

### Math 218D-1: Homework #5

due Wednesday, February 15, at 11:59pm

1. Find a basis for the null space of each matrix.

$$\text{a) } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{b) } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ -4 & -5 & 5 \\ 6 & 1 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{c) } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & -4 & -5 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ -3 & -6 & -7 & 7 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{d) } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

[Hint: Compare HW4#7.]

2. Which sets of vectors are linearly independent? If the vectors are linearly dependent, find a linear relation among them.

$$\text{a) } \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{b) } \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{c) } \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{d) } \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 2 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ -3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{e) } \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Which sets do you know are linearly dependent without doing any work?

3. a) For each set in Problem 2, find a basis for the span of the vectors.  
b) For each set in Problem 2, find a *different* basis for the span of the vectors. Your new basis cannot contain a scalar multiple of any vector in your answer for a).  
c) What is the dimension of each of these spans?
4. Consider the vectors

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

of Problem 2(a).

- a) Find two different ways to express  $(5, 7, 9)$  as a linear combination of these vectors.  
b) How many ways can you express  $(5, 7, 9)$  as a linear combination of the first two vectors?

5. Let  $\{w_1, w_2, w_3\}$  be a basis for a subspace  $V$ , and set

$$v_1 = w_2 + w_3 \quad v_2 = w_1 + w_3 \quad v_3 = w_1 + w_2.$$

Show that  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is also a basis for  $V$ .

6. Certain vectors  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$  span a 3-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^5$ . They satisfy the linear relation

$$2v_1 + 0v_2 - v_3 + v_4 = 0.$$

- a) Describe *all* linear relations among  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$ .

[**Hint:** what is the rank of the matrix with columns  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$ ?]

- b) Which vector(s) is/are *not* in the span of the others? How do you know for sure?

7. Consider the following matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ -4 & -5 & 5 \\ 6 & 1 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which sets of columns form a basis for the column space? (I.e., do the first and third columns form a basis? what about the second and third? etc.)

8. Find bases for the following subspaces.

a)  $\{(x, y, x) : x, y \in \mathbf{R}\}$ .

b)  $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^3 : x = 2y + z\}$ .

c) The solution set of the system of equations  $\begin{cases} x + y + z = 0 \\ x - 2y - z = 0. \end{cases}$

d)  $\{x \in \mathbf{R}^3 : Ax = 2x\}$ , where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 6 & 8 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

e) The subspace of all vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  whose coordinates sum to zero.

f) The intersection of the plane  $x - 2y - z = 0$  with the  $xy$ -plane.

9. Decide if each statement is true or false, and explain why.
- If  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent vectors, then  $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  has dimension  $n$ .
  - If the matrix equation  $Ax = 0$  has the trivial solution, then the columns of  $A$  are linearly independent.
  - If  $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a plane and the set  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is linearly dependent, then  $v_3 \in \text{Span}\{v_1, v_2\}$ .
  - If  $v_3$  is not a linear combination of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , then  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is linearly independent.
  - If  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is linearly dependent, then so is  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, x\}$  for any vector  $x$ .
  - The set  $\{0\}$  is linearly independent.
  - If  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$  is linearly independent, then so is  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ .
  - The columns of any  $4 \times 5$  matrix are linearly dependent.
  - If  $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  has only one solution, then the columns of  $A$  are linearly independent.
  - If  $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  has dimension 3, then  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is linearly independent.

10. Find bases for the four fundamental subspaces of each matrix, and compute their dimensions. Verify that:

(1)  $\dim \text{Col}(A) + \dim \text{Nul}(A)$  is the number of columns of  $A$ .

(2)  $\dim \text{Row}(A) + \dim \text{Nul}(A^T)$  is the number of rows of  $A$ .

(3)  $\dim \text{Row}(A) = \dim \text{Col}(A)$ .

[Hint: Augment with the identity matrix so you only have to do Gauss–Jordan elimination once. Feel free to use the Sage cell on the website!]

$$\text{a) } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{b) } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ -4 & -5 & 5 \\ 6 & 1 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{c) } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{d) } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & -4 & -5 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ -3 & -6 & -7 & 7 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{e) } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

11. Suppose that  $A$  is an invertible  $4 \times 4$  matrix. Find bases for its four fundamental subspaces.

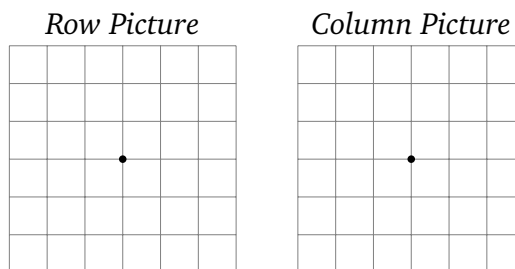
12. a) Let  $A$  be a  $9 \times 4$  matrix of rank 3. What are the dimensions of its four fundamental subspaces?

- b) If the left null space of a  $5 \times 4$  matrix  $A$  has dimension 3, what is the rank of  $A$ ?

13. Find an example of a matrix with the required properties, or explain why no such matrix exists.
- The column space contains  $(1, 2, 3)$  and  $(4, 5, 6)$ , and the row space contains  $(1, 2)$  and  $(2, 3)$ .
  - The column space has basis  $\{(1, 2, 3)\}$ , and the null space has basis  $\{(3, 2, 1)\}$ .
  - The dimension of the null space is one greater than the dimension of the left null space.
  - A  $3 \times 5$  matrix whose row space equals its null space.

14. Draw the four fundamental subspaces of the following matrices, in grids like below.

a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$       b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$



15. For the following matrix  $A$ , find the pivot positions of  $A$  and of  $A^T$ . Do they have the same pivots? Do they have the same rank?

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

16. Find a matrix  $A$  such that

$$\text{Col}(A) = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Nul}(A) = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

What is the rank of  $A$ ?

17. a) If  $\text{Col}(B)$  is contained in  $\text{Nul}(A)$ , then  $AB = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .
- b) Find a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$  such that  $\text{Col}(A) = \text{Nul}(A)$ . What is the rank of such a matrix? [**Hint:** use HW4#18.]
18. a) Show that  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ . [**Hint:** Compare HW4#19.]
- b) Show that  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(B)$ . [**Hint:** Take transposes.]

19. Let  $A$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix of rank 2. Explain why  $A^2$  is not the zero matrix.  
[Hint: Compare Problem 17.]
20. (OPTIONAL AND UNGRADED) This problem explains why we only consider *square* matrices when we discuss invertibility.
- Show that a tall matrix  $A$  (more rows than columns) does not have a right inverse, i.e., there is no matrix  $B$  such that  $AB = I_m$ .
  - Show that a wide matrix  $A$  (more columns than rows) does not have a left inverse, i.e., there is no matrix  $B$  such that  $BA = I_n$ .
- [Hint: compare Problem 18.]
21. Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Which of the following are *equivalent* to the statement “ $A$  has full column rank”?
- $\text{Nul}(A) = \{0\}$
  - $A$  has rank  $m$
  - The columns of  $A$  are linearly independent
  - $\dim \text{Row}(A) = n$
  - The columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbf{R}^m$
  - $A^T$  has full column rank
22. Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Which of the following are *equivalent* to the statement “ $A$  has full row rank”?
- $\text{Col}(A) = \mathbf{R}^m$
  - $A$  has rank  $m$
  - The columns of  $A$  are linearly independent
  - $\dim \text{Nul}(A) = n - m$
  - The rows of  $A$  span  $\mathbf{R}^n$
  - $A^T$  has full column rank