

1. In the following two cases, determine whether  $\text{span}(\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w}) = \mathbb{R}^3$  or not.

(a) 4 points. Suppose  $\vec{u} = [1 \ 1 \ 0]$ ,  $\vec{v} = [1 \ 0 \ 1]$  and  $\vec{w} = [0 \ 1 \ 1]$ .

Does  $\text{span}(\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w}) = \mathbb{R}^3$ ? EXPLAIN YOUR ANSWER!

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$R_2' = R_2 - R_1$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

This means that the only solution to  $c_1\vec{u} + c_2\vec{v} + c_3\vec{w} = \vec{0}$  is  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$ . Thus, these 3 vectors are linearly independent and span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(b) 4 points. Suppose  $\vec{u} = [1 \ -1 \ 0]$ ,  $\vec{v} = [-1 \ 0 \ 1]$  and  $\vec{w} = [0 \ -1 \ 1]$ . Does  $\text{span}(\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w}) = \mathbb{R}^3$ ? EXPLAIN YOUR ANSWER!

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & : & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & : & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & : & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & : & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & : & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & : & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & : & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & : & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & : & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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A zero row means that there are solutions to

$$c_1\vec{u} + c_2\vec{v} + c_3\vec{w} = \vec{0}$$

$$c_1 = -c_3 \quad c_2 = -c_3 \quad \text{let } c_3 \text{ be } 1$$

$$-\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The vectors are linearly dependent.

(c) 2 points. Are the vectors in part (a) linearly independent or linearly dependent? Are the vectors in part (b) linearly independent or linearly dependent? EXPLAIN YOUR ANSWER!

If 3 vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are linearly independent they span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

If 3 vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are lin dependent then they can not span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .