

No aids are permitted. Show all your work. Correct answers with little or no supporting work will not be given credit. Write legibly.

1. (7 pts) Determine if the vectors are linearly independent.

$$\text{If } x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 4 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (*),$$

$$\text{augmented matrix } \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & -8 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{3R_2 + R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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At this point, it is clear that there are three basic variables and no free variables.

So the equation (*) has only the trivial solution, namely $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0$, and

the given vectors are linearly independent.

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2. (8 pts) Let $\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{y}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{y}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$, and let $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a linear transformation that maps $\mathbf{e}_1$ into $\mathbf{y}_1$ and maps $\mathbf{e}_2$ into $\mathbf{y}_2$. Find the images of $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = T\left(x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = T(x_1 \vec{e}_1 + x_2 \vec{e}_2)$$

$$= x_1 T(\vec{e}_1) + x_2 T(\vec{e}_2)$$

$$= x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - x_2 \\ 5x_1 + 6x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 5 - (-3) \\ 5 \cdot 5 + 6 \cdot (-3) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

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