

Provide the precise definition of each of the following concept: The span of a set of vectors  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ .

All linear combinations of the vectors  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ . All vectors of the form  $c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n$ .

A set of vectors  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  being linearly independent.

The only solution of to  $c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$  is  $c_i = 0$  for all  $i$ .

The elementary row operations.

Scaling (multiplying a row by a scalar), add a multiple of a row to another row, and switch two rows.

The determinant of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ .

The cofactor expansion along the first row.  $\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{1,j}(-1)^{j+1} \det(A_{1,j})$ .

TRUE/FALSE. Determine whether the followings statements are true or false. Be sure to provide a reason for your answer. Let  $T : \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^m$  be a linear transformation. Let  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  be a set of linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^m$ . Then the set of vectors  $\{T(\mathbf{v}_1), \dots, T(\mathbf{v}_n)\}$  is also linearly independent.

FALSE. Consider  $T : \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  by  $T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ .

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two invertible matrices. Then  $ABA^{-1}$  is invertible.

TRUE.  $(AB^{-1}A^{-1})(ABA^{-1}) = I$ .

If  $A$  and  $B$  are square and  $AB = I$  then  $\det(A) = 0$ .

FALSE.  $A$  is invertible and hence  $\det(A) \neq 0$ .

Let  $T(\mathbf{x})$  be a linear transformation.  $T$  is one to one if and only if the kernel of  $T$  is  $\{0\}$ .

TRUE. This was a lemma from class.  $T(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$ . So if  $T$  is one to one then the kernel of  $T$  is  $\{0\}$ . Now assume the kernel of  $T$  is  $\{0\}$  and  $T$  is not one to one. So  $T(\mathbf{x}) = T(\mathbf{y})$  where  $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{y}$ .  $\mathbf{0} = T(\mathbf{x}) - T(\mathbf{y}) = T(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$ . Hence  $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{0}$  is in the kernel of  $T$ . Contradiction.

Let  $A$  be the following matrix:

$$A = abcdefghi$$

if  $\det A = 1$  then (hint: use the properties of determinant)  $\det abc$   
 $-2d - 2e - 2f$   
 $ghi = ?$

The above matrix is the result of scaling the second row of  $A$  by  $-2$ . This action multiples determinant of  $A$  by  $-2$ . So the determinant is  $-2$ .

$$\det abc$$
$$a + db + ec + f$$
$$ghi = ?$$

The above matrix is the result of adding the first row to the second row of  $A$ . This action does not affect the determinant. The determinant is 1.

Describe the null space of the matrix:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -11 & -1 \\ -22 & -13 \\ 3 & -231 \\ 4 & -44 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find all solutions of the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , where  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 8 \\ 4 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$ .

To save time we will row-reduce the matrix  $[A|\mathbf{b}]$ . It reduces to  $\begin{pmatrix} 10024 \\ 010410 \\ 00114 \\ 00000 \end{pmatrix}$ . Hence a spanning set for the null space is  $\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

1. A solution for  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is  $\mathbf{x}_p = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 10 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

and all the solutions are in the form  $\mathbf{x}_p + \mathbf{x}$ , where  $\mathbf{x}$  is in the null space of  $A$ .

Write 1 as a linear combination of 1 and  $-1$ .

2. We must solve the equation  $x_1 = 1$

$$1 + x_2 = 1$$

$$x_2 = 0$$

4. The augmented matrix of this system is  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -11 \\ 124 \end{pmatrix}$  which row-reduces to  $\begin{pmatrix} 1011 \\ 124 \end{pmatrix}$ . Hence  $x_1 = 21$

$x_2 = 1$

$x_3 = 1$

$$1 + (-1) = 0$$

$$2 = 1$$

4.

Let  $T : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  be a linear transformation. If  $T(1, 1) = (2, 3)$ ,  $T(-1, 2) = (4, 5)$  then  $T(1, 4) = ?$ .

$T(1, 4) = T(2(1, 1) + (-1, 2)) = 2T(1, 1) + T(-1, 2) = 2(2, 3) + (4, 5) = (4, 6) + (4, 5) = (8, 11)$ , since  $T$  is a linear transformation.

Let  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$  be linearly independent vectors. Show that  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_3$  are linearly independent vectors.

Assume that  $x_1\mathbf{v}_1 + x_2(\mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2) + x_3(\mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_3) = \mathbf{0}$ . Then  $(x_1 + x_2)\mathbf{v}_1 + (-x_2 + x_3)\mathbf{v}_2 + x_3\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0}$ . Since  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$  are linearly independent vectors,  $x_1 + x_2 = 0$ ,  $-x_2 + x_3 = 0$  and  $x_3 = 0$ . Hence  $x_1 = x_2 = 0$  and therefore  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_3$  are linearly independent vectors.