

Math 308 L - Spring 2017
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- This exam consists of EIGHT problems on FIVE pages, including this cover sheet.
- Show all work for full credit.
- You may use a scientific, non-graphing, non-algebraic calculator during this exam. Other calculators and electronic device are not permitted.
- You do not need to simplify your answers.
- If you use a trial-and-error or guess-and-check method when a more rigorous method is available, you will not receive full credit.
- If you write on the back of the page, please indicate that you have done so!
- Draw a box around your final answer to each problem.
- You may use one hand-written double-sided 8.5" by 11" page of notes.
- You have 50 minutes to complete the exam.

3. [14 points] Can you write the vector $\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ as a linear combination of $\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$?
If so, do it. If not, why not?

Let's solve: $x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 & -4 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 5 & 10 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 4 & 6 & -4 \\ 5 & 10 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow R_2 - 4R_1 \\ \rightarrow R_3 - 5R_1 \end{array}$

$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -6 & -24 \\ 0 & -5 & -20 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \div (-6) \\ \div (-5) \end{array} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow R_1 - 3R_2 \\ \rightarrow R_3 - R_2 \end{array} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -7 \\ x_2 = 4 \end{array}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = -7 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + 4 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. [15 points] Here are four vectors: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) For what values of z_1 and z_2 do these vectors span \mathbb{R}^3 ?

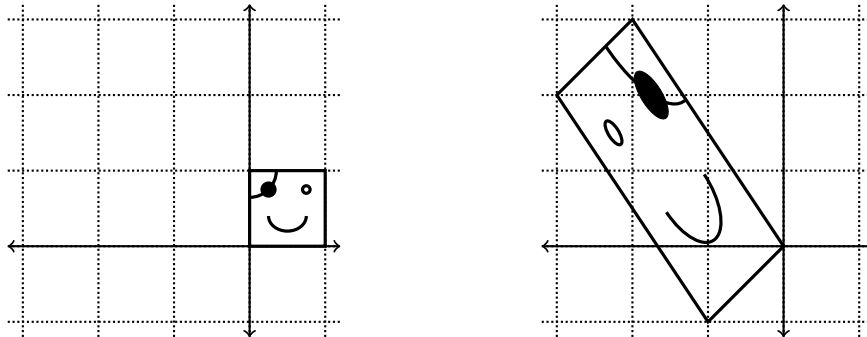
Reduce $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & z_1 & z_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1 \\ \rightarrow R_3 + R_1 \end{array} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & z_1 - 1 & z_2 + 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$

$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & z_1 - 5 & z_2 + 3 \end{bmatrix}$ spans \mathbb{R}^3 if and only if this row is not all zeroes, so unless $z_1 = 5$ & $z_2 = -3$.

(b) For what values of z_1 and z_2 are these vectors linearly independent?

None! 4 vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 are always linearly dependent.

5. [10 points] Below on the left is a picture of Victor, a humble unit square chilling in \mathbb{R}^2 . One day, a witch cursed him with a linear transformation, turning him into the parallelogram on the right!



The witch's spell was formed by applying the function $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ for some matrix A . What's A ?

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

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 $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)$ $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right)$

6. [12 points] Find three vectors \mathbf{u}_1 , \mathbf{u}_2 , and \mathbf{u}_3 such that each of the pairs $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$, $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_3\}$, and $\{\mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$ are linearly independent, but $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$ are linearly **dependent**.

Any 3 non-parallel vectors that lie in a plane.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ for example.}$$

7. [10 points] Let $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - 4 \\ x_1 + x_2 \end{bmatrix}$. Is this a linear transformation? Why or why not?

No! $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

But that means $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) + T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

8. [3 points per part] Here, I bought you this linear transformation:

$$T(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

Answer the following questions. Explain your reasoning!

(a) What's the domain of T ?

\mathbb{R}^4 ← because there are 4 columns.

(b) What's the codomain of T ?

\mathbb{R}^3 ← because there are 3 rows.

(c) Is T one-to-one?

No! Four column vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 cannot be linearly independent.

(d) Is T onto?

Yes! The column vectors span \mathbb{R}^3 . (You can tell because the matrix is in echelon form and there's no row of all zeroes.)