

## Homework #7

Due Monday 14 March, 2022 at 11:59pm.

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Textbook Problems from Strang, *Intro Linear Algebra*, 5th ed. will be graded for completion. Answers/solutions are linked at

[bueler.github.io/math314/resources.html](https://bueler.github.io/math314/resources.html)

**P** Problems will be graded for correctness. When grading these, I expect you to write explanations using complete sentences!

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*Put these Textbook Problems first on your PDF, in this order.*

**from Problem Set 3.3, pages 157–162:** # 3, 4, 10, 16, 18, 21, 30

**from Problem Set 3.4, pages 174–179:** # 1, 2, 11, 13, 16, 32, 38

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**P28.** Include  $\mathbf{b}$  as a fourth column in elimination on the following system, that is, use an augmented matrix. Identify a condition on  $b_1, b_2, b_3$  so that this system is solvable:

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y - 2z &= b_1 \\2x + 5y - 4z &= b_2 \\-2x - 6y + 4z &= b_3\end{aligned}$$

**P29.** Give examples of matrices  $A$  for which the number of solutions to  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is

- (a) 0 or 1, depending on  $\mathbf{b}$
- (b)  $\infty$ , regardless of  $\mathbf{b}$
- (c) 0 or  $\infty$ , depending on  $\mathbf{b}$
- (d) 1, regardless of  $\mathbf{b}$

**P30.** (a) If  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has two distinct solutions  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2$ , find two solutions of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .

(b) Then find another (distinct) solution to  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .

**P31.** Find matrices  $A$  and  $B$  with the given property, or explain why you cannot:

- (a) the only solution to  $A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  is  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) the only solution to  $B\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

**P32.** Suppose  $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3$  are linearly-independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(a) Show that  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{w}_2 - \mathbf{w}_3$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{w}_1 - \mathbf{w}_3$ , and  $\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{w}_1 - \mathbf{w}_2$  are linearly-dependent.

(b) Show that  $\mathbf{z}_1 = \mathbf{w}_2 + \mathbf{w}_3$ ,  $\mathbf{z}_2 = \mathbf{w}_1 + \mathbf{w}_3$ , and  $\mathbf{z}_3 = \mathbf{w}_1 + \mathbf{w}_2$  are linearly-independent.

**P33.** For each part, describe *all* cases where the rank is 2.

(a) For which numbers  $a$  and  $b$  does the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$  have rank 2?

(b) For which numbers  $c$  and  $d$  does the matrix  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & c & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & d & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  have rank 2?

**P34.** Find a basis for, and the dimension of, these subspaces of  $3 \times 3$  matrices:

(a) diagonal matrices

(b) symmetric matrices ( $A^\top = A$ )

(c) skew-symmetric matrices ( $A^\top = -A$ )

**P35.** Suppose  $f_1(x), f_2(x), f_3(x)$  are three functions defined on the real line. The vector space they span could have dimension 1, 2, or 3. Give examples  $\{f_1, f_2, f_3\}$  to show each possibility. (*Each example is a list of three functions, and an explanation.*)