

Math 236 work for May 4, 2001

Exercise 1. Let $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) For the ordered basis $B = (\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2)$ of \mathbb{R}^2 given by $\vec{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, find the coordinate vector $[\vec{x}]_B$ of \vec{x} with respect to B .

(b) For the ordered basis $B' = (\vec{b}_2, \vec{b}_1)$ of \mathbb{R}^2 given by the same vectors as in (a) but in the opposite order, find the coordinate vector $[\vec{x}]_{B'}$ of \vec{x} with respect to B' .

(c) For the standard ordered basis $E = (\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2)$ of \mathbb{R}^2 , find the coordinate vector $[\vec{x}]_E$ of \vec{x} with respect to E .

Exercise 2. What is the coordinate vector $[\vec{x}]_E$ of an arbitrary vector $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with respect to the standard ordered basis $E = (\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \dots, \vec{e}_n)$ of \mathbb{R}^n ?

Exercise 3. Let $B = (\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2, \dots, \vec{b}_n)$ be an arbitrary ordered basis of \mathbb{R}^n .

(a) What is the coordinate vector $[\vec{b}_1]_B$?

(b) For each $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$, what is the coordinate vector $[\vec{b}_j]_B$?

Exercise 4. Again let $B = (\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2)$ be the ordered basis of \mathbb{R}^2 given by $\vec{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) If $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ has coordinate vector $[\vec{x}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ with respect to B , then what is \vec{x} ?

(b) What is the change-of-basis matrix S from B to the standard ordered basis $E = (\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2)$?

(c) Use the change-of-basis matrix S somehow to find the coordinate vector $[\vec{x}]_B$ of \vec{x} with respect to B for $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.