

Exercises on independence, basis, and dimension

Problem 9.1: (3.5 #2. *Introduction to Linear Algebra: Strang*) Find the largest possible number of independent vectors among:

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\mathbf{v}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Problem 9.2: (3.5 #20.) Find a basis for the plane $x - 2y + 3z = 0$ in \mathbb{R}^3 . Then find a basis for the intersection of that plane with the xy plane. Then find a basis for all vectors perpendicular to the plane.