



2. (a) 15 points Let T be a linear transformation defined by $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -7 \\ -3 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$. Find a vector \mathbf{x} whose image under T is $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, and determine whether \mathbf{x} is unique.

Solution: Let us solve the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -7 & -2 \\ -3 & 7 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -7 & -2 \\ 0 & -8 & -16 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -7 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_3 \text{ is free} \Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{1}{2} - 2x_3$$

$$x_1 = -2 + 5x_2 + 7x_3 = -2 + 5\left(\frac{1}{2} - 2x_3\right) + 7x_3 = \frac{1}{2} - 3x_3$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} - 3x_3 \\ \frac{1}{2} - 2x_3 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_3$$

The system has infinitely many solutions depend on on parameter. For example, we may take $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

- (b) 10 points Assume that $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a linear transformation and $T(\mathbf{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $T(\mathbf{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$, and $T(\mathbf{e}_3) = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$, where $\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3$ are the columns of the 3×3 identity matrix. Find the standard matrix of T .

Solution:

$$T = [T(\mathbf{e}_1) \quad T(\mathbf{e}_2) \quad T(\mathbf{e}_3)] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -5 \\ 3 & -7 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$



3. (a) 10 points Find a matrix A such that $\text{Col}A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2s + 3t \\ r + s - 2t \\ 4r + s \\ 3r - s - t \end{bmatrix} : r, s, t \text{ real} \right\}$.

Solution:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2s + 3t \\ r + s - 2t \\ 4r + s \\ 3r - s - t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} r + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} t \Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) 15 points The set $\mathcal{B} = \{1 - t^2, t - t^2, 2 - 2t + t^2\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{P}_2 . Find the coordinate vector of $\mathbf{p}(t) = 3 + t - 6t^2$ relative to \mathcal{B} .

Solution:

$$[\mathbf{p}(t)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow 3 + t - 6t^2 = c_1(1 - t^2) + c_2(t - t^2) + c_3(2 - 2t + t^2)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c_3 = -2, \quad c_2 - 2c_3 = 1 \Rightarrow c_2 = -3, \quad c_1 + 2c_3 = 3 \Rightarrow c_1 = 7$$

$$[\mathbf{p}(t)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$



4. 25 points Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(a) Find a basis for the null space of A

Solution: Let us solve the system $Ax = \mathbf{0}$.

$$\begin{aligned} x_4 - 2x_5 - 3x_3 &= 0 \Rightarrow x_4 = 2x_5 + 3x_3 \\ x_3 - 3x_4 + x_5 &= 0 \Rightarrow x_3 = 3x_4 - x_5 = 5x_5 + 9x_6 \\ x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_4 - x_5 + x_6 &\Rightarrow x_1 = -3x_2 - 2x_4 + x_5 - x_6 = -3x_2 - 3x_5 - 7x_6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \\ x_6 \\ x_7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3x_2 - 3x_5 - 7x_6 \\ x_2 \\ 5x_5 + 9x_6 \\ 2x_5 + 3x_6 \\ x_5 \\ x_6 \\ x_7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_2 + \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 5 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_5 + \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 0 \\ 9 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_6$$

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 5 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 0 \\ 9 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ forms a basis for Nul } A.$$

(b) Find a basis for the column space of A

Solution: The pivot columns of A forms a basis for column space of A . Therefore, $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ forms a basis for Col A .

(c) Determine the nullity and rank of A .

Solution: The nullity of the matrix A is $\dim(\text{Nul } A) = 3$
The rank of the matrix A is $\dim(\text{Col } A) = 3$.