

VIII

(i) It follows from  $\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 4 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \cdot (-3) - 4 \cdot 1 = -13 \neq 0$  that  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  are linearly independent.

(ii)  $3\vec{u} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{v}$ . Thus we have  $3\vec{u} - \vec{v} = \vec{0}$ .  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  are linearly dependent.

(iii) It follows from  $\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & -6 \end{vmatrix} = 4(-6) - 3 \cdot 2 = -30 \neq 0$  that  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  are linearly independent.

(iv)  $-\frac{1}{2}\vec{u} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{v}$ . Thus we have  $-\frac{1}{2}\vec{u} - \vec{v} = \vec{0}$ .  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  are linearly dependent.

$$\text{IX} \quad (i) \quad x\vec{a} + y\vec{b} + z\vec{c} = \vec{0} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x + 2y + 7z = 0 & (1) \\ -2x + y - 4z = 0 & (2) \\ x - y + z = 0 & (3) \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x + 2y + 7z = 0 & (1) \\ 5y + 10z = 0 & (2)' = (2) + (1) \times 2 \\ -3y - 6z = 0 & (3)' = (3) - (1) \end{cases}$$

It follows  $\begin{vmatrix} 5 & 10 \\ -3 & -6 \end{vmatrix} = 5(-6) - (-3) \cdot 10 = 0$  that there exists  $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$  satisfying  $(2)'$  and  $(3)'$ . In fact  $(x, y) = (2, -1)$  satisfies  $(2)'$  and  $(3)'$ . Then

$x = -2y - 7z = -2 \cdot 2 - 7 \cdot (-1) = 3$  by (i). Accordingly we have

$$3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} - \vec{c} = \vec{0}$$

This shows that  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are linearly dependent.

(ii)

(2)

$$x\vec{a} + y\vec{b} + z\vec{c} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x + y + 2z = 0 & (1) \\ 2x - 3y - z = 0 & (2) \\ -3x + 2y + 5z = 0 & (3) \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x + y + 2z = 0 & (1) \\ -5y - 5z = 0 & (2)' = (2) + (1) \times (-2) \\ 5y + 11z = 0 & (3)' = (3) + (1) \times 3 \end{cases}$$

It follows from  $\begin{vmatrix} -5 & -5 \\ 5 & 11 \end{vmatrix} = -5 \cdot 11 - 5 \cdot (-5) = -30 \neq 0$

that  $(2)'$  and  $(3)'$  imply  $y = z = 0$ . Then

$$x = -y - 2z = -0 - 2 \cdot 0 = 0$$

by (1). Accordingly  $x\vec{a} + y\vec{b} + z\vec{c} = \vec{0}$  implies

$x = y = z = 0$ , i.e.  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are linearly independent.

$$(iii) \quad x\vec{a} + y\vec{b} + z\vec{c} + w\vec{d} = \vec{0}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x + 2y + 3z + 2w = 0 & (1) \\ -3x - z + 4w = 0 & (2) \\ 7x - 6y - z - 5w = 0 & (3) \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x + 2y + 3z + 2w = 0 & (1) \\ 6y + 8z + 10w = 0 & (2)' = (2) + (1) \times 3 \\ 8y - 22z - 19w = 0 & (3)' = (3) + (1) \times (-7) \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x + 2y + 3z + 2w = 0 & (1) \\ 24y + 32z + 40w = 0 & (2)'' = (2)' \times 4 \\ 24y - 66z - 57w = 0 & (3)'' = (3)' \times 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x + 2y + 3z + 2w = 0 & (1) \\ 24y + 32z + 40w = 0 & (2)'' \\ -98z - 97w = 0 & (3)''' = (3)'' - (2)'' \end{cases}$$

$(z, w) = (97, -98)$  satisfies (3)'. Then

(3)

$$y = -\frac{1}{24} (32z + 40w)$$

$$= -\frac{4}{3}z - \frac{5}{3}w$$

$$= -\frac{4}{3} \cdot 97 + \frac{5}{3} \cdot 98 = 34,$$

Finally we get

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

$$= -2 \cdot 34 - 3 \cdot 97 - 2(-98)$$

$$= -163.$$

Thus  $(x, y, z, w) = (-163, 34, 97, -98)$  satisfies (1), (2), (3) and we have the relation

$$-163 \vec{a} + 34 \vec{b} + 97 \vec{c} - 98 \vec{d} = \vec{0}.$$

Accordingly  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}, \vec{d}$  are linearly dependent.

$$(iv) \quad 0 \cdot \vec{a} + 1 \cdot \vec{b} + 0 \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{0} + 1 \cdot \vec{0} + \vec{0} = \vec{0}$$

Thus  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are linearly dependent.

X Assume that we have a linear relation (4)

$$c_1(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + c_2(\vec{u} - \vec{v}) + c_3(\vec{u} - 2\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = \vec{0}$$

This is equivalent to

$$(c_1 + c_2 + c_3)\vec{u} + (c_1 - c_2 - 2c_3)\vec{v} + c_3\vec{w} = \vec{0}$$

Since  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w}$  are linearly independent, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 + c_2 + c_3 &= 0, & c_1 - c_2 - 2c_3 &= 0, & c_3 &= 0, \\ \text{--- (1)} & & \text{--- (2)} & & \text{--- (3)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 = 0 & \text{--- (1)'} \\ c_1 - c_2 = 0 & \text{--- (2)'} \\ c_3 = 0 & \text{--- (3)} \end{cases}$$

It follows from (1)' + (2)' that

$$2c_1 = 0$$

and from (1)' - (2)' that

$$2c_2 = 0.$$

Accordingly we have  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$ .

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$$(i) \quad x \vec{u} + y \vec{v} = \vec{0} \quad (\Leftrightarrow) \quad \begin{cases} x + 4y = 0 & (1) \\ 2x + 3y = 0 & (2) \\ 3x + 2y = 0 & (3) \\ 4x + y = 0 & (4) \end{cases}$$

Then it follows for  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 3 - 8 = -5 \neq 0$

that (1) and (2) imply  $x = y = 0$ . Accordingly  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are linearly independent.

$$(ii) \quad -\frac{1}{2} \vec{u} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 6 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{v}$$

Thus we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

This shows that  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  are linearly dependent.

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Assume

$$c_1 \alpha \vec{a} + c_2 \beta \vec{b} + c_3 \gamma \vec{c} = \vec{0}$$

Since  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are linearly independent, it follows that

$$c_1 \alpha = c_2 \beta = c_3 \gamma = 0.$$

Moreover since  $\alpha \neq 0, \beta \neq 0, \gamma \neq 0$ , we have

$$c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0.$$

Thus  $\alpha \vec{a}, \beta \vec{b}, \gamma \vec{c}$  are linearly independent.