

1. For each of the following sets of vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 do the following: copy the vectors into a matrix and bring that matrix to echelon form using EROs. Then, based on that echelon form, answer these questions:

(i) Does the set span \mathbb{R}^3 ? (ii) Is the set independent? (iii) Is the set a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

Note: All these questions must be answered “yes” or “no”. Also, if done correctly, at most 4 EROs are needed for each.

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Ans:} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 - 3R_1}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(i) No. (ii) Yes. (iii) No.

$$(b) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Ans:} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (i) \text{ Yes. (ii) Yes. (iii) Yes.}$$

$$(c) \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Ans:} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (i) \text{ No. (ii) No. (iii) No.}$$

$$(d) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Ans:} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \xrightarrow{2 \text{ type III}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(i) Yes. (ii) No. (iii) No.