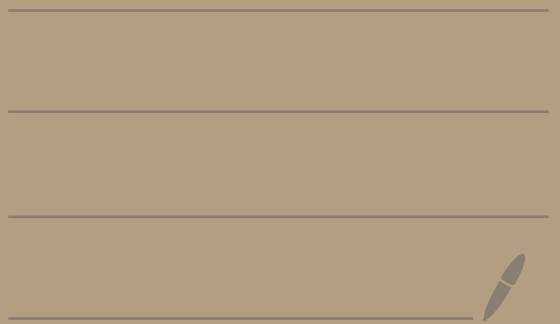


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HW 7

Solutions

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①(a)

Suppose  $c_1 \vec{a} = \vec{0}$ .

Then  $c_1 \langle -1, -1 \rangle = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$ .

Then  $\langle -c_1, -c_1 \rangle = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$

So,  $c_1 = 0$ .

Thus,  $\{\vec{a}\}$  is a lin. ind. set.

So we can make  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a})$   
and  $\beta = [\vec{a}]$  is a basis for  $W$ .

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①(b)

$W = \text{span}(\vec{a}) = \{c_1 \vec{a} \mid c_1 \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

Some vectors in  $W$  are:

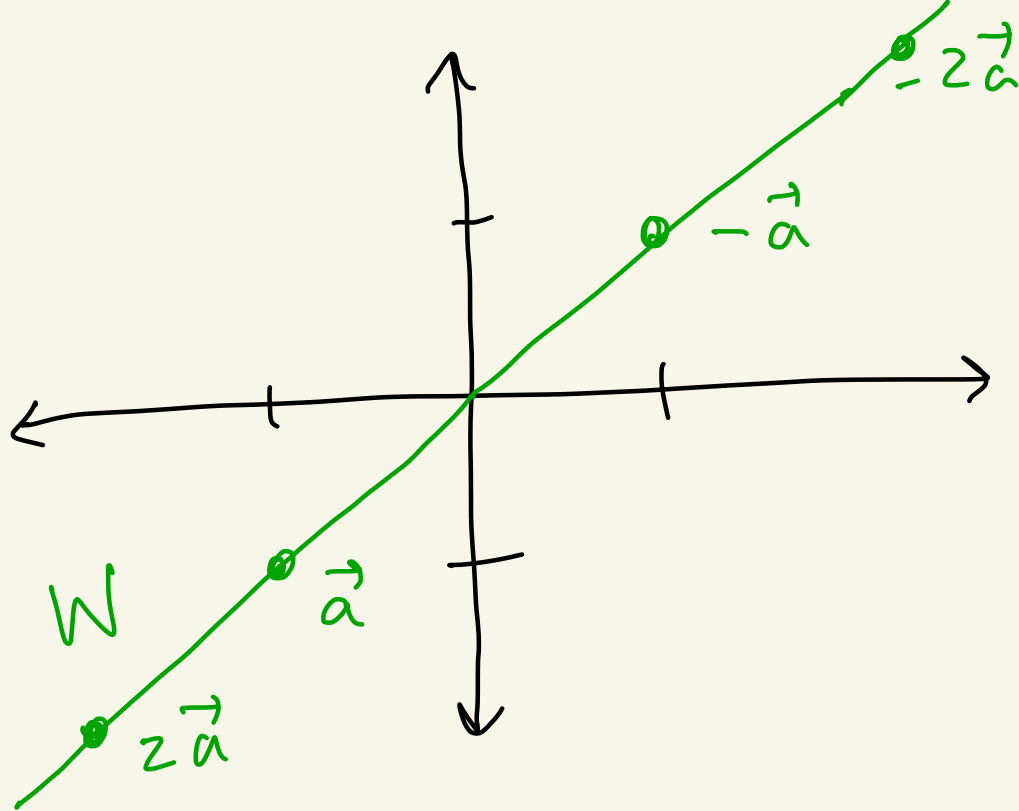
$$2 \cdot \vec{a} = 2 \langle -1, -1 \rangle = \langle -2, -2 \rangle$$

$$-\vec{a} = -\langle -1, -1 \rangle = \langle 1, 1 \rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \vec{a} = \frac{1}{2} \langle -1, -1 \rangle = \langle -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle$$

$$0 \vec{a} = 0 \langle -1, -1 \rangle = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$$

①(c)

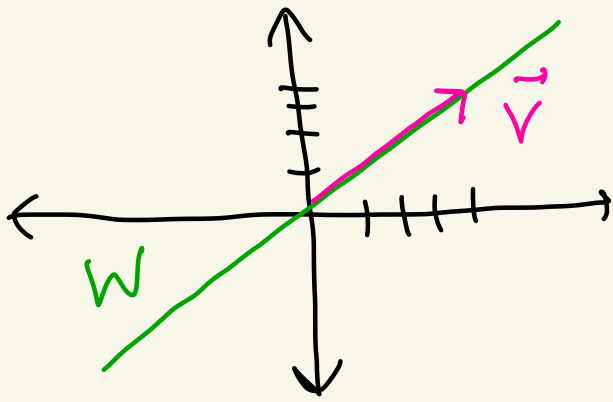


①(d)

$\dim(W) = 1$   
since  $\beta$  has 1 vector in it

①(e)

$\vec{v} = \langle 4, 4 \rangle = -4 \langle -1, -1 \rangle = -4\vec{a}$   
Since  $\vec{v} = -4\vec{a}$  we know that  
 $\vec{v}$  is in  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a})$ .



① (f) Can we solve  
 $\vec{v} = c_1 \vec{a}$ ?

We would need  
 $\langle 1, \frac{1}{2} \rangle = c_1 \langle -1, -1 \rangle$   
 which would require

$$\langle 1, \frac{1}{2} \rangle = \langle -c_1, -c_1 \rangle$$

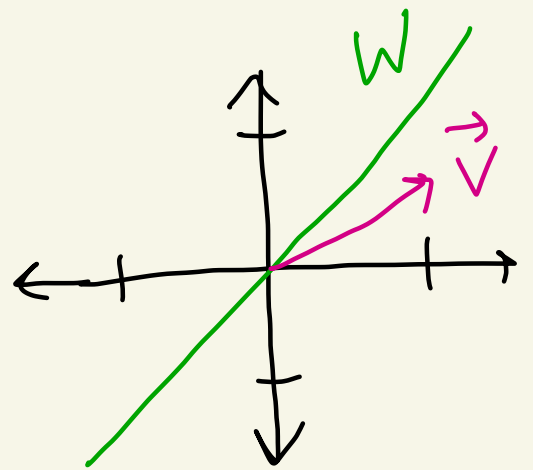
$$\text{So, } -c_1 = 1, -c_1 = \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\text{Then } c_1 = -1 \text{ and } c_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

This is impossible.

Thus,  $\vec{v}$  is not in

$$W = \text{span}(\vec{a}).$$



②(a)

Suppose  $c_1 \vec{i} + c_2 \vec{k} = \vec{0}$ .

Then,  $c_1 \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle + c_2 \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$

Then,  $\langle c_1, 0, 0 \rangle + \langle 0, 0, c_2 \rangle = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$

So,  $\langle c_1, 0, c_2 \rangle = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$ .

Thus,  $c_1 = 0, c_2 = 0$ .

Since the only solution to  $c_1 \vec{i} + c_2 \vec{k} = \vec{0}$  is  $c_1 = 0, c_2 = 0$  we know that  $\vec{i}, \vec{k}$  are linearly independent vectors.

Thus,  $B = [\vec{i}, \vec{k}]$  is a basis for  $W = \text{span}(\vec{i}, \vec{k})$ .

② (b)

$$W = \text{span}(\vec{i}, \vec{k})$$

$$= \{c_1 \vec{i} + c_2 \vec{k} \mid c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Some vectors in  $W$  are

$$2\vec{i} - 3\vec{k} = 2\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle - 3\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle = \langle 2, 0, -3 \rangle$$

$$\vec{i} + 0\vec{k} = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle + 0\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$-\vec{i} - 10\vec{k} = -\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle - 10\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle = \langle -1, 0, -10 \rangle$$

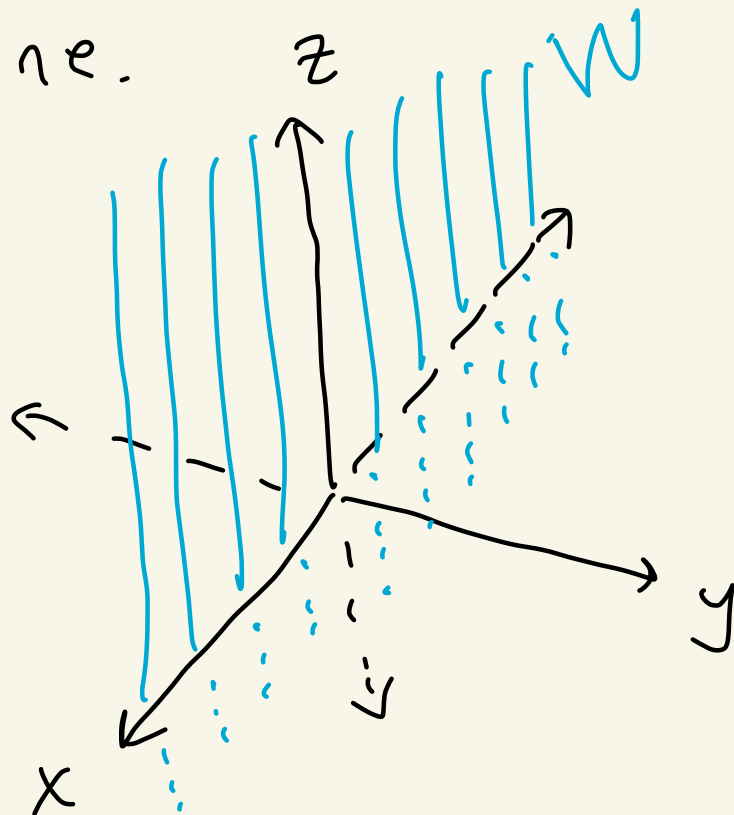
$$5\vec{i} + 2\vec{k} = 5\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle + 2\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle = \langle 5, 0, 2 \rangle$$

$z(c)$  The vectors in  $W$  are the ones of the form

$$c_1 \vec{i} + c_2 \vec{k} = c_1 \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle + c_2 \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle \\ = \langle c_1, 0, c_2 \rangle$$

This is the plane  $y=0$ , i.e. these vectors lie on the

xz-plane.



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(2)(d) Since the basis  $\beta = [\vec{i}, \vec{k}]$  for  $W$  has 2 vectors in it,  
 $\dim(W) = 2$ .

② (e)

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v} = \langle 3, 0, 2 \rangle &= \langle 3, 0, 0 \rangle + \langle 0, 0, 2 \rangle \\ &= 3\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle + 2\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle \\ &= 3\vec{i} + 2\vec{k}.\end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\vec{v}$  is in  $W = \text{span}(\vec{i}, \vec{k})$ .

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② (f) Suppose we tried to solve

$$\vec{v} = c_1\vec{i} + c_2\vec{k}.$$

Then we would need

$$\langle 1, 3, 4 \rangle = c_1\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle + c_2\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$$

which would require

$$\langle 1, 3, 4 \rangle = \langle c_1, 0, c_2 \rangle$$

or

$$\langle 1, 3, 4 \rangle = \langle c_1, 0, c_2 \rangle$$



But then  $3 = 0$ .

This is impossible.

So,  $\vec{v}$  is not in  $W = \text{span}(\vec{i}, \vec{k})$ .

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③ (a)

Suppose  $c_1 \vec{a} + c_2 \vec{b} = \vec{0}$ .

Then,  $c_1 \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle + c_2 \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$ .

So,  $\langle c_1, c_1, c_1 \rangle + \langle c_2, 0, 0 \rangle = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$ .

Thus,  $\langle c_1 + c_2, c_1, c_1 \rangle = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$ .

This gives  $c_1 + c_2 = 0$ ,  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $c_1 = 0$ .

Then,  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $c_2 = -c_1 = -0 = 0$ .

Since the only solutions to

$$c_1 \vec{a} + c_2 \vec{b} = \vec{0}$$

are  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $c_2 = 0$  we know that

$\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are linearly independent.

Thus,  $\beta = [\vec{a}, \vec{b}]$  is a basis

for  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a}, \vec{b})$ .

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③(b)

$$W = \text{span}(\vec{a}, \vec{b})$$

$$= \{ c_1 \vec{a} + c_2 \vec{b} \mid c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

Thus, some vectors in  $W$  are:

$$0\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 0\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle + \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$-\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = -\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle + 2\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle = \langle 1, -1, -1 \rangle$$

$$2\vec{a} + 0\vec{b} = 2\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle + 0\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle = \langle 2, 2, 2 \rangle$$

$$3\vec{a} + 5\vec{b} = 3\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle + 5\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle = \langle 8, 3, 3 \rangle$$

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③(c) Since the basis  $\beta = [\vec{a}, \vec{b}]$  for  $W$  has 2 vectors in it,  $\dim(W) = 2$ .

3(d) We want to solve  $\vec{v} = c_1 \vec{a} + c_2 \vec{b}$ .

This requires  $\langle \frac{1}{2}, -3, -3 \rangle = c_1 \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle + c_2 \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$ .

This needs  $\langle \frac{1}{2}, -3, -3 \rangle = \langle c_1 + c_2, c_1, c_1 \rangle$ .

We get  $c_1 + c_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $c_1 = -3$ ,  $c_1 = -3$ .

So,  $c_1 = -3$ ,  $c_2 = \frac{1}{2} - c_1 = \frac{1}{2} - (-3) = \frac{7}{2}$ .

Thus,  $\vec{v} = -3\vec{a} + \frac{7}{2}\vec{b}$ .

So,  $\vec{v}$  is in  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a}, \vec{b})$ .

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3(e) We want to try to solve  $\vec{v} = c_1 \vec{a} + c_2 \vec{b}$ .

This becomes  $\langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle = c_1 \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle + c_2 \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$ .

This gives  $\langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle = \langle c_1 + c_2, c_1, c_1 \rangle$

This gives  $1 = c_1 + c_2$ ,  $2 = c_1$ ,  $3 = c_1$ .

But  $c_1 = 2$  and  $c_1 = 3$  is impossible.

Thus,  $\vec{v}$  is not in  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a}, \vec{b})$ .

$$4(a) \quad W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \mid 2x - y = 0 \right\}$$

(i-iii) By the homogeneous subspace theorem,  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Let's find a basis for  $W$ .

Let  $\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$  be in  $W$ .

Then

$$2x - y = 0$$

Or

$$x - \frac{1}{2}y = 0$$

The solutions to this system are

$$y = t$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}y = \frac{1}{2}t$$

Thus,

$$\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}t \\ t \end{pmatrix} = t \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

So any vector  $\vec{w}$  in  $W$  lies in the span of  $\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Since  $\vec{a} \neq \vec{0}$ , the set  $\{\vec{a}\}$  is a linearly independent set.

Thus,  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a})$  with basis  $\beta = [\vec{a}]$

And  $\dim(W) = 1$  since  $\beta$  consists of 1 vector.

(iv)  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a}) = \{c_1 \vec{a} \mid c_1 \in \mathbb{R}\}.$

Here are 4 example vectors in  $W$ :

$$2\vec{a} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0\vec{a} = 0 \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-3\vec{a} = -3 \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3/2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\pi\vec{a} = \pi \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/2 \\ \pi \end{pmatrix}$$

4(b)

$$W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \mid \begin{array}{l} x - y + 2z = 0 \\ y + z = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

(i-iii) By the homogeneous subspace theorem,  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .  
Let's find a basis for  $W$ .

Let  $\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$  be in  $W$ .

Then,

$$\begin{array}{l} x - y + 2z = 0 \\ y + z = 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \\ \textcircled{2} \end{array}$$

leading:  $x, y$

free:  $z$

Then,

$$z = t$$

$$y = -z = -t$$

$$x = y - 2z = -t - 2t = -3t$$

So,

$$\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3t \\ -t \\ t \end{pmatrix} = t \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

So any vector  $\vec{w}$  in  $W$  lies in the span of  $\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Since  $\vec{a}$  is a single non-zero vector,  
 $\{\vec{a}\}$  is a linearly independent set.

Thus,  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a})$  with basis  $\beta = [\vec{a}]$ .

So,  $\dim(W) = 1$  since  $\beta$  has 1 vector in it.

(iv)  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a})$  where  $\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Thus, four example vectors in  $W$  are:

$$2\vec{a} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-\vec{a} = - \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\vec{a} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0\vec{a} = 0 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$4(c) \quad W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \mid 2x - 4y - 3z = 0 \right\}$$

(i-iii) By the homogeneous subspace theorem,  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .  
Let's find a basis for  $W$ .

Let  $\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$  be in  $W$ .

Then,

$$2x - 4y - 3z = 0$$

So,

$$x - 2y - \frac{3}{2}z = 0$$

← leading:  $x$   
free:  $y, z$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 2y + \frac{3}{2}z & \textcircled{1} \\ y &= t & \textcircled{2} \\ z &= u & \textcircled{3} \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\textcircled{3} \quad z = u$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad y = t$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x = 2y + \frac{3}{2}z = 2t + \frac{3}{2}u$$



Thus,

$$\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2t + \frac{3}{2}u \\ t \\ u \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2t \\ t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2}u \\ 0 \\ u \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + u \begin{pmatrix} 3/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus, if  $\vec{w}$  is in  $W$ , the  $\vec{w}$  lies in the span of  $\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Let's show that  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  are linearly independent.

Suppose  $c_1 \vec{a} + c_2 \vec{b} = \vec{0}$ .

$$\text{Then, } c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 3/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{So, } \begin{pmatrix} 2c_1 + \frac{3}{2}c_2 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus,  $2c_1 + \frac{3}{2}c_2 = 0$ ,  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $c_2 = 0$ .

So, the only solutions to  $c_1 \vec{a} + c_2 \vec{b} = \vec{0}$

are  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $c_2 = 0$ .

Thus,  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  are linearly independent

Therefore,  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a}, \vec{b})$  where  
 $\beta = [\vec{a}, \vec{b}]$  is a basis for  $W$ .

And  $\dim(W) = 2$  since  $\beta$  has 2  
vectors in it.

(iv)  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) = \left\{ c_1 \vec{a} + c_2 \vec{b} \mid c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ .

So, 4 example vectors in  $W$  are:

$$1 \cdot \vec{a} + 1 \cdot \vec{b} = 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7/2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 \vec{a} + 2 \vec{b} = 0 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$10 \vec{a} + 0 \vec{b} = 10 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \begin{pmatrix} 3/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 10 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$1 \cdot \vec{a} + 0 \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \begin{pmatrix} 3/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$4(d) \quad W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ u \end{pmatrix} \mid \begin{array}{l} -z + u = 0 \\ y + z - u = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

(i-iii) By the homogeneous subspace theorem,  
W is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .  
Let's find a basis for W.

Let  $\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ u \end{pmatrix}$  be in W.

Then,

$$\begin{array}{l} x \quad -z + u = 0 \\ y + z - u = 0 \end{array}$$

already reduced  
leading: x, y  
free: z, u

So,

$$\begin{array}{l} x = z - u \quad (1) \\ y = -z + u \quad (2) \\ z = t \quad (3) \\ u = s \quad (4) \end{array}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{array}{l} u = s \\ z = t \\ y = -z + u = -t + s \\ x = z - u = t - s \end{array}$$

$$\text{So, } \vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t-s \\ -t+s \\ t \\ s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t \\ -t \\ t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -s \\ s \\ 0 \\ s \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus, every vector  $\vec{w}$  in  $W$  lies in the span of  $\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

These vectors are linearly independent since if

$$c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

then

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_1 - c_2 \\ -c_1 + c_2 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

which gives

$$c_1 = 0, c_2 = 0.$$

Therefore,  $W = \text{span}(\vec{a}, \vec{b})$  and  $\beta = [\vec{a}, \vec{b}]$  is a basis for  $W$ .

And  $\dim(W) = 2$  since  $\beta$  has 2 vectors in it.

$$(iv) W = \text{span}(\vec{a}, \vec{b})$$

Thus 4 example vectors in  $W$  are:

$$1 \cdot \vec{a} + 0 \cdot \vec{b} = 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 \cdot \vec{a} + 1 \cdot \vec{b} = 0 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$2 \cdot \vec{a} + 1 \cdot \vec{b} = 2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$5 \cdot \vec{a} - 5 \cdot \vec{b} = 5 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - 5 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ -10 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$$