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1.) Determine which of the following sets of vectors are linearly dependent versus linearly independent. Circle the correct answer

[10] 1i.) $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

a.) linearly dependent

The span of these three vectors is 2-dimensional. Any collection of more than two vectors spanning a 2-dimensional space must be linearly dependent

[10] 1ii.) $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

a.) linearly dependent

The second vector is a multiple of the first vector.

[10] 1iii.) $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

b.) linearly independent

There are only two vectors and the second vector is NOT a multiple of the first vector.

[10] 1iv.) $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

a.) linearly dependent

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

[10] 1v.) $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

b.) linearly independent

Note the first two vectors span a 2-dimensional space that does not contain the third vector. Hence these 3 vectors are linearly independent.

Alternatively $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

2.) If $A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$, $A \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$, $A \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$, $A \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$, $A \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$.

[10] 2a.) An eigenvalue of A is 3

[15] 2b.) 4 eigenvectors corresponding to this eigenvalue are $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \pi \\ \pi \end{pmatrix}$

Any non-zero scalar multiple of $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of A with eigenvalue 3.

FYI: $A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = A \left[\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right] = A \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$A \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = A \left[\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right] = A \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - A \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Thus $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Since the columns (and similarly the rows) are not linearly independent, 0 is also an eigenvalue of A .

Note $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

Thus an alternate answer is

[10] 2a.) An eigenvalue of A is 0

[15] 2b.) 4 eigenvectors corresponding to this eigenvalue are $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2\pi \\ -\pi \end{pmatrix}$

Any non-zero scalar multiple of $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ is an eigenvector of A with eigenvalue 0.

[15] 3a.) Find the eigenvalues of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

[10] 3b.) Find one eigenvector corresponding to each eigenvalue.

$|A - rI| = \begin{vmatrix} 1-r & 1 \\ 2 & -1-r \end{vmatrix} = (1-r)(-1-r) - 2 = r^2 - 3 = 0$. Thus $r = \pm\sqrt{3}$

$A - rI = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - (\pm\sqrt{3}) & 1 \\ 2 & -1 - (\pm\sqrt{3}) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \mp \sqrt{3} & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \mp \sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix}$

Note $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \mp \sqrt{3} & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \mp \sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \pm \sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Thus a nonzero solution to $(A - rI)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \pm \sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix}$

An e. value of A is $\sqrt{3}$ & an e. vector corresponding to this e. value is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 + \sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix}$

An e. value of A is $-\sqrt{3}$ & an e. vector corresponding to this e. value is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 - \sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix}$