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1. Consider each of these claims about a vector equation.

(a) “ $\begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ -2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ is a linear combination of the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.”

- i. Write a statement involving the solutions of a vector equation that's equivalent to this claim.
- ii. Determine if the statement you wrote is true or false.

iii. If your statement was true, describe a linear combination of $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

that equals $\begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ -2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$.

(b) “ $\begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ -1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ is a linear combination of the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.”

- i. Write a statement involving the solutions of a vector equation that's equivalent to this claim.
- ii. Determine if the statement you wrote is true or false.

iii. If your statement was true, describe a linear combination of $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

that equals $\begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ -1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$.

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2. (a) Write a statement involving the solutions of a vector equation that's equivalent to each claim:

i. "The set of vectors $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 12 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ spans \mathbb{R}^4 ."

ii. "The set of vectors $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 12 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ does **not** span \mathbb{R}^4 ."

- (b) Explain how to determine which of these statements is true.

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3. Consider the following two sets of Euclidean vectors:

$$U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mid 6x + 2y = 0 \right\} \quad W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mid 4x = y^3 \right\}$$

Explain why one of these sets is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 and one is not.

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4. (a) Write a statement involving the solutions of a vector equation that's equivalent to each claim:

i. "The set of vectors $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly **independent**."

ii. "The set of vectors $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly **dependent**."

- (b) Explain how to determine which of these statements is true.

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5. (a) Write a statement involving the solutions of a vector equation that's equivalent to each claim:

i. "The set of vectors $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a **basis** for \mathbb{R}^4 ."

ii. "The set of vectors $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is **not** a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 ."

- (b) Explain how to determine which of these statements is true.

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6. Consider the following subspace W of \mathbb{R}^4 :

$$W = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -7 \\ -10 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

- (a) Explain and demonstrate how to find a basis of W .
- (b) Explain and demonstrate how to find the dimension of W .

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7. (a) Write a statement involving the solutions to a polynomial equation that's equivalent to each claim about the following set of polynomials:

$$\{x^3 - x^2 + x - 1, -3x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x + 3, -x^2 + x - 2, -3x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x + 1\}$$

- i. "The set of polynomials **spans** \mathcal{P}_3 . "
 - ii. "The set of polynomials does **not** span \mathcal{P}_3 . "
- (b) Explain how to determine which of these statements is true.

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8. (a) Write a statement involving the solutions to a polynomial equation that's equivalent to each claim about the following set of polynomials:

$$\{-x^2 - 2x + 1, x^3 + x^2 + x, -x, -5x^2 - 4x + 4\}$$

- i. "The set of polynomials **spans** \mathcal{P}_3 . "
 - ii. "The set of polynomials does **not** span \mathcal{P}_3 . "
- (b) Explain how to determine which of these statements is true.