

PROBLEM SET #2

Due Friday, September 13, 2024 @ 12:30 pm

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*Remember to review the **Guidelines for Problem Sets** on the course webpage when writing up your solutions!*

You may use Mathematica for your calculations unless you are explicitly told to do the computation by hand.

When you use Mathematica, be sure to take a screen shot of the relevant parts of your notebook to include in your writeup.

1. Consider the augmented matrix $\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 44 & 89 & 6 & -357 \\ -16 & -32 & -2 & 130 \\ 10 & 21 & 2 & -80 \end{array} \right]$

- (a) This augmented matrix corresponds to a system of linear equations in three variables. What is the system of equations?
- (b) This augmented matrix corresponds to a vector equations in three variables. What is the vector equation?
- (c) This augmented matrix corresponds to a matrix equation $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$. What are A and \vec{b} ?
- (d) Solve the system, and give your answer as a solution to the system from part (a).

2. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & -6 & 1 & -7 \\ 3 & 9 & -4 & 18 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -23 \\ 57 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (a) Write the general solution to $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ in parametric form.
 - (b) Are the columns of A linear independent or linearly dependent? Explain.
 - (c) Do the columns of A span \mathbb{R}^4 ? Explain.
 - (d) Does \vec{b} lie in the span of the columns of A ? Explain.
3. Each statement is either true (in all cases) or false (for at least one example). If false, construct a specific counterexample to show that the statement is not always true. If a statement is true, give a justification. (One specific example cannot explain why a statement is always true.)
- (a) The columns of every 3×5 matrix A are linearly dependent.
 - (b) If $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$ are in \mathbb{R}^3 and \vec{v}_3 is *not* a linear combination of \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 then $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ is linearly independent.
 - (c) If \vec{u} and \vec{v} are linear independent and \vec{w} lies in $\text{Span}\{\vec{u}, \vec{v}\}$, then $\{\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w}\}$ is linearly dependent.

(The problem is very similar to Exercises 1.7.33-38 from the text, Lay's Linear Algebra, 4th edition)