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Problem (1) TF questions (14 points) Circle the correct letter and provide a brief justification. (Each problem gives 1 point for a correct answer and 1 point for a correct justification.)

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(a) There is a linear transformation T satisfying $T \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$$T \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 10 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Answer: False. Let $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$. We are given $T(v_1) = w_1$. We also know $5v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 10 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix}$. $T(5v_1) = 5T(v_1) = 5(w_1)$ but $\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix}$. So, T cannot be linear.

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(b) If two nonzero vectors are linearly dependent, then each of them is a scalar multiple of the other.

Answer: True. By definition the vectors are collinear and thus scalar multiples.

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(c) If two vectors are linearly dependent, then each of them is a scalar multiple of the other. (Hint: Notice one word is missing compared to the statement in (b).)

Answer: False. $\vec{0}$ is linearly dependent with all other vectors, but no scalar multiple of $\vec{0}$ will yield a non-zero vector.

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(d) If a 3×3 matrix A represents the projection onto a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 , then the rank of A is 2.

Answer: True. $\text{im}(A)$ is plane and $\text{rank}(A)=\dim(\text{im}(A))=2$.

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(e) There exists a 2×2 matrix B such that $B^4 = I_2$, where I_2 is the identity matrix.

Answer: True. $B = I_2$ works.

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(f) The composition of a horizontal shear with a vertical shear is the identity matrix.

Answer: False. Not true in general (pick any two non-trivial shears to check).

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(g) The nullity of a matrix A plus the rank of A equals the number of columns of A .

Answer: True. This is precisely the Rank-Nullity Theorem.

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -5 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) (5 points) Find $\text{rref}(A)$.
- (b) (5 points) Find a vector \vec{b} such that the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has infinitely many solutions, or explain why there is no such vector.
- (c) (5 points) Find a vector \vec{b} such that the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has exactly one solution, or explain why there is no such vector.
- (d) (5 points) Find a vector \vec{b} such that the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has no solutions, or explain why there is no such vector.

Answers:

- (a) Add row I to III, Add II to I, Divide II by -1, Subtract II from III, Swap IV and III to get $\text{rref}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

(b) Since nullity of $A=1$, the kernel spans a line so $\vec{b} = \vec{0}$ has infinite solutions.

(c) Since $\text{rank}(A) < 4$, A^{-1} does not exist, so there is no vector which would yield exactly one solution.

- (d) Since one row of $\text{rref}(A)$ has all zeroes, this $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix}$ is possible to find. We can use an augmented

matrix to see what configurations will yield a contradiction. First, take $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & a \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -5 & b \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & d \end{pmatrix}$ and

perform Gauss-Jordan elimination (add row I to III, II to I, Multiply II by -1, Subtract II from III) to get

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 & a+b \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 & -b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a+b+c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & d \end{pmatrix}$. Clearly if $a+b+c \neq 0$ a contradiction occurs, and we get an inconsistent

system. One such \vec{b} is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Consider

$$T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = A\vec{x}$$

- (a) (5 points) Find the rank of A .
- (b) (5 points) Find a basis \mathcal{B} of \mathbb{R}^2 such that the \mathcal{B} -matrix of the linear transformation is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

or explain why that is not possible.

- (c) (5 points) Find a basis \mathcal{B}' of \mathbb{R}^2 such that the \mathcal{B}' -matrix B' of the linear transformation T is upper triangular or explain why that is not possible.
- (d) (5 points) Express $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ in the basis \mathcal{B} given by vectors $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

Answers:

(a)

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0 + 1 = 1 \neq 0$$

It follows that the rank of A is 2. Another way to see that is to compute $\text{rref}(A)$, which is the identity.

(b) No such basis exists. Here is why:

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

This means \mathcal{B} -matrix of T is not invertible, whereas A is invertible since it has full rank. Similar matrices must either be both invertible or both non-invertible. Another way to solve this problem was to look at SAS^{-1} for some general

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

and show that the resulting system in $a, b, c,$ and d had no solution.

(c) No such basis exists. The transformation T is a clockwise rotation by 90 degrees (check how it maps the standard vectors \vec{e}_1 and \vec{e}_2). If B' is upper triangular, then it equals

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$$

Assume there exists some basis $\mathcal{B} = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$ in which T has matrix B' .

$$B'\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = a\vec{v}_1$$

For a rotation, there does not exist a vector \vec{v}_1 with such property. As for part (b), another way to solve this problem was to look at SAS^{-1} for some general

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

and show that the resulting system in $a, b, c,$ and d had no solution.

(d) Set up the system $c_1\vec{v}_1 + c_2\vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}$, which leads to

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

There is an unique solution given by $c_1 = -10$ and $c_2 = 4$.

- (a) (5 points) Find A , the matrix of projection in \mathbb{R}^2 onto the line $y = 3x$.
- (b) (5 points) Find B , the matrix of a counterclockwise rotation by 90 degrees also in \mathbb{R}^2 .
- (c) (5 points) Find the rank of ABA .
- (d) (5 points) Find the rank of BAA .
- (e) (6 points) Let

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 5 & 7 & 1 & 6 & 5 & 9 \\ 4 & 9 & 3 & 8 & 4 & 8 \\ 9 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 9 & 7 \\ 1 & 8 & 5 & 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Is D invertible? Justify your answer. (Hint: there is no computation necessary).

Answers:

- (a) Unit vector in direction of line is $\begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{10} \\ 3/\sqrt{10} \end{pmatrix}$ so if $u_1 = 1/\sqrt{10}$ and $u_2 = 3/\sqrt{10}$, $A = \begin{pmatrix} (u_1)^2 & (u_1 u_2) \\ (u_1 u_2) & (u_2)^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/10 & 3/10 \\ 3/10 & 9/10 \end{pmatrix}$.
- (b) $B = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 90 & -\sin 90 \\ \sin 90 & \cos 90 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.
- (c) $\text{Rank}(ABA) = \dim(\text{im}(ABA))$, and the image of ABA is just the result of projecting onto $y = 3x$, rotating by 90 degrees, and projecting back onto $y = 3x$. This will have $\dim=0$ since the rotation will be perpendicular to the line. Could also multiply out the matrices directly.
- (d) Since $AA=A$ (A is a projection), $\text{rank}(BAA) = \text{rank}(BA) = \dim(\text{im}(BA))$, but this is just $y = 3x$ rotated by 90 degrees. Therefore the image of BAA is a line, and $\dim(\text{im}(BAA)) = 1 = \text{rank}(BAA)$.
- (e) D is not invertible since the first and fifth columns are the same and therefore not linearly independent.

Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 such that the matrix of $proj_V$ is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{49} & \frac{12}{49} & \frac{6}{49} \\ \frac{12}{49} & \frac{36}{49} & \frac{18}{49} \\ \frac{6}{49} & \frac{18}{49} & \frac{9}{49} \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) (5 points) What is $\dim V$?
- (b) (5 points) Find a basis of V .
- (c) (5 points) Find a basis of V^\perp .
- (d) (5 points) Find the matrix of $proj_{V^\perp}$.

Answers:

(a)

$$V = \text{Im } proj_V = \text{span} \left(\begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{49} \\ \frac{12}{49} \\ \frac{6}{49} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \frac{12}{49} \\ \frac{36}{49} \\ \frac{18}{49} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \frac{6}{49} \\ \frac{18}{49} \\ \frac{9}{49} \end{pmatrix} \right) = \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This means V is a line, so $\dim V = 1$.

(b) $V = \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

- (c) $\dim V^\perp = 3 - 1 = 2$, so we need a basis of two vectors. Notice that V^\perp is given by all vectors perpendicular to $\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$. We are then looking for two such vectors, \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 such that $\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v}_1 = 0$ and $\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v}_2 = 0$.

Take for example

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\vec{v}_2 = \vec{w} \times \vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 9 \\ -20 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (d) To project we need an orthonormal basis for the space we project upon. The basis found in (c) is orthogonal but not orthonormal. We fix that by normalizing it.

$$\vec{u}_1 = \frac{\vec{v}_1}{\|\vec{v}_1\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{u}_2 = \frac{\vec{v}_2}{\|\vec{v}_2\|} = \frac{1}{7\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 9 \\ -20 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{proj}_{V^\perp} \vec{x} = \vec{x}^\parallel = (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u}_1) \vec{u}_1 + (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u}_2) \vec{u}_2.$$

Plugging in \vec{u}_1 and \vec{u}_2 and gathering terms gives the matrix we are searching. Clearly, any orthonormal basis for V^\perp does the trick. A common fallacy was to write down a matrix whose image was V^\perp , which is easier and incorrect.