

Chapter 4.4 & 4.5

Linear Algebra with applications to differential equations

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1. (Re)introduce yourself to your partners and briefly share something—big or small—that has pleasantly surprised you lately.

2. Write $\vec{x} = (2, -2)$ as a linear combination of $\vec{v}_1 = (1, 0)$ and $\vec{v}_2 = (0, 1)$.

- (a) Is the linear combination you found unique?
- (b) Are there any vectors \vec{x} that cannot be written as a linear combination of \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 ?
- (c) Do \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 span \mathbb{R}^2 ?
- (d) Is the set consisting of \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 ?

3. Write $\vec{x} = (2, -2)$ as a linear combination of $\vec{v}_1 = (1, 1)$ and $\vec{v}_2 = (1, -1)$.

- (a) Is the linear combination you found unique?
- (b) Are there any vectors \vec{x} that cannot be written as a linear combination of \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 ?
- (c) Do \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 span \mathbb{R}^2 ?
- (d) Is the set consisting of \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 ?

4. Write $\vec{x} = (2, -2)$ as a linear combination of $\vec{v}_1 = (1, 1)$, $\vec{v}_2 = (1, -1)$, and $\vec{v}_3 = (1, 0)$.

- (a) Is the linear combination you found unique?
- (b) Are there any vectors \vec{x} that cannot be written as a linear combination of \vec{v}_1 , \vec{v}_2 , and \vec{v}_3 ?
- (c) Do \vec{v}_1 , \vec{v}_2 , and \vec{v}_3 span \mathbb{R}^2 ?
- (d) Is the set consisting of \vec{v}_1 , \vec{v}_2 , and \vec{v}_3 a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 ?

5. Write $\vec{x} = (2, -2)$ as a linear combination of $\vec{v}_1 = (1, -1)$.

- (a) Is the linear combination you found unique?
- (b) Are there any vectors \vec{x} that cannot be written as a linear combination of \vec{v}_1 ?
- (c) Does \vec{v}_1 span \mathbb{R}^2 ?
- (d) Is \vec{v}_1 a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 ?

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6. Determine if each of the following sets of vectors are a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

- (a) $\vec{v}_1 = (1, 2, 0)$, $\vec{v}_2 = (1, 2, -1)$, $\vec{v}_3 = (1, 0, 2)$.
- (b) $\vec{v}_1 = (1, 2, 2)$, $\vec{v}_2 = (2, 3, 4)$, $\vec{v}_3 = (3, 8, 7)$, $\vec{v}_4 = (3, -8, 7)$
- (c) $\vec{v}_1 = (1, 4, 0)$, $\vec{v}_2 = (1, 2, -1)$.

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7. Find a basis for the row space and a basis for the column space of the matrix A :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & -9 \\ 2 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \tag{1}$$