

6. True or False. (If true, give a proof. If false, give a counter example.) If v_1, v_2, v_3 are linearly independent vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 , then v_1, v_2, v_3 span \mathbb{R}^3 .

True Let v be any vector in \mathbb{R}^3 . The "Stark Fact" theorem tells us that v_1, v_2, v_3, v is linearly dependent in \mathbb{R}^3 . So there are numbers $c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 \in \mathbb{R}$ with $c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + c_3 v_3 + c_4 v = 0$, and at least one of the c_i 's is not zero. If $c_4 = 0$, then $c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + c_3 v_3 = 0$ and this contradicts the hypothesis that v_1, v_2, v_3 are L.I. So $c_4 \neq 0$ and $v = -\frac{c_1}{c_4} v_1 - \frac{c_2}{c_4} v_2 - \frac{c_3}{c_4} v_3$. Thus v is in the span of v_1, v_2, v_3 .

7. True or False. (If true, give a proof. If false, give a counter example.) If A and B are 2×2 matrices, then $(AB)^T = A^T B^T$.

False Take $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$. We see

$$(AB)^T = \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right)^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3+8 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{not equal}$$