

Linear Algebra 1: Tutorial 9

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Problem 3 from HW#5. Consider the following vectors, with entries understood to be in \mathbb{Z}_2 :

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

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

Determine if there exists a linear function $f : \mathbb{Z}_2^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2^4$ that satisfies the property that

$$f(\mathbf{b}_i) = \mathbf{c}_i \quad \text{for all } i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}.$$

If such a linear function f exists, determine whether it is unique, and if it is unique, find a formula for f .

Remark: If the linear function f exists and is unique, then your formula for it should be of the form

$$f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \\ ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for all } x_1, x_2, x_3 \in \mathbb{Z}_2,$$

where the question marks are replaced with the appropriate values. If the linear function f does not exist, or if it exists but is not unique, then you do not need to find such a formula.

Hint: This problem essentially boils down to solving a matrix equation of the form $XA = B$. Several examples very similar to this problem are given in subsection 1.10.4 of the Lecture Notes.

Exercise 1. Read off the solutions of the equation $AX = B$ (with matrix entries in the specified field \mathbb{F}) if $RREF([A \mid B])$ is as specified below.

$$(a) \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}, RREF([A \mid B]) = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right];$$

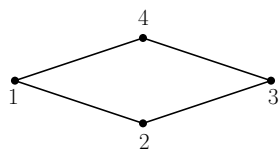
$$(b) \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Z}_3, RREF([A \mid B]) = \left[\begin{array}{cccc|cc} 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$(c) \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Z}_2, RREF([A \mid B]) = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right];$$

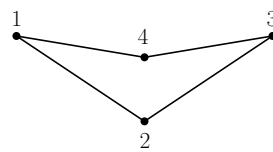
$$(d) \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Z}_2, RREF([A \mid B]) = \left[\begin{array}{cccc|cc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right];$$

$$(e) \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}, RREF([A \mid B]) = \left[\begin{array}{cccc|cc} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \end{array} \right].$$

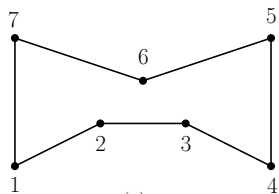
Exercise 4 from Tutorial 8. Compute the group of symmetries for each of the polygons below.



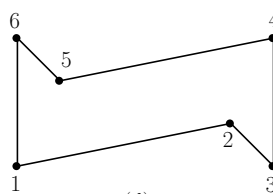
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

Exercise 2. Consider the following sets \mathcal{B} , with entries understood to be in \mathbb{Z}_3 .

$$(a) \mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\};$$

$$(b) \mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\};$$

$$(c) \mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\};$$

$$(d) \mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\};$$

$$(e) \mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\};$$

$$(f) \mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

For each \mathcal{B} do all the following.

- (1) Determine whether \mathcal{B} is a linearly independent set in \mathbb{Z}_3^4 .
- (2) Determine whether \mathcal{B} is a spanning set of \mathbb{Z}_3^4 .
- (3) Determine whether \mathcal{B} is a basis of \mathbb{Z}_3^4 .
- (4) If \mathcal{B} is a basis of \mathbb{Z}_3^4 , then compute the coordinate vector $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$, where $\mathbf{x} = [2 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]^T$.

Exercise 3. Let \mathbb{F} be a field, let $A \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times m}$ be a matrix, and let $\text{Nul}(A)$ (called the null space of A) be the solution set of the homogeneous matrix-vector equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$. Prove that $\text{Nul}(A)$ is a subspace of \mathbb{F}^m .