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- (1) Write the homogenous system  $\begin{array}{l} x_1 - x_2 + 7x_4 + 3x_5 = 0 \\ x_3 - x_4 - 2x_5 = 0 \end{array}$  in the matrix form  $AX = 0$ .

Then find the solution in vector form  $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$ . [11 points]

Solution

- The matrix form of the system is  $AX=0$ , where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 7 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

- Here the matrix is in its reduced row echelon form;  
so the solutions are given by:

$$x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) = (s - 7t - 3u, s, t + 2u, t, u),$$

where  $s, t, u$  are three free variables.

$$(2) \text{ Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

i) Use elementary row operations to find the inverse  $A^{-1}$  of  $A$ . [7 points]

$$\begin{array}{l} [A | I_3] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ \xrightarrow{R_1 - 5R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 6 & 4 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 + 2R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 6 & 4 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ \text{So } A \text{ is invertible and } A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 & -5 \\ -2 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2) \end{array}$$

$$ii) \text{ Use (i) to find a matrix } X \text{ such that } AX = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad [4 \text{ points}]$$

As  $A$  is invertible, we get

$$\begin{aligned} X &= A^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 & -5 \\ -2 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 11 & -9 \\ -4 & 3 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$(3) \quad (i) \quad \text{Given that} \quad \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = 15, \quad [8 \text{ points}]$$

Evaluate the following determinant  $D$ :

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{c_1}{5} & a_1 + 3b_1 & 2b_1 \\ \frac{c_2}{5} & a_2 + 3b_2 & 2b_2 \\ \frac{c_3}{5} & a_3 + 3b_3 & 2b_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$D = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right) \times 2 \begin{vmatrix} c_1 & a_1 + 3b_1 & b_1 \\ c_2 & a_2 + 3b_2 & b_2 \\ c_3 & a_3 + 3b_3 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{②}} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) \begin{vmatrix} c_1 & a_1 & b_1 \\ c_2 & a_2 & b_2 \\ c_3 & a_3 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{swap}(C_1, C_2)} -\left(\frac{2}{5}\right) \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & c_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & c_2 & b_2 \\ a_3 & c_3 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{swap}(C_3, C_2)} -\left(-\frac{2}{5}\right) \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{①}} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) \times 15 = 6.$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{Let } A \text{ and } B \text{ be } 4 \times 4 \text{ matrices with } |A|=3 \text{ and } |B|=4. \text{ Find } |2A^T B^{-1}|,$$

where  $A^T$  is the transpose of  $A$ . [5 points]

$$\begin{aligned} |2A^T B^{-1}| &= 2^4 |A^T B^{-1}| = 2^4 |A^T| \times |B^{-1}| \xrightarrow{\text{①}} \\ &= 2^4 |A| \times \frac{1}{|B|} = 16 \times 3 \times \frac{1}{4} = 12. \end{aligned}$$

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$$(4) \quad \text{Let } W = \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \sin x = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + y\right) \right\}$$

Is  $W$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ? Justify your answer.

[7 points]

Solution.

(2)

Clearly  $(\pi, \pi) \in W$  (as  $\sin(\pi) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \pi\right) = 0$ ); but

(3)  $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot (\pi, \pi) = \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \notin W$ , as  $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1 \neq \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -1$

Thus  $W$  is not closed under scalar multiplication,  
consequently,  $W$  is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(2)

(5) Express, if possible, the vector  $t = (1, 2, -6)$  as a linear combination of the vectors

$$u = (0, 1, 2), v = (1, 0, 2), w = (1, 2, 0)$$

[12 points]

Solution.

Let us find  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$t = \alpha_1 u + \alpha_2 v + \alpha_3 w$ ; which is equivalent to the

system

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1 \\ \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_3 = 2 \\ 2\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 = -6 \end{cases}$$

(4)

The augmented matrix of the system is:

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & -6 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_{1,2} \\ (1/2)R_3 \end{matrix}} \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -3 \end{array} \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -5 \end{array} \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & -6 \end{array} \xrightarrow{(-1/3)R_3} \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_1 - 2R_3 \\ R_2 - R_3 \end{matrix}} \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array}$$

Thus  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = (2, -1, 2)$ ; that is

$$t = -2u - v + 2w \quad (2)$$

(6) Suppose that  $v_1, v_2$  and  $v_3$  are linearly independent vectors. Determine whether

$u_1 = 2v_2 + 3v_3, u_2 = v_1 + v_3, u_3 = 2v_1 + v_2$  are linearly independent. Justify your answer.

Solution.

[13 points]

Let  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \alpha_3 u_3 = 0$ ; (3)

then  $(\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3)v_1 + (2\alpha_1 + \alpha_3)v_2 + (3\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)v_3 = 0$ . (2)

As  $v_1, v_2, v_3$  are linearly independent, we get

$$(*) \begin{cases} \alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3 = 0 \\ 2\alpha_1 + \alpha_3 = 0 \\ 3\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

(2)

The determinant of the matrix of coefficients is

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{C_3 - 2C_2} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = - \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 7 \neq 0$$

So the homogeneous system (\*) has only the trivial solution

$$(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = (0, 0, 0).$$

Therefore,  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  are linearly independent.

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- (7) Find all possible values of  $k$  for which the vectors  $(0, 1, 2, 1), (1, 0, 2, 3), (2, 0, k, 1), (0, k, 1, 2)$  do not form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . [10 points]

Solution.

Let us evaluate the determinant of the 4 vectors

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & k \\ 2 & 2 & k & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{C_3 - 2C_2} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & k \\ 2 & 2 & k-4 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{(3)} = - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & k \\ 2 & k-4 & 1 \\ 1 & -5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{C_3 - kC_1} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & k-4 & 1-2k \\ 1 & -5 & 2-k \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= - \begin{vmatrix} k-4 & 1-2k \\ -5 & 2-k \end{vmatrix} = - [(k-4)(2-k) + 5(1-2k)] \\ &= - [-k^2 + 6k - 8 + 5 - 10k] = k^2 + 4k + 3. \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

The given vectors do not form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  if and only if

$D = 0$ ; that is  $k^2 + 4k + 3 = 0$ , equivalently

$(k+1)(k+3) = 0$ ; this yields  $k = -1$  or  $k = -3$ .

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Therefore the given vectors do not form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  if and only if  $k = -1$  or  $k = -3$ .

- (8) Find a second order differential equation of the form  $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$  with constant coefficient such that  $y = e^{2x} \left( c_1 e^{x\sqrt{3}} + c_2 e^{-x\sqrt{3}} \right)$  is the general solution of the differential equation.

[9 points]

Solution.

The general solution of the DE is:

$$y = c_1 e^{(2+\sqrt{3})x} + c_2 e^{(2-\sqrt{3})x}$$

So  $r_1 = 2 + \sqrt{3}$ ,  $r_2 = 2 - \sqrt{3}$  are the roots of the characteristic equation of the DE:

This charact. eqn is equivalent to:

$$(r - (2 + \sqrt{3})) (r - (2 - \sqrt{3})) = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow r^2 - 4r + 1 = 0$$

Thus the required DE is:

$$y'' - 4y' + y = 0 \quad (3)$$

- (9) (i) Verify that the solutions  $y_1 = e^x$ ,  $y_2 = e^x \cos x$ ,  $y_3 = e^x \sin x$  of the differential equation  $y^{(3)} - 3y'' + 4y' - 2y = 0$  are linearly independent on  $(-\infty, \infty)$ .

Solution.  $W(y_1, y_2, y_3)(x) =$  [6 points]

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \begin{vmatrix} e^x & e^x \cos x & e^x \sin x \\ e^x & e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x & e^x \sin x + e^x \cos x \\ e^x & -2e^x \sin x & 2e^x \cos x \end{vmatrix} = e^{3x} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos x & \sin x \\ 1 & \cos x - \sin x & \sin x + \cos x \\ 1 & -2\sin x & 2\cos x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\frac{R_2 - R_1}{R_3 - R_1} \quad e^{3x} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos x & \sin x \\ 0 & -\sin x & \cos x \\ 0 & -2\sin x - \cos x & 2\cos x - \sin x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= e^{3x} \begin{vmatrix} -\sin x & \cos x & \sin x \\ -2\sin x - \cos x & 2\cos x - \sin x & \end{vmatrix} = e^{3x} (-2(\sin x)\cos x + \sin^2 x + 2(\sin x)(\cos x) + \cos^2 x)$$

$$\textcircled{2} = e^{3x} \neq 0$$

Hence  $y_1, y_2, y_3$  are linearly independent.  $\textcircled{1}$

- (ii) Use (i) to solve the initial value problem:

[8 points]

$$y^{(3)} - 3y'' + 4y' - 2y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0, \quad y''(0) = 0.$$

Solution. The general solution of the given DE is

$$y = C_1 e^x + C_2 e^x \cos x + C_3 e^x \sin x$$

The initial conditions are equivalent to the system

$$\begin{cases} C_1 + C_2 = 1 & \textcircled{1} \\ C_2 + C_3 = 0 & \textcircled{2} \\ C_1 + 2C_3 = 0 & \textcircled{3} \end{cases}$$

From  $\textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2}$ , we get  $C_3 = -1$ ; so from  $\textcircled{3}$ , we obtain

$$C_1 = -2C_3 = 2, \quad \text{and consequently } C_2 = -1. \quad \textcircled{4}$$

Therefore, the unique solution of the given IVP is

$$y(x) = 2e^x - e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x. \quad \textcircled{2}$$