

Quiz 6, Linear

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1. (4 points) Let W be the set of all vectors of the form $\begin{bmatrix} 2a - 3b \\ -1 \\ 2a - 5b \end{bmatrix}$, where a, b are arbitrary real numbers. Either find a set S that spans W or give an example (or explanation) to show that W is *not* a vector space.

W is not a vector space b/c $\vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is not in W , since second entry is always -1 .

2. (3 points) Suppose $\mathbb{R}^4 = \text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_4\}$. Use the definition of basis, as well as the Invertible Matrix Theorem, to explain why $\{v_1, \dots, v_4\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 .

To be a basis, needs to (1) span \mathbb{R}^4 and (2) be linearly indep.

Clearly v_1, \dots, v_4 span \mathbb{R}^4 (given). Each vector must have 4 entries b/c they are in \mathbb{R}^4 , so they would form a square matrix $[v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3 \ v_4]$. By I.M.T, if they span then the matrix is invertible, so the columns are linearly independent \Rightarrow it is a basis since it has both (1) and (2).

3. (3 points) Let $M_{2 \times 2}$ be the vector space of all 2×2 matrices, and define $T : M_{2 \times 2} \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}$ by $T(A) = A + A^T$, where $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$. Show that T is a linear transformation.

$$\begin{aligned} T(A+B) &= (A+B) + (A+B)^T = A+B + A^T+B^T = (A+A^T) + (B+B^T) \\ &= T(A) + T(B) \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$T(cA) = cA + (cA)^T = cA + cA^T = c(A+A^T) = cT(A) \checkmark$$

4. (1 point, Extra Credit) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -2 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Find a nonzero vector in $\text{Nul } A$ and a nonzero vector in $\text{Col } A$. Explain why your answers are correct. 5 min

• $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is in $\text{Nul } A$ b/c $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -2 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

• Any column is in $\text{Col } A$. So $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is in $\text{Col } A$.