

GIVE DETAILED EXPLANATIONS FOR YOUR ANSWERS.

There are four problems. Each is worth 25 points.

1. Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (a) Can the vector $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ be written as a linear combination of the columns of A ? If your answer is yes, then write \mathbf{b} as a linear combination of the columns of A .
- (b) Do the columns of A span \mathbb{R}^3 ? If your answer is no, then provide one vector in \mathbb{R}^3 which cannot be written as a linear combination of the columns of A .

2. Consider the homogenous equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$. It is given that the matrix A is row equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Write the general solution of the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ in parametric vector form.

3. (a) Write the solution set of the equation $x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$ in parametric vector form.
 (b) Write the solution set of the equation $x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 4$ in parametric vector form.
 (c) Notice that the equations in (3a) and (3b) have identical left hand sides. Provide a geometric comparison of the solution sets in (3a) and (3b).

4. (a) Consider the vectors $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ h \end{bmatrix}$. Determine for what values of the parameter h in \mathbf{v}_3 the vectors \mathbf{v}_1 , \mathbf{v}_2 and \mathbf{v}_3 are linearly dependent.

- (b) Determine if the columns of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ form a linearly independent set.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 & 4 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \boxed{1}$$

(a) Yes, \vec{b} is a linear combination of the columns of A . For example,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

(b) I need to check:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & b_1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & b_2 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 & b_3 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & b_1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & b_2 - b_1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & b_3 - 3b_1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & b_1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & b_2 - b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & b_3 - b_2 - 2b_1 \end{array} \right]$$

If $b_3 - b_2 - 2b_1 \neq 0$ the vector $\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$ is Not in the span of col. of A . For example

$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is NOT in the span of col. of A .

(2) A is 4×5 matrix. There are 5 unknowns: x_1, x_3, x_4 are basic, x_2 and x_5 are free. Set $x_2 = s, x_5 = t$. Then the general solution is

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -s + 3t \\ s \\ -t \\ 2t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot$$

3 a $x_1 = 2x_2 - 3x_3$ 2
 $x_2 = s, x_3 = t$ are free variables.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2s - 3t \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b $x_1 = 4 + 2x_2 - 3x_3$
 $x_2 = s, x_3 = t$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 + 2s - 3t \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

c Geometrically both solutions are planes in \mathbb{R}^3 . These planes are parallel: the first plane passes through the origin, the second plane passes through the head of $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

(4) a 3

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & h \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & -3 & h-9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 - \frac{h}{3} \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3/2 - \frac{h}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

For $h = 9/2$ the system $x_1 \vec{v}_1 + x_2 \vec{v}_2 + x_3 \vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$ will have a nontrivial solution. ~~that~~ such solution is for example:

$$x_3 = \frac{2}{3}, x_2 = -1, x_1 = 0.$$

$$0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - 1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{2}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -3 & 6 \\ 0 & -4 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The columns of A do NOT form a lin. ind. set. They are linearly dependent.

$$1 * (\text{col } 1) + 2(\text{col } 2) - 3(\text{col } 3) = \vec{0}$$