

Math 3280 Worksheet 13: Linear dependence, dimension, span, and bases.

Group members (2 to 4): _____

- (1) Are the vectors $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$, and $v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ linearly independent or dependent? If they are linearly dependent, find constants c_1, c_2, c_3 , not all zero, such that $c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + c_3v_3 = 0$.

- (2) What is the dimension of their span? (This is the largest number of independent vectors in the set $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$.)

- (3) Find a basis for the subspace defined by the following equations for $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) \in \mathbb{R}^5$:

$$\begin{aligned}2x_1 + x_3 - 2x_4 - 2x_5 &= 0 \\x_1 + 2x_3 - x_4 + 2x_5 &= 0 \\-3x_1 - 4x_3 + 3x_4 - 2x_5 &= 0\end{aligned}$$