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Problem 1) (20 points) True or False? No justifications are needed.

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If A, B are given $n \times n$ matrices, then the formula $(A - B)(A + B) = A^2 - B^2$ holds.

Solution:

Matrix multiplication is not commutative.

T F

The rank of a diagonal matrix equals the number of non-zero entries.

Solution:

A diagonal matrix can easily be put into row reduced echelon form by scaling the nonzero entries. These nonzero entries become leading 1.

T F

The composition of a shear, a reflection, and a rotation in the plane is invertible.

Solution:

Each of these transformations is invertible. So is their composition.

T F

If for a $n \times n$ matrix $A^{67} = I_n$, where I_n is the identity matrix, then A is invertible.

Solution:

If A were not invertible, it had a nontrivial \vec{v} in the kernel and $A\vec{v} = \vec{0}$ implies $A^{67}\vec{v} = \vec{0}$ which would mean A^{67} were not invertible.

T F

There exists a linear transformation T from \mathbf{R}^3 to \mathbf{R}^2 for which $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution:

The three conditions together violate linearity. Note that the vectors in the two last equations add up to the vector in the first equation.

T F

If A is a $n \times n$ matrix such that $A^3 = I_n$, then A is the identity matrix I_n .

Solution:

A could be a rotation by $2\pi/3$ for example.

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There exists an invertible 3×3 matrix A such that 4 of its entries are 0.

Solution:

An example is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

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It can happen that in $\text{rref}(A)$ there are rows for which all entries are nonzero.

Solution:

Yes, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an example. Note that for $m \times n$ matrices with $m > 1$, this is not possible.

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It can happen that in $\text{rref}(A)$, there are columns for which all entries are nonzero.

Solution:

Yes, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an example. An other example is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

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The rank of a 3×4 matrix can be at most 3.

Solution:

True, look at the row reduced echelon form. There can be maximally 3 leading 1.

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The rank of a 4×3 matrix may be 4.

Solution:

Again, look at the row reduced echelon form. There can be maximally 3 leading 1.

T F

If A, B are $n \times n$ matrices such that AB is invertible, then A is invertible.

Solution:

Yes, $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ gives the inverse $A^{-1} = B(AB)^{-1}$.

T F

If A, B are invertible $n \times n$ matrices, then AB is similar to BA .

Solution:

We need to find S such that $S^{-1}ABS = BA$. Just take $S = A$.

T F

The number of leading ones in $\text{rref}(A)$ is the dimension of the image of A .

Solution:

That is a basic property of the rank = dimension of the image.

T F

There exists a linear transformation whose image consists of exactly 3 distinct points.

Solution:

If P, Q, R are the three points, any linear combination of $P - Q$ and $R - Q$ is also in the image.

T F

If T is a linear transformation then $\ker(T^7)$ is contained in $\ker(T)$.

Solution:

It is the other way round. If \vec{v} is in the kernel of T then \vec{v} is in the kernel of T^7 . There are transformations where $T^7(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$ for all \vec{x} but T is not the zero matrix. Take for example $T(x) = S(x) - x$, where S is the shear.

T F

If A and B are invertible $n \times n$ matrices, then so is $A + B$.

Solution:

False, take for example $B = -A$ where A is invertible.

T F

There exists a linear transformation T from \mathbf{R}^3 to \mathbf{R}^3 for which $\ker(T) = \text{im}(T)$.

Solution:

The dimensions of the image and the kernel would be the same. The dimension formula would show that $n = 3$ is an even number.

T F

There exists a linear transformation T from \mathbf{R}^4 to \mathbf{R}^4 for which $\ker(T) = \text{im}(T)$.

Solution:

Yes, you have seen an example in \mathbf{R}^2 , it was $T(x) = S(x) - x$ where S is the shear. The transformation $R(x, y) = (T(x), T(y))$, where (x, y) are in \mathbf{R}^2 is a linear transformation on \mathbf{R}^4 and the image is equal to kernel. The matrix belonging to this transformation is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Problem 2) (10 points)

Match each of matrices with one of the geometric descriptions below. You don't have to give explanations.

| Matrix | Enter A-H here. |
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| a) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| b) $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| c) $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| d) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |

| Matrix | Enter A-H here. |
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| e) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| f) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| g) $\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| h) $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |

- A) Shear along a plane.
- B) Projection onto a plane.
- C) Rotation around an axes.
- D) Reflection at a point.
- E) Projection onto a line.
- F) Reflection at a plane.
- G) Reflection at a line.
- H) Identity transformation.

Solution:

- a) = B)
- b) = C)
- c) = D)
- d) = F)
- e) = A)
- f) = H)
- g) = E)
- h) = G)

Problem 3) (10 points)

Which of the following sets are linear spaces? You have to give explanations.

- 1) The image of the transformation \mathbf{R}^2 to \mathbf{R}^2 given by $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$.
- 2) The kernel of the projection from \mathbf{R}^3 to \mathbf{R}^2 .
- 3) The solutions of the equation $2x + 3y - 5z = 12$ in \mathbf{R}^3 .
- 4) All the points (x, y, z) in \mathbf{R}^3 which satisfy $\begin{bmatrix} x & y & z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = 0$.

Solution:

- a) It is a nonlinear map, but the image is a linear subspace, namely \mathbf{R}^2 .
- b) The kernel is always a linear space.
- c) The solution space does not contain 0, so it can't be a linear subspace.
- d) The solution is the set $\{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 0\}$ which is a linear subspace of \mathbf{R}^3 .

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| Problem 4) (10 points) |
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In both problems, you have to find the solutions using Gauss-Jordan elimination.

- a) (5 points) Find all solutions of $A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 6 & 5 \\ 7 & 9 & 7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution:

$$x = 1/2, y = 1/2, z = -1.$$

- b) (5 points) Find all solutions to

$$\begin{aligned} x + y - 2z + 3w &= 4 \\ 2x + 3y + 3z - w &= 3 \\ 5x + 7y + 4z + w &= 10 \end{aligned}$$

Solution:

There are infinitely many solutions. One of the solutions is $\begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ -5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. We can add elements of the kernel of the coefficient matrix A and still have solutions.

Since $\text{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -9 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, the kernel is $w = t, z = s, y = 7t - 7s, x = -10t + 9s$

so that a general element in the kernel is $s \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ -7 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -10 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

A general solution is $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ -5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ -7 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -10 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Problem 5) (10 points)

- a) (2 points) Find the 2×2 matrix A which defines the reflection S at the line $x = y$.
- b) (2 points) Find the 2×2 matrix B which defines the counter clockwise rotation T with angle $60^\circ = \pi/3$ in the plane.
- c) (2 points) Find the matrix $C = BA$ which belongs to the transformation $T \circ S$ which maps x to $T(S(x))$, where we first reflect and the rotate. What does this transformation do geometrically?
- d) (2 points) Find the matrix C^{-1} which belongs to the inverse of the transformation $T \circ S$.
- e) (2 points) Write C^{-1} as a product $C^{-1} = DR$ of a reflection R and a rotation D .

Solution:

a) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

b) $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$.

c) $BA = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \end{bmatrix}$. It is again a reflection at

a line. To see that algebraically, realize that it is of the form $\begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\alpha) & \sin(2\alpha) \\ \sin(2\alpha) & -\cos(2\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$.

Geometrically, a rotation with angle α can be realized as the composition of two reflections at lines which form an angle $\alpha/2$. Doing this with two lines, where one of them is the line $x = y$ shows that BA is a reflection at a line which forms the angle $\pi/4 + \pi/6$ with the x -axes.

d) $C^{-1} = (BA)^{-1} = A^{-1}B^{-1}$. Because C is a reflection, also $C^{-1} = C$ is a reflection.

e) Because $C = BA$, we have $C^{-1} = A^{-1}B^{-1}$. Now $A^{-1} = A$ is a reflection, B^{-1} is a rotation by $-\pi/3$.

Problem 6) (10 points)

The matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ defines a linear transformation in the standard basis. How does the matrix to this transformation look like in the basis $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$?

Solution:

Define $S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Now $B = S^{-1}AS = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Problem 7) (10 points)

Is the linear transformation $T(x) = A(x)$ with

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

a shear? If so, find the line along which it is centered. (It is enough to give a nonzero vector \vec{v} in that line.)

Solution:

Check that $T(\vec{x}) - \vec{x}$ is parallel to a fixed vector. It is enough to check that for two vectors: form $T\vec{e}_1 - \vec{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $T\vec{e}_2 - \vec{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Because both vectors are parallel to $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, we know also that linear combinations of \vec{e}_1 and \vec{e}_2 are parallel to \vec{v} . The transformation is a shear.

Problem 8) (10 points)

Find a basis for the kernel and the image of the following matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and describe the kernel and the image geometrically.

Solution:

$\text{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. The image is two dimensional and spanned by the two first column vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ of A . The kernel is spanned by $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. The image is a plane, the kernel is the z -axes.

Problem 9) (10 points)

If A is a 4×5 matrix of rank 4. In each of the following questions, we need not only the answer but also a short explanation.

- a) (2 points) Can the linear map $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ be invertible ?
- b) (3 points) What is the dimension of the image?
- c) (3 points) What is the dimension of the kernel?
- d) (2 points) How many solutions will the equation $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ have?

Solution:

- a) No, the matrix is not a square matrix
- b) The image is four dimensional.
- c) The kernel is one dimensional by the dimension formula.
- d) Infinitely many. Given a solution, we can add an element in the kernel and get a new solution.