

Math 54, Section 214
Quiz 2, February 5, 2009

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Please write your name on each sheet. Show your work clearly and in order, including intermediate steps in the solutions and the final answer.

1. (7 pt) Do the vectors \vec{v}_1 , \vec{v}_2 , \vec{v}_3

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

form a linearly independent set? Explain.

They do not, because $\vec{v}_3 = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2$.

Alternatively, use row reduction:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & -3 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\begin{matrix} R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 3R_1 \\ R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - 4R_1 \end{matrix}]{} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -9 & -9 \\ 0 & -9 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -9 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

no pivot in column 3.

2. (6 pt) Consider the linear transformation from \mathbb{R}^a to \mathbb{R}^b whose standard matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find a and b . Explain.
(b) Is the transformation one-to-one? Explain.
(c) Is the transformation onto? Explain.

(a) $a = 1$ and $b = 2$: $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -2x_1 \\ x_1 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) It is, because $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2x \\ x \end{bmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$

Alternatively, row reduction:

$\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + 2R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, pivot in every column.

(c) It is not, because there is no pivot in row 2
(see the row reduction above)

3. (7 pt) (a) Write the standard matrix of a linear transformation $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ which first projects onto the x_1 axis and then rotates 90 degrees counterclockwise.

(b) Write the standard matrix of a linear transformation $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ which first rotates 90 degrees counterclockwise and then projects onto the x_1 axis.

