

1. If the coefficient matrix A in a homogeneous system of 12 equations in 16 unknowns is known to have rank 5, how many parameters are there in the general solution?

- A. 10
- B. 7
- ☒ C. 11
- D. none
- E. 12
- F. 16

$$\begin{aligned}\# \text{ parameters} &= \# \text{ unknowns} - \text{rank } A \\ &= 16 - 5 \\ &= 11\end{aligned}$$

2. Find the $(2, 3)$ -entry of the product

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- A. 4
- B. 5
- C. 6
- ☒ D. 7
- E. 8
- F. 9

$$(0, 2, 5, 1) \cdot (1, 2, 0, 3) = 7$$

3. Let A be an 8×6 matrix such that $Ax = 0$ has only the trivial solution $x = 0$.

- What is the rank of A ?
- Do the columns of A span $\mathbb{R}^8$?

- A. 0, Yes
- B. 6, Yes
- C. 6, No
- D. 8, Yes
- E. 8, No
- F. 2, Yes

Unique solⁿ $\Leftrightarrow$ consistent ($\checkmark$ homog.)

$$\& \text{rank } A = \# \text{ col of } A$$

$$\therefore \text{rank } A = 6$$

A has only 6 columns, and
the dimension of $\mathbb{R}^8 = 8$. Any
Spanning set of $\mathbb{R}^8$ has at least
 $\dim \mathbb{R}^8 = 8$ vectors. So NO.

5. Let $F[0, \pi] = \{f \mid f : [0, \pi] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}\}$ be the vector space of real-valued functions defined on $[0, \pi]$.

Define three functions in $F([0, \pi])$ by $f(x) = 1$, $g(x) = \sin 2x$ and $h(x) = \cos x$ and let

$$W = \text{span}\{f, g, h\}. \quad *$$

- Show that $\{f, g, h\}$ is linearly independent.
- Use (a) to show that $\{f+g, f+h, g+h\}$ is linearly independent.
- Give two different bases of W .
- What is $\dim W$?

a) Suppose $a \cdot 1 + b \sin 2x + c \cos x = 0$, $\forall x \in [0, \pi]$.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x=0 &\Rightarrow a + c = 0 \\ x=\frac{\pi}{4} &\Rightarrow a + b + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}c = 0 \\ x=\frac{\pi}{2} &\Rightarrow a = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow a=b=c=0 \quad \therefore \{f, g, h\} \text{ is l.i.}$$

b) Suppose $a(f+g) + b(f+h) + c(g+h) = 0$. Then
 $(a+b)f + (a+c)g + (b+c)h = 0$. But by (a), $\{f, g, h\}$ is

l.i., so

$$\begin{aligned} a+b &= 0 \\ a &+ c = 0 \\ b+c &= 0 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

So $a=b=c=0$. Hence $\{f+g, f+h, g+h\}$ is l.i.

c) By (*), $\{f, g, h\}$ spans W . By (a), $\{f, g, h\}$ is l.i. $\therefore \{f, g, h\}$ is a basis of W . Thus $\dim W = 3$. Since (b) shows that the 3 vectors $f+g, f+h, g+h$ are l.i., they are a basis of W as well.

Hence $\{f, g, h\}$ & $\{f+g, f+h, g+h\}$ are 2 different bases

d) $\dim W = 3$, as is shown in (c)

6. Consider the following subsets of $\mathbf{R}^4$:

$$U = \{(a, a+b, a-b, b) \in \mathbf{R}^4 \mid a, b \in \mathbf{R}\}$$

$$V = \{(a, b, c, d) \in \mathbf{R}^4 \mid a+b+c+d=0\}$$

- a) Show that U is a subspace of $\mathbf{R}^4$, without using the subspace test.
- b) Show that V is a subspace of $\mathbf{R}^4$, without using the subspace test.
- c) Find a basis of V and hence give its dimension.

a) $U = \text{span}\{(1, 1, 1, 0), (0, 1, -1, 1)\}$ and hence is a subspace. (Every span is a subspace).

b) V is the set of all solutions of a homogeneous linear system, and is hence a subspace of $\mathbf{R}^4$. (OR: $V = \ker [1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]$, and hence is a subspace.)

$$\text{c) } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & r & s & t & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots \quad \begin{matrix} a = -r-s-t \\ b = r \\ c = s \\ d = t \end{matrix} \quad ; \quad r, s, t \in \mathbf{R}$$

The fundamental solutions are then $v_1 = (-1, 1, 0, 0)$, $v_2 = (-1, 0, 1, 0)$ and $v_3 = (-1, 0, 0, 1)$. Hence, $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is a basis of W .

Thus, $\dim W = 3$.