

Solution

Tutorial 9: Inverses and subspaces

**Exercise 1.** Decide if the following two linear maps are invertible. Determine their inverses if they exist.

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$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 2x_2 + 2x_3 \\ x_1 - 4x_2 + 6x_3 \\ x_2 + x_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$G : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3,$$

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$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{9}{2} & -2 & -\frac{7}{2} \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

**Exercise 2.** (Final Exam 2021) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ .

B not invertible

- (i) Determine whether or not the matrices  $A$  and  $B$  are invertible and, if they are, compute their inverses.
- (ii) Calculate the matrix  $BA$  and decide if  $BA^n$  is invertible for any integer  $n \geq 1$ .

A invertible  $\Rightarrow A^n$  inv.  
 If  $BA^n$  inv. then  
 $B = BA^n \cdot (A^n)^{-1}$  would  
 be inv.  
 $\Rightarrow BA^n$   
 not inv.

(Next lecture) A subset  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a **subspace** of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  if

- i)  $0 \in U$ ,
- ii) for all  $u, v \in U$  we have  $u + v \in U$ ,
- iii) for all  $u \in U$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  we have  $\lambda u \in U$ .

(Next lecture) The **span** of  $v_1, \dots, v_n \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the set

$$\text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_n\} = \{\lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_n v_n \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

**Exercise 3.** (Final Exam 2019) Which of the following subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are subspaces? Justify your answers.

(i)  $U_1 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1 + x_2 = x_1 x_2 \right\}$ . No

(ii)  $U_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 2x_1 = x_1 + x_2 \right\}$ . Yes

(iii)  $U_3 = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \cup \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ . No

(Reminder:  $\cup$  is the union of two sets)

(Solutions for Exercise 2 & 3 are contained in the solutions for the Final exam 2021 & 2019)

## Homework 4: Reflection, Projection and Inverses

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**Exercise 1.** (2+3 = 5 Points) Let  $u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be with  $u \neq 0$ .

- (i) Show that the reflection  $\rho_u : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is a linear map.
- (ii) Show that the matrix of the projection  $P_u : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is given by

$$[P_u] = \frac{1}{u \bullet u} uu^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n},$$

where  $u^T = (u_1 \ u_2 \ \dots \ u_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$ . Use this to give an expression for  $[\rho_u]$ .

**Exercise 2.** (2+3 = 5 Points) Let  $u = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $d = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $x = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

- (i) Calculate the matrices  $[P_u]$  and  $[\rho_u]$  in this special case.
- (ii) Calculate the following vectors and draw them in one picture together with  $u, d$  and  $x$

$$P_u(x), \quad \rho_u(x), \quad (P_u \circ P_d)(x), \quad \text{rot}_{\frac{\pi}{2}}(x), \quad (P_u \circ \text{rot}_{\frac{\pi}{2}})(x), \quad (\text{rot}_{\frac{\pi}{2}} \circ P_u)(x).$$

**Exercise 3.** (2+2 = 4 Points) Show that for all  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $u \neq 0$  the projection  $P_u$  and the reflection  $\rho_u$  satisfy for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  the following two properties:

- (i)  $P_u(P_u(x)) = P_u(x)$ .
- (ii)  $\rho_u(\rho_u(x)) = x$ .

**Exercise 4.** (3+3= 6 Points)

- (i) Decide if the following two linear maps are invertible. Determine their inverses if they exist.

$$F : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \quad G : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3,$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} -x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 \\ 2x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 \\ -x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 \\ 2x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 \\ 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (ii) The **kernel** of a linear map  $H : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is defined by

$$\ker(H) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid H(x) = 0\}.$$

Determine  $\ker(F)$  and  $\ker(G)$ .

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The matrix of  $F$  is  $[F] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & -4 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . We calculate:

$$([F] | I_3) = \begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_1} \\ \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_2} \end{array} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & 6 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \sim \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ \textcircled{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{array} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -4 & 6 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & 6 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Here we already see that  $\text{rref}([F]) \neq I_3$  and therefore  $F$  is not invertible.

For  $G$  we have  $[G] = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 1 & -26 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and we get

$$([G] | I_3) = \begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \\ \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_1} \end{array} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 10 & 1 & -26 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \sim \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{-10} \\ \textcircled{-1} \end{array} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 10 & 1 & -26 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\sim \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{2} \\ \textcircled{6} \end{array} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 & 1 & -10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \end{array} \right) \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -16 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$[G]^{-1}$

Therefore  $G$  is invertible and the inverse is given by

$$G^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^3 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$
$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} -x_2 - 2x_3 \\ x_1 - 16x_2 - 6x_3 \\ -x_2 - x_3 \end{pmatrix} = [G]^{-1}x.$$

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Additional question: What is  $\text{Ker}(F)$ ,  $\text{Ker}(G)$ ?

$$\text{Ker}(F) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid F(x) = 0\}$$

By above calculation:

$$[F] \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solutions to  $F(x) = 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= -10t \\ x_2 &= -t \\ x_3 &= t \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Ker}(F) = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x = t \begin{pmatrix} -10 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Since  $G$  is invertible,  $G(x) = 0$  just has the solution  $x = 0$ , i.e.

$$\text{Ker}(G) = \{0\}.$$