

Some of the problems in section 1.3 are phrased in a way that might be hard to follow. Here are some clarifications to these questions.

1. Let \mathbf{s}_1 , \mathbf{s}_2 , and \mathbf{s}_3 be the given vectors (i.e. $\mathbf{s}_1 = (1, 1, 1)$ and so forth).
 - a) Compute the linear combination $2\mathbf{s}_1 + 3\mathbf{s}_2 + 4\mathbf{s}_3$. We'll call that combination \mathbf{b} .
 - b) Show how to write \mathbf{b} as the product of a matrix S with a vector \mathbf{x} . You must write explicitly what S and \mathbf{x} are, but don't do the multiplication (yet!).
 - c) Compute the matrix product $S\mathbf{x}$ by taking dot products of the **rows** of S with \mathbf{x} .
2. This question is pretty clear. Find solutions of the two equations. The question about the sums of odd numbers is only dessert.
3. Start by finding a solution of the given equation. You know what B_1 , B_2 , and B_3 are, and need to find y_1 , y_2 , and y_3 . So write the y 's in terms of the B 's. Then find a matrix A such that the solution to $S\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{B}$ is exactly $\mathbf{y} = A\mathbf{B}$. Don't sweat the independent/dependent part of the question: just give a one word answer.
4. This one is clear.
5. You need to find two sets of triples (y_1, y_2, y_3) such that $y_1\mathbf{r}_1 + y_2\mathbf{r}_2 + y_3\mathbf{r}_3 = \mathbf{0}$. For both examples, it is not ok to use the obvious example $y_1 = y_2 = y_3 = 0$.
6. For each of these three matrices, there is exactly one value of c that makes the columns linearly dependent. Just find each value of c and show that the columns are dependent. You don't have to show conclusively that your value is the only one.
7. A short answer using your skills from Calculus III is fine.
10. This one is worded clearly.