Homework 9

You should use **Matlab** or **Octave** to do the following problems.

- It is **NOT** acceptable to hand in printouts!!
- For decimal approximations, it is enough to give 2 decimal places in your answers.
- When using a machine, explain what it did.
- 1. The following system has infinitely many solutions:

Find the general solution and find three solutions explicitly.

2. Let
$$w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
, $w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $w_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$, $w_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, and $w_5 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

- (a) Explain how you can tell that $\{w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4, w_5\}$ is a linearly dependent set without doing any calculations.
- (b) Write one of the vectors as a linear combination of the rest.
- 3. Let $p_1 = (1, -1, 1, 1, 1)$, let $p_2 = (1, 1, 0, -2, 2)$, and let q = (5, 1, 2, -4, 8). (a) Write q as a linear combination of p_1 and p_2 .
 - (b) Let r = (8, -2, -4, 5, 1). Write r as a linear combination of p_1, p_2 , and q or show that it is not a linear combination of them.
 - (c) What is the dimension of the subspace spanned by p_1 , p_2 , q, and r? Explain your answer!
- 4. Let \mathcal{W} be the column space of F, the subspace spanned by the columns of F, where

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1\\ -1 & -1 & -2 & 1\\ 3 & 1 & 0 & -2\\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Choose some of the column vectors of F to get a basis for \mathcal{W} and explain why your answer is correct.
- (b) If $\mathcal{W} = \mathbb{R}^4$, explain why this is true. If \mathcal{W} is *NOT* \mathbb{R}^4 , find a vector x in \mathbb{R}^4 that is *NOT* in \mathcal{W} and explain why it is not.
- 5. Suppose the vectors $\{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4\}$ are a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 .

Show that if $y_1 = 2u_1 - 3u_4$, $y_2 = u_1 + 2u_2 - u_3$, $y_3 = u_2 + 2u_3 - u_4$ and $y_4 = u_1 + 2u_2 - u_3 + u_4$, then $\{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4\}$ is also a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 .

6.

Let
$$E = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find bases for $\mathcal{N}(E)$ the nullspace of E and $\mathcal{R}(E)$ the range of E. In addition, find some columns of E that form a basis for $\mathcal{R}(E)$.