

1. (5pts) Evaluate the determinant by any (efficient) method:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 & 3 & -1 & -4 \\ 4 & 7 & 2 & 3 & 15 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 7 \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 & 2 \\ -4 & -3 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 4 \end{vmatrix}^2 = (3 \cdot 7 - 4 \cdot 2) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 7 & 4 \\ 0 & -6 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

may evaluate blocks

$$= 13 \cdot 2 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 7 & 4 \\ -6 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

↑ expand by first column

$$= 26 \cdot (7 \cdot 2 + 6 \cdot 4)$$

$$= 26 \cdot 38$$

$$= 988$$

2. (3pts) If $\det A = -5$ and A is a 2×2 matrix, find:

$$\det A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} = -\frac{1}{5}$$

$$\det(3A) = 3^2 \cdot \det A = -45$$

$$\det A^4 = (\det A)^4 = (-5)^4 = 625$$

3. (6pts) Let $Ax = b$ be a linear system whose solution is given below (A is a 2×4 matrix).

a) Write any two solutions of the system.

b) Write the general solution of the system $Ax = 0$.

c) State the vectors that span the solution space of $Ax = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 3 & -2s & +4t \\ x_2 &= 7 & +3s \\ x_3 &= -1 & +8s & -7t \\ x_4 &= -5s & +t \end{aligned}$$

$$a) s=0, t=0 \quad b) \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -2s+4t \\ 3s \\ 8s-7t \\ -5s+t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 8 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ -7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$s=1, t=-1$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 10 \\ 14 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

c) these vectors span the solution space of $A\vec{x}=0$

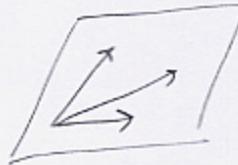
4. (6pts) Determine whether the vectors $(1, 3, 2)$, $(-2, 0, 7)$ and $(5, 3, -12)$ are linearly independent. Then draw a picture of these vectors that captures their relative positions to one another. Do not pay attention to actual coordinates.

Check if $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 7 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ has only the trivial solution.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 7 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(2)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 6 & -12 \\ 2 & 7 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{swap}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 6 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(6)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

↑ free param.

Solution set has a free parameter so infinitely many solutions, therefore they are linearly dependent.



Vectors all lie in a plane in \mathbb{R}^3

5. (6pts) The matrix A is given below.

- a) Find the eigenvalues for the matrix.
b) For each eigenvalue, find a corresponding eigenvector.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad a) \det(\lambda I - A) = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 3 & -1 \\ 1 & \lambda - 5 \end{vmatrix} = (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 5) - (-1) \\ = \lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 16 = (\lambda - 4)^2$$

$$(\lambda - 4)^2 = 0, \lambda = 4 \text{ only eigenvalue}$$

$$b) 4I - A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -x_2 = t \\ x_2 = t \end{array}$$

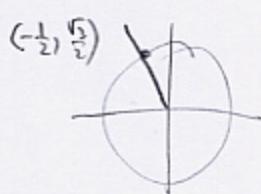
$$\text{eigenvector for } \lambda = 4: \begin{bmatrix} t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. (4pts) Let $T : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$ be the rotation about the origin by 120° .

a) Write the standard matrix of this transformation.

b) Find $T(1, 3)$.

$$[T] = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 120^\circ & -\sin 120^\circ \\ \sin 120^\circ & \cos 120^\circ \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

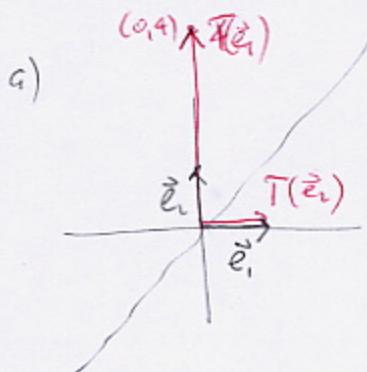


$$T(1, 3) = [T] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1+3\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}-3}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

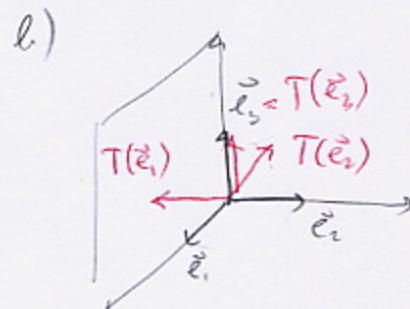
7. (7pts) Write the standard matrices for the following linear operators.

a) $T : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$, T dilates by 4 in the x -direction, then reflects in the line $y = x$.

b) $T : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$, T rotates about the positive z -axis by 90° , then reflects in the xz -plane.



$$[T] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$[T] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

8. (4pts) Show that the set of vectors of form $(a, b, 3a - 2b)$ is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^3 .

$$\vec{u} = (a_1, b_1, 3a_1 - 2b_1)$$

$$\vec{v} = (a_2, b_2, 3a_2 - 2b_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u} + \vec{v} &= (a_1 + a_2, b_1 + b_2, 3a_1 - 2b_1 + 3a_2 - 2b_2) \\ &= (a_1 + a_2, b_1 + b_2, 3(a_1 + a_2) - 2(b_1 + b_2)) \end{aligned} \quad \text{has form } (a, b, 3a - 2b)$$

$$c\vec{u} = (ca_1, cb_1, c(3a_1 - 2b_1)) = (ca_1, cb_1, 3ca_1 - 2cb_1)$$

9. (9pts) Are the following statements true or false? Justify your answer by giving a logical argument or a counterexample.

- If $\det A = 0$, then $\lambda = 1$ cannot be an eigenvalue of A .
- If A is orthogonal, then $\det A \neq 0$.
- If $T : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$ is a linear operator, then $T(\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}$ for every \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} in \mathbf{R}^2 .

a) False. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ eigenvalues: 0, 1 (on diagonal)
yet $\det A = 0$

b) (true)
A orthogonal means $A^T A = I$ so A is invertible,
which means $\det A \neq 0$

c) False: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $A\vec{e}_1 \cdot A\vec{e}_2 = 2$
 $\uparrow \quad \uparrow$ yet $\vec{e}_1 \cdot \vec{e}_2 = 0$
 $A\vec{e}_1 \quad A\vec{e}_2$

Bonus. (5pts) Show that

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & y & y^2 \\ 1 & z & z^2 \end{vmatrix} = (y-x)(z-x)(z-y)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (-1)^{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & y & y^2 \\ 1 & z & z^2 \end{pmatrix}} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 0 & y-x & y^2-x^2 \\ 0 & z-x & z^2-x^2 \end{vmatrix} = (y-x)(z-x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 0 & 1 & y+x \\ 0 & 1 & z+x \end{vmatrix} \cdot (-1) = (y-x)(z-x)(z-y) \\
 & \text{factor out } y-x, z-x \text{ from 2nd, 3rd row} \\
 & \det = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot (z-y)
 \end{aligned}$$