

5. True. $\vec{v} = (-1) \cdot \vec{u} + (-1) \cdot (\vec{u} - \vec{v})$ is a linear combination of \vec{u} and $\vec{u} - \vec{v}$, hence $\vec{v} \in \text{span}(\vec{u}, \vec{u} - \vec{v})$.

6. False. Let $\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Then $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \notin \text{span}(\vec{u}, \vec{v})$. Suppose

otherwise, then $\exists \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \vec{u} + \beta \vec{v} \right)$

$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha + 2\beta \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow 1 = 0$, contradiction.

So, $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \notin \text{span}(\vec{u}, \vec{v})$

7. True. We show that $\text{span}(\vec{u}, \vec{u} + \vec{v}) = \mathbb{R}^2$.

\subseteq) If $\vec{w} \in \text{span}(\vec{u}, \vec{u} + \vec{v})$, then

$\exists \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} \left(\vec{w} = \underbrace{\alpha \vec{u}}_{\text{in } \mathbb{R}^2} + \beta \underbrace{(\vec{u} + \vec{v})}_{\text{in } \mathbb{R}^2} \right)$. So,

$\vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

\supseteq) Let $\vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^2$. We know that

$\mathbb{R}^2 = \text{span}(\vec{u}, \vec{v})$, so $\exists \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} \left(\vec{w} = \alpha \vec{u} + \beta \vec{v} \right)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \vec{w} &= \alpha \vec{u} + \beta \vec{v} = \alpha \vec{u} - \beta \vec{u} + \beta \vec{u} + \beta \vec{v} \\ &= \underbrace{(\alpha - \beta)}_{\substack{\in \\ \mathbb{R}}} \vec{u} + \beta (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \implies \vec{w} \in \text{span}(\vec{u}, \vec{u} + \vec{v}) \end{aligned}$$

8. False. We give two arguments.

pf 1: Take any $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^3$. Then

$$\dim(\text{span}(\vec{u} + \vec{v}, \vec{v} + \vec{w})) \leq 2 < 3 = \dim(\mathbb{R}^3)$$

$$\implies \text{span}(\vec{u} + \vec{v}, \vec{v} + \vec{w}) \neq \mathbb{R}^3$$

pf 2: Let $\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\implies \vec{u} + \vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{v} + \vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad \text{We}$$

show that $\text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\} \neq \mathbb{R}^3$ by

showing that $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \notin \text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$.

Suppose towards a contradiction that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \exists \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \alpha + \beta \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 = \alpha \\ 0 = \alpha + \beta \\ 1 = \beta \end{cases}$$

But then $0 = \alpha + \beta = 0 + 1 = 1$, contradiction.

9. We can represent each solution by a vector, so we have:

$$\vec{v}_1 = (36, 50, 14), \quad \vec{v}_2 = (44, 46, 10), \quad \vec{v}_3 = (38, 49, 13)$$

The question of a solution being constructible from the other 2 is equivalent to the three vectors being linearly dependent.

Letting $A = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{v}_1 \\ \vec{v}_2 \\ \vec{v}_3 \end{pmatrix}$, be the

matrix with rows $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$, we

want to determine whether the RREF

of A has a pivot in every row.

Row reducing:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 36 & 50 & 14 \\ 44 & 46 & 10 \\ 38 & 49 & 13 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \\ \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_1} \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} 36 & 50 & 14 \\ 8 & -4 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - \frac{1}{4}R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 36 & 50 & 14 \\ 4 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

This shows that \vec{n}_3 is a linear combination of \vec{n}_1 and \vec{n}_2 . To find the exact linear combination,

$$\vec{0} = (\vec{n}_3 - \vec{n}_1) - \frac{1}{4}(\vec{n}_2 - \vec{n}_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{n}_3 = \frac{3}{4}\vec{n}_1 + \frac{1}{4}\vec{n}_2$$

0. (a) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

These 3

(c) Not possible. Let $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3 \in \mathbb{R}^2$. Then $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ are lin dep $\iff \exists \vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$ ($A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$), where $A = (\vec{v}_1 | \vec{v}_2 | \vec{v}_3)$. Since A has 2 rows, the RREF of A has ≤ 2 pivots. Since A has 3 columns, not every col of the RREF of A has a pivot, hence the homogeneous system $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has a non-trivial solution.

(d) Not possible. The proof is the same as (c), with a 3×4 matrix instead of 2×3 .

$$(e) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(f) Not possible, see the argument for 10(d).

12. False, consider $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$,
 $\vec{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. None is a scalar mult of

another, but $\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 - \vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$.

13. True. Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ be s.t.

$$\vec{0} = \alpha \vec{v}_1 + \beta \vec{v}_2 + \gamma \vec{v}_3. \quad \text{Then}$$

$$\vec{0} = \alpha \vec{v}_1 + \beta \vec{v}_2 + \gamma \vec{v}_3 + 0 \cdot \vec{v}_4$$

Since $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4$ are lin. ind,

$$\alpha = 0, \beta = 0, \gamma = 0.$$

So $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$ are lin. ind.