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T/F.2. True. The number of vectors is larger than the size of the vectors.

T/F.4. True. Linear dependence in a subset would indicate that of the whole set.

Prob.8. We want to solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}.$$

We first do the row operations

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{12}(1), A_{13}(-2), A_{14}(-3)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 \\ 0 & -7 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{23}(3), A_{24}(7)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

This matrix has no free variable columns, which means the only solution we have is $a = b = c = 0$. Therefore the set of vectors is linearly independent.

Prob.10. We want to solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}.$$

We first do the row operations

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{12}(-1), A_{13}(-3)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 \\ 0 & -6 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{23}(2), M_2(-1/3)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{21}(-4)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore we have $a = c$ and $b = -2c$. This means $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ are linearly dependent and the space spanned by them is described by (taking $c = 1$)

$$x - 2y + z = 0.$$

Prob.20. In the basis of $\{1, x\}$, $p_1 = (a, b)$ and $p_2 = (c, d)$. p_1, p_2 are linearly independent if and only if

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

which is the same as

$$ad - bc \neq 0.$$

Prob.30. From $f_1(x) = \sin x$, $f_2(x) = \cos x$, $f_3(x) = \tan x$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} W[f_1, f_2, f_3](x) &= \begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & \tan x \\ \cos x & -\sin x & \sec^2 x \\ -\sin x & -\cos x & 2\sec^2 x \tan x \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & \tan x \\ \cos x & -\sin x & \sec^2 x \\ 0 & 0 & (2\sec^2 x - 1)\tan x \end{vmatrix} = \frac{\tan x(2 - \cos^2 x)}{\cos^2 x}. \end{aligned}$$

When $x \in (-\pi/2, \pi/2)$, $\tan x \neq 0$, $0 < \cos x < 1$, therefore $W[f_1, f_2, f_3](x) \neq 0$, and $f_{1,2,3}$ are linearly independent.

4.6

T/F.2. False. W is isomorphic to any m -dimensional subspace of V but doesn't have to be a subspace itself.

T/F.8. True. Since 10 is bigger than the dimension of $M_3(\mathbb{R})$ which is 9.

T/F.10. True. We can start from any vector in the set and keep adding the linearly independent ones. Since the set spans V , this process will end in getting a basis of V .

Prob.2. We check if $\det([v_1, v_2, v_3]) = 0$ as follows.

$$\det([v_1, v_2, v_3]) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -7 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = 14 - 1 = 13 \neq 0.$$

Therefore the three vectors given form a basis.

Prob.6. We want solve when $\det([v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4]) \neq 0$, which is equivalent to $\{v_1, \dots, v_4\}$ forming a basis of \mathbb{R}^4 .

$$\begin{aligned} \det([v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4]) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & k \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ k & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = -\det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & k \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & k & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & k \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2-k \\ 0 & 0 & k & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 - k(2-k) = (k-1)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the set of k that makes the set of vectors given a basis is

$$\left\{ k \in \mathbb{R} \mid k \neq 1 \right\}.$$

Prob.16. Let $M = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} \end{bmatrix}$. The defining equation of S is then

$$m_{11} + m_{22} = 0.$$

Therefore we can take m_{12}, m_{21}, m_{22} as free variable and have basis as

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

And $\dim(S) = 3$.

Prob.24. Since $\dim(P_2) = 3$ we only have to show p_1, p_2, p_3 are linearly independent. To that end we use Wronskian.

$$\begin{aligned} W[p_1, p_2, p_3](x) &= \begin{vmatrix} 1+x & x^2-x & 1+2x^2 \\ 1 & 2x-1 & 4x \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2x-1 & 4x \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1+x & x^2-x & 1+2x^2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1+x & -x & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -2 \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$ form a basis of P_2 .

4.8

T/F.6. True. The row-echelon form of an $n \times n$ invertible matrix has n leading ones, which correspond to the basis of colspace with n vectors. Therefore $\dim(A) = n$.

Prob.2. We do row operations to $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & -11 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ as follows.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & -11 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{12}(-3)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{21}(-1)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore $\text{colspace}(A)$ is simply \mathbb{R}^2 and $\text{rowspace}(A)$ is spanned by $\{(1, 0, -1, 1), (0, 1, -2, 1)\}$.

Prob.4. As above we do row operations to $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -6 & -2 \\ 0 & 12 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ as follows.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -6 & -2 \\ 0 & 12 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{12}(2), A_{13}(-4)} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore $\text{colspace}(A)$ spanned by $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\text{rowspace}(A)$ is spanned by $\{(0, 3, 1)\}$.

4.9

T/F.4. False. Consider the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Its nullity is 1 while all 3 of the diagonal elements are 0.

T/F.6. False. A counterexample is when $m \geq n$, we can take any A with nullity 0 and let $B = -A$. Nullity of $A + B$ is n while $\text{nullity}(A) + \text{nullity}(B)$ is 0.

Prob.10. We have the linear system with $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}$. We

do a series of row operation on $[A \ \mathbf{b}]$ as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & -2 & 5 & 5 & 13 \end{bmatrix} &\xrightarrow{P_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 & 5 & 5 & 13 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{12}(-2), A_{13}(-1)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & -2 & -7 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{A_{23}(1)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & -2 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_{21}(1)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & -2 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $x_1 = x_3 - x_4 - 1$ and $x_2 = 3x_3 + 2x_4 - 7$. We can write the general solution as

$$\mathbf{x} = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_p,$$

where

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_p = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

It is easy to check that \mathbf{v}_p is a particular solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ and $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$ are two independent solutions of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$. Since the rank of A is 2 from the row operations, the nullity of A is $4-2=2$. Therefore $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ is a basis of the null space of A .

Prob.18. For any \mathbf{x} , since A is invertible

$$AB\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \Leftrightarrow B\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Therefore

$$\left\{ \mathbf{x} \mid AB\mathbf{x} = 0 \right\} = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \mid B\mathbf{x} = 0 \right\},$$

which means their dimensions are the same as well. Therefore

$$\text{nullity}(AB) = \text{nullity}(B).$$