

**Homework 8**  
Math 2568

### Problem 1

A single equation in three variables is given. For each equation write the subspace of solutions in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  as the span of two vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

§5.2, Exercise 1.  $4x - 2y + z = 0$ .

### Problem 2

§5.2, Exercise 9. Write a system of two linear equations of the form  $Ax = 0$  where  $A$  is a  $2 \times 4$  matrix whose subspace of solutions in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  is the span of the two vectors

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

### Problem 3

§5.2, Exercise 20. Let  $Ax = b$  be a system of  $m$  linear equations in  $n$  unknowns, and let  $r = \text{rank}(A)$  and  $s = \text{rank}(A|b)$ . Suppose that this system has a unique solution. What can you say about the relative magnitudes of  $m, n, r, s$ ?

### Problem 4 (MATLAB)

§5.3, Exercise 5. (MATLAB) Use row reduction to find the solutions to  $Ax = 0$  where  $A$  is given in (1). Does your answer agree with the MATLAB answer using `null`? If not, explain why.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 0 & -4 & 3 \\ -4 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

## Problem 5

§5.4, Exercise 1. Let  $w$  be a vector in the vector space  $V$ . Show that the sets of vectors  $\{w, 0\}$  and  $\{w, -w\}$  are linearly dependent.

## Problem 6

§5.4, Exercise 3. Let

$$u_1 = (1, -1, 1) \quad u_2 = (2, 1, -2) \quad u_3 = (10, 2, -6).$$

Is the set  $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  linearly dependent or linearly independent?

## Problem 7

§5.4, Exercise 7. Suppose that the three vectors  $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are linearly independent. Show that the set

$$\{u_1 + u_2, u_2 + u_3, u_3 + u_1\}$$

is also linearly independent.

## Problem 8 (MATLAB)

§5.4, Exercise 11.(MATLAB) Perform the following experiments.

- (a) Use MATLAB to choose randomly three column vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . The MATLAB commands to choose these vectors are:

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y1 = rand(3,1)
y2 = rand(3,1)
y3 = rand(3,1)
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Use the methods of this section to determine whether these vectors are linearly independent or linearly dependent.

- (b) Now perform this exercise five times and record the number of times a linearly independent set of vectors is chosen and the number of times a linearly dependent set is chosen.

- (c) Repeat the experiment in (b) — but this time randomly choose four vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to be in your set.

## Problem 9

§5.5, Exercise 1. Show that  $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  where

$$u_1 = (1, 1, 0) \quad u_2 = (0, 1, 0) \quad u_3 = (-1, 0, 1)$$

is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

## Problem 10

§5.5, Exercise 2. Let  $S = \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  where

$$v_1 = (1, 0, -1, 0) \quad v_2 = (0, 1, 1, 1) \quad v_3 = (5, 4, -1, 4).$$

Find the dimension of  $S$  and find a basis for  $S$ .