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Second Set of homework

1. Solve the system

$$\begin{cases} 2x - 5y + 2z - 4s + 2t = 4 \\ 3x - 7y + 2z - 5s + 4t = 9 \\ 5x - 10y - 5z - 4s + 7t = 22 \end{cases}$$

by first solving the corresponding homogeneous system and then finding a particular solution. Refer to Example 1.35 in Section 1.3.2 of the current set of notes.

2. Express the vector $\mathbf{c} = 3\mathbf{e}_1 - 2\mathbf{e}_2 - \mathbf{e}_3$ as a linear combination of the vectors

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{e}_1 + 2\mathbf{e}_2 + 3\mathbf{e}_3$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = 2\mathbf{e}_1 + 3\mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_3$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = 3\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2 + 2\mathbf{e}_3.$$

3. Express the vector $\mathbf{c} = 5\mathbf{e}_1 - \mathbf{e}_2 + 3\mathbf{e}_3$ as a linear combination of the vectors

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{e}_1 - 2\mathbf{e}_2 + 3\mathbf{e}_3$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = 4\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{e}_1 - 11\mathbf{e}_2 + 15\mathbf{e}_3,$$

in three different ways.

4. Find a vector \mathbf{c} that cannot be expressed as a linear combination of the vectors \mathbf{v}_1 , \mathbf{v}_2 , and \mathbf{v}_3 of the previous exercise.

5. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let $\mathbf{y} = B\mathbf{x}$. Find the vector $\mathbf{z} = A\mathbf{y}$.

6. Find a 2×2 matrix A that interchanges \mathbf{e}_1 and \mathbf{e}_2 , in other words such that

$$A\mathbf{e}_1 = \mathbf{e}_2 \quad \text{and} \quad A\mathbf{e}_2 = \mathbf{e}_1.$$

7. Prove that if

$$a_1 b_2 - a_1 b_3 + a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2 + a_3 b_1 - a_2 b_1 \neq 0$$

then the system

$$\begin{cases} x + a_1 y + b_1 z = c_1 \\ x + a_2 y + b_2 z = c_2 \\ x + a_3 y + b_3 z = c_3 \end{cases}$$

has a unique solution for all real numbers c_1, c_2, c_3 .