

MA 1111: Linear Algebra I  
Homework problems for November 16, 2018

Solutions to this problem sheet are to be handed in after our class at 1pm on Friday. Please attach a cover sheet with a declaration <http://tcd-ie.libguides.com/plagiarism/declaration> confirming that you know and understand College rules on plagiarism. On the same cover sheet, please put your name, student number, and name of the degree (Maths/TP/TSM), and staple all the sheets together. (Failure to do that may result in misplaced/lost sheets, for which no responsibility can be taken by instructors.)

1. True or false (prove true statements and give counterexamples to false ones):

(a) if a system of vectors in some vector space contains a vector which is equal to a linear combination of other vectors from the same system, then these vectors are linearly dependent;

(b) if a system of vectors in some vector space is linearly dependent, then it contains a vector which is equal to a linear combination of other vectors from this system;

(c) if a system of vectors in some vector space is linearly dependent, then every vector from this system is equal to a linear combination of other vectors from this system.

2. Show that the vectors  $e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and compute coordinates of  $v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  relative to that basis.

3. For  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$ , find the transition matrix  $M_{ef}$  from the basis  $e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $e_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  to the basis  $f_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $f_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $f_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ , and find the coordinates of the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  relative to each of the bases  $e_1, e_2, e_3$  and  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ .

4. Let  $v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

(a) Show that the function from  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given by

$$w \mapsto v \times w$$

is a linear operator, and find its matrix relative to the basis of standard unit vectors.

(b) Show that the function from  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to  $\mathbb{R}^1$  given by

$$w \mapsto v \cdot w$$

is a linear transformation, and find its matrix relative to the bases of standard unit vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\mathbb{R}^1$ .