

MATH1030 Further examples on linear dependence and linear independence.

1. Consider the vectors $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots$ below. Determine whether $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots$ are linearly dependent or not. Where they are linearly dependent, also give a non-trivial linear relation for them.

(a) $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}.$

(b) $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -6 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}.$

(c) $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$

(d) $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

(e) $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

(f) $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}.$

(g) $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$

(h) $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(i) $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

(j) $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

(k) $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$

Answer.

1. (a) Linearly independent.
- (b) Linearly independent.
- (c) Linearly independent.
- (d) Linearly independent.
- (e) Linearly dependent.
 $-3\mathbf{u}_1 - 2\mathbf{u}_2 + \mathbf{u}_3 = \mathbf{0}$.
(There are infinitely many non-trivial linear relations.)
- (f) Linearly independent.
- (g) Linearly independent.
- (h) Linearly dependent.
 $2\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_2 + \mathbf{u}_3 = \mathbf{0}$.
(There are infinitely many non-trivial linear relations.)
- (i) Linearly independent.
- (j) Linearly independent.
- (k) Linearly dependent.
 $\mathbf{u}_1 + \mathbf{u}_2 + \mathbf{u}_3 + \mathbf{u}_4 = \mathbf{0}$.
(There are infinitely many non-trivial linear relations.)
- (l) Linearly independent.