

(I'll write vectors as rows rather than columns to save space)

1. Let  $R^4$  be the usual Euclidean 4-dimensional space.

(a) List the elements of a 5 element subset of  $R^4$  which spans  $R^4$  but is not linearly independent: **(1,0,0,0), (0,1,0,0), (0,0,1,0), (0,0,0,1) and any other 4 dimensional vector.**

(b) List the members of a 3-element subset of  $R^4$  which is linearly independent but does not span  $R^4$ . **1,0,0,0), (0,1,0,0), (0,0,1,0),**

(c) List the members of a nonempty subset of  $R^4$  which is neither linearly independent nor spanning. **{ (1,0,0,0), (2,0,0,0)}**

(d) List the members of a subset of  $R^4$  which is a basis for  $R^4$ . **(1,0,0,0), (0,1,0,0), (0,0,1,0), (0,0,0,1)**

2. Short answer Questions:

(a) Suppose  $A$  is a  $9 \times 9$  matrix such that  $A^3 = A$ . What are the possible values for the determinant of  $A$ ? **If  $x = \det A$ , then  $\det(A^3) = x^3$  since the determinant of a product is the product of the determinants. Hence  $x^3 = x$  so  $x(x^2 - 1) = 0$  and hence  $x = 0$  or  $1$  or  $-1$ .**

(b) If  $A$  and  $B$  are invertible  $11 \times 11$  matrices, What is the inverse of  $ABA^{-1}$ ?  **$AB^{-1}A^{-1}$**

(c) A vector space with no finite basis: **The space of all polynomials**

(d) What is the dimension of the vector space of all  $3 \times 2$  matrices? **6**

(e) If  $A$  is a  $7 \times 9$  matrix with a two dimensional null space, what is the rank of  $A$ ? **rank  $A$  + dim Nul  $A = 9$  so rank  $A + 2 = 9$ ; hence rank  $A = 7$**

(f) Can a  $6 \times 9$  matrix  $B$  have a two-dimensional null space? Explain. **No. If dim Nul  $B = 2$ , then  $B$  has rank 7 by the Rank Theorem. But the columns of  $B$  are vectors in  $R^6$  and so the column space of  $B$  cannot exceed 6.**

(g) What is the dimension of the vector space of all polynomials of degree  $\leq 12$ ? **13**

3. A personalized question. Let  $b_1 =$  the number of the month in which you were born (1 = January, 2 = February, etc.),  $b_2 =$  the day of the month on which you were born, and  $b_3 =$  the year of your birth. Form the vector  $\mathbf{b} = [b_1 \ b_2 \ b_3]$ . Suppose  $A$  is any  $3 \times 3$  matrix such that the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a unique solution. Explain why  $A$  must be invertible. **If  $A$  is not invertible, then the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  either has no solutions or infinitely many solutions since the reduced row echelon form of  $A$  will have at least one row of all zero's.**

4. (a) Let  $S = \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\}$  be a linearly independent subset of a vector space  $V$  and suppose  $\mathbf{w}$  is a member of  $V$  which is not in the span of  $S$ . Show that  $\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3, \mathbf{w}\}$  is a linearly independent set.

Suppose  $k_1 \mathbf{w}_1 + k_2 \mathbf{w}_2 + k_3 \mathbf{w}_3 + k_4 \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{0}$  for constants  $k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4$ .

If  $k_4 = 0$ , then  $k_1 \mathbf{w}_1 + k_2 \mathbf{w}_2 + k_3 \mathbf{w}_3 = \mathbf{0}$  but since  $\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\}$  is linearly independent, we would have  $k_1 = k_2 = k_3 = 0$  and this would imply that  $\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3, \mathbf{w}\}$  is linearly independent since the only linear combination of the vectors equal to the zero vector is the trivial combination.

Hence we must have  $k_4 \neq 0$  in which case we have  $k_4 \mathbf{w} = -k_1 \mathbf{w}_1 - k_2 \mathbf{w}_2 - k_3 \mathbf{w}_3$  so

$$\mathbf{w}_4 = -\left(\frac{k_1}{k_4}\right)\mathbf{w}_1 - \left(\frac{k_2}{k_4}\right)\mathbf{w}_2 - \left(\frac{k_3}{k_4}\right)\mathbf{w}_3; \text{ that is, } \mathbf{w} \text{ is a linear combination of } \mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3 \text{ which means } \mathbf{w} \text{ is}$$

in the span of  $S$ , which is a contradiction.

5. Let  $T$  be a linear transformation from  $R^2$  to  $R^2$

(a) Show that the set  $S$  of vectors  $\mathbf{X}$  in  $R^2$  such that  $T(\mathbf{X}) = 3\mathbf{X}$  is a subspace of  $R^2$ .

Suppose  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$  are members of  $S$  and  $k$  is any scalar. Then  $T(k\mathbf{X}) = kT(\mathbf{X}) = k3\mathbf{X}$  [since  $\mathbf{X}$  belongs to  $S$ ] =  $3k\mathbf{X}$  [scalar multiplication of reals is commutative]. Thus  $k\mathbf{X}$  is also in  $S$ .

Moreover,  $T(\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}) = T(\mathbf{X}) + T(\mathbf{Y}) = 3\mathbf{X} + 3\mathbf{Y} = 3(\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y})$  [distributive law] and hence  $\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}$  is in  $S$  as well. Therefore  $S$  is a subspace.

(b) If  $T$  is the particular matrix transformation for which  $T(\mathbf{e}_1) = (3,8)$  and  $T(\mathbf{e}_2) = (0,-1)$ , show that  $T(\mathbf{X}) = 3\mathbf{X}$  if  $\mathbf{X} = (1,2)$ .  $T(\mathbf{X}) = T((1,2)) = T(1\mathbf{e}_1 + 2\mathbf{e}_2) = 1T(\mathbf{e}_1) + 2T(\mathbf{e}_2) = (3,8) + 2(0,-1) = (3,8) + (0,-2) = (3+0, 8-2) = (3,6) = 3(1,2) = 3\mathbf{X}$ .

6. The reduced row echelon form of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 21 & 4 & 112 & 11 \\ 12 & 37 & 3 & 170 & -16 \\ -4 & -2 & -2 & -62 & -4 \\ 16 & 48 & 12 & 276 & 48 \end{bmatrix}$  is  $R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Find each of the following:

- (a) Number of pivot columns of  $A$ : 3  
 (b) Number of pivot positions of  $R$ : 3  
 (c) rank of  $A$ : 3  
 (d) Dimension of the column space of  $A$ : 3  
 (e) nullity of  $A$ : 2 (number of columns of  $R$  with no leading 1's; also equals number of columns - rank)  
 (f) nullity of the transpose of  $A$ : 1 (rank  $A$  + nullity  $A^T$  = number of rows of  $A$ )  
 (g) a basis for the row space of  $A$   $\{ (1,0,0,-3,9), (0,1,0,5,-4), (0,0,1,7,8) \}$  (the rows of  $R$  with leading 1's)  
 (h) a basis for the column space of  $A$ : First three columns of  $A$  (The columns of  $A$  corresponding to the columns of  $R$  with leading 1's)  
 (i) Describe a procedure (you do not have to carry out the computations) for finding a basis for the row space which is made up of some of the rows of  $A$ . Reduce the transpose of  $A$  to row echelon form  $R$ . Pick the columns of  $A^T$  which corresponds to the columns of  $R$  with leading 1's. The transposes of those columns form a basis for the row space of  $A$ .

7. Let  $S$  be the parallelogram determined by the vectors  $\mathbf{b}_1 = [4, -7]^T$  and  $\mathbf{b}_2 = [0, 1]^T$  and let  $A$  be the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute the area of the image of  $S$  under the linear transformation whose matrix representation is  $A$ .

$S$  is the image of the standard unit square  $U = (\text{vertices } (0,0), (1,0), (0,1), (1,1))$  under the linear transformation with matrix  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ -7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then the image of  $S$  under  $A$  is the image of  $U$  under the transformation with matrix representative  $BA$ . Thus its area is  $|\det(BA)| = |\det B| |\det A| = 4 \cdot 5 = 20$ .

8. (Leontief Input-Output Model). Consider the production model  $\mathbf{x} = C\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{d}$  for an economy with two sectors where  $C = \begin{bmatrix} .2 & .5 \\ .6 & .1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} 112 \\ 84 \end{bmatrix}$ . Determine the production level vector necessary to satisfy the final demand.

Write the consumption matrix  $C$  as  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3}{5} & \frac{1}{10} \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $I - C = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{5} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{9}{10} \end{bmatrix}$  so  $(I - C)^{-1} = \frac{1}{21} \begin{bmatrix} 45 & 25 \\ 30 & 40 \end{bmatrix}$  and the production vector is  $\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{21} \begin{bmatrix} 45 & 25 \\ 30 & 40 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 112 \\ 84 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 340 \\ 320 \end{bmatrix}$

