

# Linear Algebra for Math

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1. Let

$$v_1 = (-1, 2, 1, 0)$$

$$v_2 = (0, 2, 1, 1)$$

$$v_3 = (1, 0, 1, -1)$$

$$v_4 = (0, 1, 1, 1)$$

1a. Show that these vectors form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . (5 pts.)

1b. Write an arbitrary vector  $(a, b, c, d)$  as a linear combination of these four vectors. (5 pts.)

2a. Find the inverse of the matrix (10 pts.)

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

3. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -4 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find  $A^{333}$ . (15 pts.)

4a. Show that the set of functions  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which are integrable between 0 and 1 form an infinite dimensional vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ . (10 pts.)

4b. Find a subspace  $W$  of  $V$  such that  $\dim(V/W) = 1$ . (10 pts.)

5. Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $(v_i)_{i \in I}$  be a basis of  $V$ . For  $j \in I$ , define a function  $v_j^*$  from  $V$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  as follows: For all  $v \in V$ ,

$$v = \sum_{i \in I} \alpha_i v_i$$

then  $v_j^*(v) = \alpha_j$ .

5a. Show that the set of linear maps from  $V$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  form a vector space  $V^*$ . (10 pts.)

5b. Why is  $v_j^*$  well-defined? (5 pts.)

5c. Show that  $v_j^* \in V^*$  for all  $j \in J$ . (5 pts.)

5d. Show that the linear maps  $v_j^*$  are linearly independent. (10 pts.)

5e. Assume  $V$  is finite dimensional. Let  $f \in V^*$  and set  $f(v_i) = \beta_i \in \mathbb{R}$ . Show that

$$f = \sum_{i \in I} \beta_i v_i^*$$

Conclude that the set  $(v_i^*)_{i \in I}$  form a basis of  $V^*$ . (10 pts.)

**5f.** Assume  $V$  is infinite dimensional. Define  $f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as follows: For  $v \in V$ , if

$$v = \sum_{i \in I} \alpha_i v_i, \text{ then } f(v) = \sum_{i \in I} \alpha_i.$$

Show that  $f$  is not in the subspace of  $V^*$  generated by  $(v_i^*)_{i \in I}$ . (10 pts.)