$

$\vec{p} \in A$ since $2^2 = 2^2$ $\vec{q} \in A$ since $3^2 = (-3)^2$

$$\vec{p} + \vec{q} = (2, 2) + (3, -3) = (5, -1)$$

$\vec{p} + \vec{q} \notin A$ since $5^2 \neq (-1)^2$. No closure under addition

③ Column Space of A

Describe the column space of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Is the vector $(2, 3, 1)$ in the column space of this matrix?

$$C(A) = \text{span} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Only vectors (b_1, b_2, b_3) with $b_3 = 0$ are in the column space of this matrix.

Hence $(2, 3, 1) \notin C(A)$.