

Solutions to Written HW 2

① a) $x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 + x_4 = 0$
 $-3x_1 + x_3 + 2x_4 = 0$ Solution set is $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} \mid \begin{array}{l} x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 + x_4 = 0 \\ \text{and} \\ -3x_1 + x_3 + 2x_4 = 0 \end{array} \right\}$

Solve using G-J: $\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{3R_1 + R_2} \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & -2 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{6}R_2}$

$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2/6 & 5/6 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{-2R_2 + R_1} \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1/3 & -2/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/3 & 5/6 & 0 \end{array} \right)$

$x_1 - \frac{1}{3}x_3 - \frac{2}{3}x_4 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{1}{3}x_3 + \frac{2}{3}x_4$

$x_2 - \frac{1}{3}x_3 + \frac{5}{6}x_4 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{1}{3}x_3 - \frac{5}{6}x_4$

Solutions look like

$x_3 = s$
 $x_4 = t$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3}s + \frac{2}{3}t \\ \frac{1}{3}s - \frac{5}{6}t \\ s \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} s + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{5}{6} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} t$$

So a spanning set is $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{5}{6} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

b) Yes! It's a linearly independent spanning set.

c) 2 (number of elements in basis)

d) 2 $\rightarrow x_3$ and x_4 do not have pivots

② Let $a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + a_4x^4 = p(x) \in P_4$.

Then $p'(x) = a_1 + 2a_2x + 3a_3x^2 + 4a_4x^3$

$p''(x) = 2a_2 + 6a_3x + 12a_4x^2$

$p(1) = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 = 0$
 $p'(0) = a_1 = 0$
 $p''(0) = 2a_2 = 0$

$\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$ row echelon form!

$a_0 = -a_3 - a_4$

$p(x) \in W$ if $p(x) = (-a_3 - a_4) + a_3x^3 + a_4x^4$ (this is the span)

Easy way to find a basis \rightarrow set $a_3 = 1, a_4 = 0$
 set $a_3 = 0, a_4 = 1$

$p_1(x) = -1 + x^3$
 $p_2(x) = -1 + x^4$

$\{x^3 - 1, x^4 - 1\}$

③ a) Augmented:

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 14 \end{array} \right)$$

RREF:

$$\rightsquigarrow \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad 0 \neq 1$$

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pivot in RHS

No Solution

b) Augmented:

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

RREF:

$$\rightsquigarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

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pivot in
each column
in coefficient

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix}$$

c) Augmented:

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 6 \end{array} \right)$$

RREF:

$$\rightsquigarrow \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

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no pivots, free variables.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 4-s-t \\ -6+2s+3t \\ s \\ t \end{Bmatrix} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix}} \right\} s, t \in \mathbb{R}$$