

2. If a vector \mathbf{Y}_3 lies in the plane determined by the two vectors \mathbf{Y}_1 and \mathbf{Y}_2 , then we can write \mathbf{Y}_3 as a linear combination of \mathbf{Y}_1 and \mathbf{Y}_2 . That is,

$$\mathbf{Y}_3 = k_1 \mathbf{Y}_1 + k_2 \mathbf{Y}_2$$

for some constants k_1 and k_2 . But then

$$k_1 \mathbf{Y}_1 + k_2 \mathbf{Y}_2 - \mathbf{Y}_3 = (0, 0, 0).$$

Show that if

$$k_1 \mathbf{Y}_1 + k_2 \mathbf{Y}_2 + k_3 \mathbf{Y}_3 = (0, 0, 0),$$

with not all of k_1 , k_2 , and $k_3 = 0$, then the vectors are not linearly independent. [Hint: Start by assuming that $k_3 \neq 0$ and show that \mathbf{Y}_3 is in the plane determined by \mathbf{Y}_1 and \mathbf{Y}_2 . Then treat the other cases.] Note that this computation leads to the theorem that three vectors \mathbf{Y}_1 , \mathbf{Y}_2 , and \mathbf{Y}_3 are linearly independent if and only if the only solution of

$$k_1 \mathbf{Y}_1 + k_2 \mathbf{Y}_2 + k_3 \mathbf{Y}_3 = (0, 0, 0)$$

is $k_1 = k_2 = k_3 = 0$.

3. Using the technique of Exercise 2, determine whether or not the following sets of three vectors are linearly independent.
- (a) $(1, 2, 1), (1, 3, 1), (1, 4, 1)$
 - (b) $(2, 0, -1), (3, 2, 2), (1, -2, -3)$
 - (c) $(1, 2, 0), (0, 1, 2), (2, 0, 1)$
 - (d) $(-3, \pi, 1), (0, 1, 0), (-2, -2, -2)$

In Exercises 4–7, consider the linear system $d\mathbf{Y}/dt = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Y}$ with the coefficient matrix \mathbf{A} specified. Each of these systems decouples into a two-dimensional system and a one-dimensional system. For each exercise,

- (a) compute the eigenvalues,
- (b) determine how the system decouples,
- (c) sketch the two-dimensional phase plane and one-dimensional phase line for the decoupled systems, and
- (d) give a rough sketch of the phase portrait of the system.

$$4. \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$5. \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$6. \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$7. \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$