

Vector spaces and subspaces

- Vectors and Vector equations
- Subspaces of R^n
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Vector: A matrix with only one column.

Vectors in R^n (vectors with n entries):

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Geometric Description of R^2

Vector $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ is the point (x_1, x_2) in the plane.

R^2 is the set of all points in the plane.

EXAMPLE: Let $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Graphs of \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} and $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ are given below:

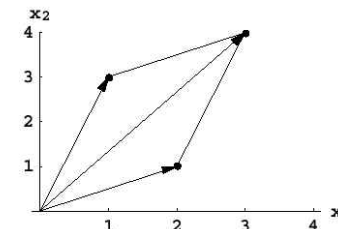
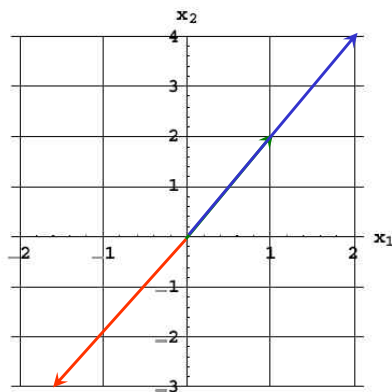


Illustration of the Parallelogram Rule

Parallelogram rule for addition of two vectors:

If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} in R^2 are represented as points in the plane, then $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ corresponds to the fourth vertex of the parallelogram whose other vertices are $\mathbf{0}$, \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} . (Note that $\mathbf{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.)

EXAMPLE: Let $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Express \mathbf{u} , $2\mathbf{u}$, and $\frac{1}{3}\mathbf{u}$ on a graph.



in R^2

Linear Combinations

DEFINITION

Given vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$ in R^n and given scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_p , the vector \mathbf{y} defined by

$$\mathbf{y} = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_p \mathbf{v}_p$$

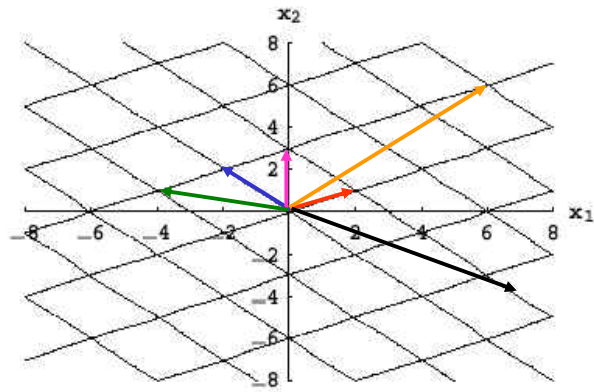
is called a **linear combination** of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$ using weights c_1, c_2, \dots, c_p .

Examples of linear combinations of \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 :

$$3\mathbf{v}_1 + 2\mathbf{v}_2, \quad \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{v}_1, \quad \mathbf{v}_1 - 2\mathbf{v}_2, \quad \mathbf{0}$$

EXAMPLE: Let $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Express each of the following as a linear combination of \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 :

$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$



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EXAMPLE: Let $\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{a}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 8 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$.

Determine if \mathbf{b} is a linear combination of \mathbf{a}_1 , \mathbf{a}_2 , and \mathbf{a}_3 .

Solution: Vector \mathbf{b} is a linear combination of \mathbf{a}_1 , \mathbf{a}_2 , and \mathbf{a}_3 if we can find weights x_1, x_2, x_3 such that

$$x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + x_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + x_3 \mathbf{a}_3 = \mathbf{b}.$$

Vector Equation (fill-in):

Corresponding System:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 &= -1 \\ 2x_2 + 6x_3 &= 8 \\ 3x_1 + 14x_2 + 10x_3 &= -5 \end{aligned}$$

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Corresponding Augmented Matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 4 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & 14 & 10 & -5 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} x_1 &= _ \\ x_2 &= _ \\ x_3 &= _ \end{aligned}$$

Review of the last example: \mathbf{a}_1 , \mathbf{a}_2 , \mathbf{a}_3 and \mathbf{b} are columns of the augmented matrix

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 4 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & 14 & 10 & -5 \end{array} \right]$$

↑ ↑ ↑ ↑
 $\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \mathbf{a}_3 \quad \mathbf{b}$

Solution to

$$x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + x_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + x_3 \mathbf{a}_3 = \mathbf{b}$$

is found by solving the linear system whose augmented matrix is

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \mathbf{a}_3 & \mathbf{b} \end{array} \right].$$

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A vector equation

$$x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + x_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + \dots + x_n \mathbf{a}_n = \mathbf{b}$$

has the same solution set as the linear system whose augmented matrix is

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{a}_n & \mathbf{b} \end{array} \right].$$

In particular, \mathbf{b} can be generated by a linear combination of $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$ if and only if there is a solution to the linear system corresponding to the augmented matrix.

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The span of a set of vectors

Definition

Suppose $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$ are in \mathbb{R}^n ; then

$\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$ = set of all linear combinations of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$,

Stated another way: $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$ is the collection of all vectors that can be written as

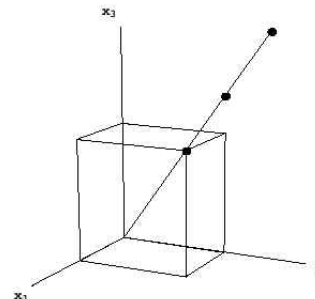
$$x_1\mathbf{v}_1 + x_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + x_p\mathbf{v}_p$$

where x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p are scalars.

A Geometric description of $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}\}$ and $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$

The Span of a Set of Vectors

EXAMPLE: Let $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$. Label the origin together with $\mathbf{v}, 2\mathbf{v}$ and $1.5\mathbf{v}$ on the graph below.



$\mathbf{v}, 2\mathbf{v}$ and $1.5\mathbf{v}$ all lie on the same line. $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}\}$ is the set of all vectors of the form $c\mathbf{v}$. Here, $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}\}$ = a line through the origin.

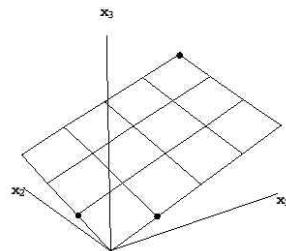
\mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are nonzero vector in \mathbb{R}^3 with \mathbf{v} is not a multiple of \mathbf{u}

$\text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$ is a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 that contains \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} and $\mathbf{0}$

$\text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$ contains the line in \mathbb{R}^3 through \mathbf{u} and $\mathbf{0}$ and the line in \mathbb{R}^3 through \mathbf{v} and $\mathbf{0}$

$\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ and $3\mathbf{u} + 4\mathbf{v}$ all lie in the same plane. $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$ is the set of all vectors of the form $x_1\mathbf{u} + x_2\mathbf{v}$. Here, $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$ = a plane through the origin.

EXAMPLE: Label $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ and $3\mathbf{u} + 4\mathbf{v}$ on the graph below.



EXAMPLE: Let $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) Find a vector in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$.

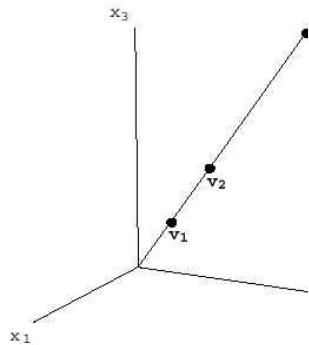
$$x_1\mathbf{v}_1 + x_2\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Vectors in \mathbb{R}^2

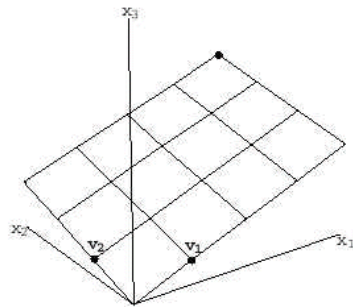
(b) Describe $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ geometrically.

A line through the origin.

Spanning Sets in \mathbb{R}^3



v_2 is a multiple of v_1
 $\text{Span}\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \text{Span}\langle v_1 \rangle = \text{Span}\langle v_2 \rangle$
 (line through the origin)



v_2 is not a multiple of v_1
 $\text{Span}\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \text{plane through the origin}$

EXAMPLE: Let $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$. Is $\text{Span}\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$ a line or a plane?

A line $v_2 = \frac{3}{2}v_1$

EXAMPLE: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ and $b = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 3 \\ 17 \end{bmatrix}$. Is b in the plane spanned by the columns of A ?

Solution: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ $b = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 3 \\ 17 \end{bmatrix}$

Do x_1 and x_2 exist so that

Corresponding augmented matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 & 17 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & -5 & -21 \\ 0 & 5 & 17 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & -5 & -21 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{array} \right]$$

So b is not in the plane spanned by the columns of A

Is b a linear combination of columns of A ? If it is $x_1 a_1 + x_2 a_2 = b$ must have solution.

Vector Spaces and Subspaces

Many concepts concerning vectors in \mathbb{R}^n can be extended to other mathematical systems.

We can think of a *vector space* in general, as a collection of objects that behave as vectors do in \mathbb{R}^n . The objects of such a set are called *vectors*.

A **vector space** is a nonempty set V of objects, called *vectors*, on which are defined two operations, called *addition* and *multiplication by scalars* (real numbers), subject to the ten axioms below. The axioms must hold for all u, v and w in V and for all scalars c and d .

The space \mathbb{R}^n consists of all column vectors with n components

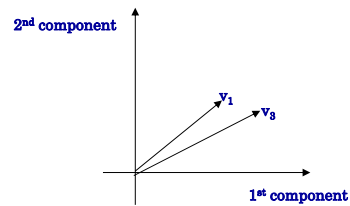
A real vector space is a set of vectors together with rules for vector addition and multiplication by real numbers.

The resulting vector must be within the space.

1. $u + v$ is in V .
2. $u + v = v + u$.
3. $(u + v) + w = u + (v + w)$
4. There is a vector (called the zero vector) 0 in V such that $u + 0 = u$.
5. For each u in V , there is vector $-u$ in V satisfying $u + (-u) = 0$.
6. $c u$ is in V .
7. $c(u + v) = c u + c v$.
8. $(c + d)u = c u + d u$.
9. $(cd)u = c(d u)$.
10. $1u = u$.

Example

$\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow$ all 2D real vectors



$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \pi \\ e \end{bmatrix}$$

Vector addition?
Scalar multiplication?

Every vector spaces got zero vectors in it.

Not a vector space

Consider all vectors whose components are positive or zero.
If the original space is the x-y plane \mathbb{R}^2

Vector addition?

Scalar Multiplication? Multiplying a vector (1,3) by $-2 \rightarrow$
This is not closed under scalar multiplication.

The distinction between a subset and a subspace

- ✓ Can you add vectors? and
- ✓ Can you multiply by scalars without leaving the space?

Vector spaces have to be closed by addition and scalar multiplication.

Subspaces

Vector spaces may be formed from subsets of other vectors spaces. These are called *subspaces*.

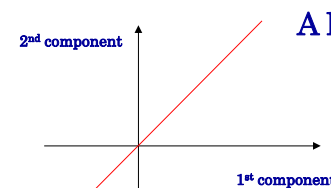
A **subspace** of a vector space V is a subset H of V that has three properties:

- a. The zero vector of V is in H .
- b. For each \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are in H , $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is in H . (In this case we say H is closed under vector addition.)
- c. For each \mathbf{u} in H and each scalar c , $c\mathbf{u}$ is in H . (In this case we say H is closed under scalar multiplication.)

If the subset H satisfies these three properties, then H itself is a vector space.

A subspace is a subset which is closed under addition and multiplication.

A vector space inside $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow$ a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2



A line through the origin

Addition?

Multiplication?

The zero dimensional space \rightarrow a subspace contains only one vector, the zero vector. (the smallest subspace)

Vector addition $\rightarrow 0+0=0 \rightarrow$ within the subspace

Scalar multiplication $\rightarrow C0=0 \rightarrow$ within the subspace
 The largest subspace is the whole of the original space.

Subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2

- \mathbb{R}^2 itself
- Any lines through the zero vector (the origin)
- The zero vector

Subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3

- \mathbb{R}^3 itself
- Any plane through the zero vector (the origin)
- Any line through the zero vector
- The zero vector

EXAMPLE: Let $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ 0 \\ b \end{bmatrix} : a \text{ and } b \text{ are real} \right\}$. Show

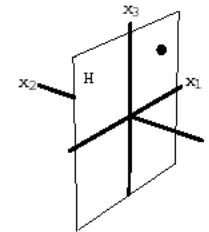
that H is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Solution: Verify properties a, b and c of the definition of a subspace.

- The zero vector of \mathbb{R}^3 is in H (let $a = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ and $b = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$).
- Adding two vectors in H always produces another vector whose second entry is $\underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ and therefore the sum of two vectors in H is also in H . (H is closed under addition)
- Multiplying a vector in H by a scalar produces another vector in H (H is closed under scalar multiplication).

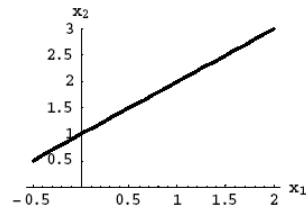
Since properties a, b, and c hold, H is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Note: Vectors $(a, 0, b)$ in H look and act like the points (a, b) in \mathbb{R}^2 .



EXAMPLE: Is $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ x+1 \end{bmatrix} : x \text{ is real} \right\}$ a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 ?

I.e., does H satisfy properties a, b and c?



Graphical Depiction of H

All three properties must hold in order for H to be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 .

Property (a) is not true because

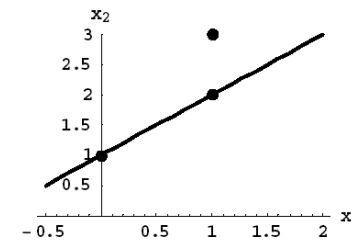
..... Therefore H is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 .

Another way to show that H is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 :

Let

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and so $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, which is **not** in H . So property (b) fails and so H is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 .



Property (b) fails

- A line in \mathbb{R}^2 not through the origin is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2
- A plane in \mathbb{R}^3 not through the origin is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Columns are in } \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

The **column space** of an $m \times n$ matrix A ($\text{Col } A$) is the set of all linear combinations of the columns of A .

If $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_n]$, then

$$\text{Col } A = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n\}$$

The column space of an $m \times n$ matrix A is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^m .

Column space of A is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^m
What are in this subspace?

Subspaces are tied directly to matrix A and they give information about the system $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$

Connection with linear system $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$

• Does $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$ have solution for every \mathbf{b} ?

• Which RHS allow this system to be solved?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow u \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + v \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + w \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find numbers u, v, w that multiply col1, col2, col3 to produce the vector \mathbf{b} . The system is solvable exactly when such coefficient exist.

The subset of attainable RHS \mathbf{b} is the set of all combinations of the columns of A .

The equations $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$ can be solved if and only if \mathbf{b} lies in the column space of A

Recall that if $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, then \mathbf{b} is a linear combination of the columns of A . Therefore

$$\text{Col } A = \{\mathbf{b} : \mathbf{b} = A\mathbf{x} \text{ for some } \mathbf{x} \text{ in } \mathbf{R}^n\}$$

We can also describe the result geometrically. $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$ can be solved if and only if \mathbf{b} lines in the plane that is spanned by 2 calcium vectors

EXAMPLE: Find a matrix A such that $W = \text{Col } A$ where

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x-2y \\ 3y \\ x+y \end{bmatrix} : x, y \text{ in } \mathbf{R} \right\}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} x-2y \\ 3y \\ x+y \end{bmatrix} &= x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \\ \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $A = \begin{bmatrix} \\ \\ \end{bmatrix}$.

The column space of an $m \times n$ matrix A is all of \mathbf{R}^m if and only if the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has a solution for each \mathbf{b} in \mathbf{R}^m .

The **null space** of an $m \times n$ matrix A , written as $\text{Nul } A$, is the set of all solutions to the homogeneous equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

$$\text{Nul } A = \{ \mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} \text{ is in } \mathbf{R}^n \text{ and } A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \} \quad (\text{set notation})$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Null space is in } \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

The null space of an $m \times n$ matrix A is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^n . Equivalently, the set of all solutions to a system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ of m homogeneous linear equations in n unknowns is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^n .

Proof: $\text{Nul } A$ is a subset of \mathbf{R}^n since A has n columns. Must verify properties a, b and c of the definition of a subspace.

Property (a) Show that $\mathbf{0}$ is in $\text{Nul } A$. Since _____, $\mathbf{0}$ is in

Therefore
 $A(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

Property (b) If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are in $\text{Nul } A$, show that $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is in $\text{Nul } A$. Since \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are in $\text{Nul } A$,

_____ and _____.

Property (c) If \mathbf{u} is in $\text{Nul } A$ and c is a scalar, show that $c\mathbf{u}$ in $\text{Nul } A$:

$$A(c\mathbf{u}) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}A(\mathbf{u}) = c\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Since properties a, b and c hold, A is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^n .

Solving $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ yields an **explicit description** of $\text{Nul } A$.

EXAMPLE: Find an explicit description of $\text{Nul } A$ where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & 6 & 3 & 9 \\ 6 & 12 & 13 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: Row reduce augmented matrix corresponding to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & 6 & 3 & 9 & 0 \\ 6 & 12 & 13 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \dots \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 13 & 33 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -6 & -15 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2x_2 - 13x_4 - 33x_5 \\ x_2 \\ 6x_4 + 15x_5 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -13 \\ 0 \\ 6 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_5 \begin{bmatrix} -33 \\ 0 \\ 15 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$\text{Nul } A = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}\}$$

The Contrast Between $\text{Nul } A$ and $\text{Col } A$

EXAMPLE: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 \\ 3 & 6 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (a) The column space of A is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^k where $k = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.
- (b) The null space of A is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^k where $k = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.
- (c) Find a nonzero vector in $\text{Nul } A$ (There are infinitely many possibilities.)

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ 10 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \\ \\ \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) Find a nonzero vector in $\text{Nul } A$. Solve $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ and pick one solution.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ row reduces to } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= -2x_2 \\ x_2 &\text{ is free} \\ x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Let $x_2 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ and then

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \\ \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

Review

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- c. For each \mathbf{u} in H and each scalar c , $c\mathbf{u}$ is in H . (In this case we say H is closed under scalar multiplication.)

If the subset H satisfies these three properties, then H itself is a vector space.

If $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$ are in a vector space V , then $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$ is a subspace of V .

The null space of an $m \times n$ matrix A is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^n .

The column space of an $m \times n$ matrix A is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^m .

$$(b) V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} : \begin{matrix} x - y = 0 \\ y + z = 0 \end{matrix} \right\}$$

Solution: Rewrite $\begin{matrix} x - y = 0 \\ y + z = 0 \end{matrix}$ as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So $V = \text{Nul } A$ where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Since $\text{Nul } A$ is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^3 , V is a vector space.

$$(c) S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x+y \\ 2x-3y \\ 3y \end{bmatrix} : x, y, z \text{ are real} \right\}$$

One Solution: Since

$$\begin{bmatrix} x+y \\ 2x-3y \\ 3y \end{bmatrix} = x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$S = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}; \text{ therefore } S \text{ is a vector space by 1.}$$

Another Solution: Since

$$\begin{bmatrix} x+y \\ 2x-3y \\ 3y \end{bmatrix} = x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix},$$

$S = \text{Col } A$ where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$; therefore S is a vector space, since a column space is a vector space.

Linear Independence

Definition

A set of vectors $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$ in a vector space V is said to be **linearly independent** if the vector equation

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_p\mathbf{v}_p = \mathbf{0}$$

has only the trivial solution $c_1 = 0, \dots, c_p = 0$.

Trivial combination, with all weights $c_i=0$, produces the zero vector.

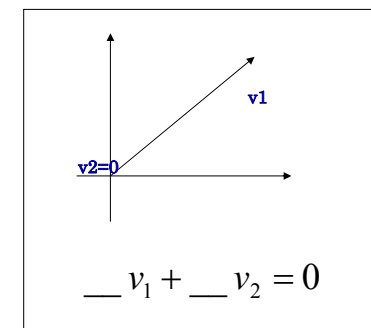
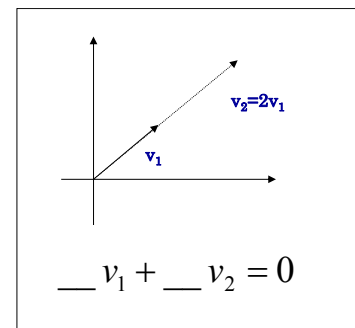
The set $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$ is said to be **linearly dependent** if there exists weights c_1, \dots, c_p , not all 0, such that

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_p\mathbf{v}_p = \mathbf{0}.$$

Vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$ are linear independent if no combination give zero vector (except the zero combination all $c=0$)

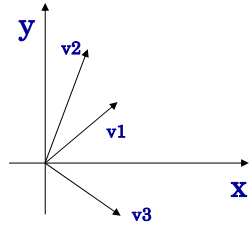
Linear Independence

Linearly independent if no combination gives the zero vector except the zero combination.



If one vector is zero dependence is said

Linear Independence



$$AC = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

- 2 vectors are dependent if they lie on the same line.
- 3 vectors are dependent if they lie in the same plane.
- A random choice of vectors, without any special accident, should produce linear independence.
- 4 vectors are always linearly dependent in R^3

Linear Independence

Repeat the definition

When v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n are columns of A

- They are independent if the null space of A is the zero vector only
- They are dependent if there are something in the null space.

$$\underline{A}C = 0 \quad \text{for nonzero } \underline{C}$$

The columns of an $m \times n$ matrix are independent

- All columns are _____ columns
- Rank = _____ \rightarrow the null space of A is only 0 (no free variable)
- Rank < _____ \rightarrow at least one free variable

Linear Independence

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 & 9 & 5 \\ -1 & -3 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

What is the combination of column with weights $-3, 1, 0, 0$?

$2 \times \text{row } 2 - 5 \times \text{row } 1 =$ _____

Dependent? or Independent?

The null space of A contains only the zero vector \rightarrow the columns of A are linearly independent

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Dependent? or Independent?

Linear Independence

For any echelon matrix U ; the nonzero rows must be _____

If we pick out the columns that contain the pivots \rightarrow linearly independent

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Column 1 and 3 are _____
- No set of 3 columns is _____
- Column 1 and column 4 are _____

The nonzero rows of an echelon matrix U are the rows that contain pivots (r) and are linearly independent.

Linear Independence

The columns of n by n identity matrix

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Dependent? or Independent?

In \mathbb{R}^4

$$e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad e_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad e_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Coordinate vectors

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Linear Independence

To check any set of vectors v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n for linear independence

- Form the matrix A whose n columns are the given vectors.
- Solve for $\underline{A}\underline{C} = 0$

Dependent \rightarrow a solution other than $\underline{C} = 0$ (zero vector)

Independent \rightarrow no free variables (rank is n) \rightarrow none of vector except $\underline{C} = 0$ is in the null space

$m < n \rightarrow$ impossible for the columns to be linearly independent!
rank $< n$ (we cannot have n pivots)

There cannot be n pivots, since there are not enough rows to hold them

A set of n vectors in \mathbb{R}^m must be linearly dependent if $n > m$

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Linear Independence

Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Impossible to have 3 independent vectors in \mathbb{R}^2

$$A \rightarrow U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Spanning a subspace

A set of vectors w_1, \dots, w_l spans a space means the space consists of all linear combinations of those vectors.

General definition

If a vectors space V consists of all linear combinations of the particular vectors w_1, \dots, w_l then these vectors span the space. In other words, every vector v in V can be expressed as some combination of the w 's:

$$v = c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_l w_l \quad \text{for some coefficients } c_i$$

The coefficients need not be unique because the spanning set might be excessively large

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Spanning a subspace

Example The column space of a matrix is exactly the space that is spanned by its columns.
 ~ Columns of a matrix span a column s

Let $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ be a set in V and let $H = \text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$.

If one of the vectors in S - say v_k - is a linear combination of the remaining vectors in S , then the set formed from S by removing v_k still spans H .

<p>To decide if b is a combination of the columns \rightarrow solve $Ax=b$</p> <p><i>Spanning involves the column space.</i></p>	<p>To decide if the columns are independent \rightarrow solve $Ax=0$</p> <p><i>Independence involves the null space</i></p>
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Spanning a subspace

EXAMPLE: Suppose $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: If x is in $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$, then

$$x = c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + c_3v_3 = c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + c_3(\text{---}v_1 + \text{---}v_2)$$

$$= \text{---}v_1 + \text{---}v_2$$

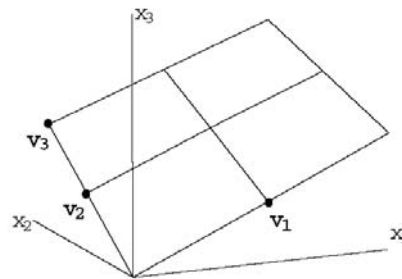
Therefore,

$$\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\} = \text{Span}\{v_1, v_2\}.$$

A Basis Set

Let H be the plane illustrated below. Which of the following are valid descriptions of H ?

- (a) $H = \text{Span}\{v_1, v_2\}$ (b) $H = \text{Span}\{v_1, v_3\}$
 (c) $H = \text{Span}\{v_2, v_3\}$ (d) $H = \text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$



A Basis Set

A *basis set* is an “efficient” spanning set containing no unnecessary vectors. In this case, we would consider the linearly independent sets $\{v_1, v_2\}$ and $\{v_1, v_3\}$ to both be examples of basis sets or bases (plural for basis) for H .

DEFINITION

Let H be a subspace of a vector space V . An indexed set of vectors $\beta = \{b_1, \dots, b_p\}$ in V is a basis for H if

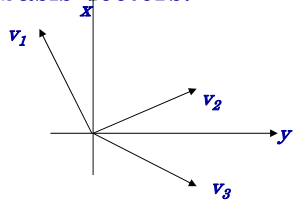
- (i) β is a linearly independent set, and
- (ii) $H = \text{Span}\{b_1, \dots, b_p\}$.

In other word \rightarrow A *basis* for a vector space is a set of vectors having two properties at once:

1. They are linearly independent.
2. They span the space.

Basis

- Every vector in the space is a combination of the basis vectors, because they span.
- The combination is unique.
- There is one and only one way to write v as a combination of the basis vectors.



The vector v_1 by itself is _____ but fails to _____ \mathbb{R}^2

The vectors v_1, v_2, v_3 span \mathbb{R}^2 but are not _____

Any two of these vectors have both properties \rightarrow form a basis.

Basis

Example Space in \mathbb{R}^3

One basis is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Are these vectors independent?

The null space of identity matrix is only zero. Therefore columns are _____

Another basis $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$

v_1 & v_2 : they are independent but may not span \mathbb{R}^3 (there can be vector in \mathbb{R}^3 that is not combination of those vectors)

If $v_3 = (3, 3, 7)^T \rightarrow$ dependent it lies on the same plane as v_1, v_2
 v_3 must be any vector that does not lie in the same plane as v_1, v_2

How to check it?

Square matrix is invertible \rightarrow columns are independent \rightarrow a basis for \mathbb{R}^n

EXAMPLE: Let $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

Is $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 ?

Solution: Again, let $A = [v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$. Using row

reduction,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

EXAMPLE: Find a basis for $\text{Nul } A$ where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & 6 & 3 & 9 \\ 6 & 12 & 13 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: Row reduce $[A \ 0]$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 13 & 33 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -6 & -15 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 &= -2x_2 - 13x_4 - 33x_5 \\ x_3 &= 6x_4 + 15x_5 \\ x_2, x_4 \text{ and } x_5 &\text{ are free} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2x_2 - 13x_4 - 33x_5 \\ x_2 \\ 6x_4 + 15x_5 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -13 \\ 0 \\ 6 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_5 \begin{bmatrix} -33 \\ 0 \\ 15 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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u **v** **w**

Basis

Example

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The four columns span the column space but not _____

The columns that contain pivots are a basis for the column space.

The columns of a matrix span its column space. If they are independent → a basis for the column space (whether matrix is square or rectangular)

The columns to be a basis for the space R^n , the matrix must be square and invertible.

Bases for Col A

EXAMPLE: Find a basis for Col A , where

$$A = [a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3 \ a_4] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & 2 & 22 \\ 4 & 8 & 0 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: Row reduce:

$$[a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3 \ a_4] \sim \dots \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = [b_1 \ b_2 \ b_3 \ b_4]$$

Note that

$$b_2 = \text{---} b_1 \quad \text{and} \quad a_2 = \text{---} a_1$$

$$b_4 = 4b_1 + 5b_3 \quad \text{and} \quad a_4 = 4a_1 + 5a_3$$

b_1 and b_3 are not multiples of each other
 a_1 and a_3 are not multiples of each other

Elementary row operations on a matrix do not affect the linear dependence relations among the columns of the matrix.

Therefore $\text{Span}\{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4\} = \text{Span}\{a_1, a_3\}$ and $\{a_1, a_3\}$ is a basis for Col A .

Let $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$, $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$, $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$. Find a basis for $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$.

Solution: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & -4 & 6 \\ -3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$ and note that $\text{Col } A = \text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$.

By row reduction, $A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Therefore a basis

for $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

The pivot columns of a matrix A form a basis for Col A

Review:

1. To find a basis for $\text{Nul } A$, use elementary row operations to transform $[A \ 0]$ to an equivalent reduced row echelon form $[B \ 0]$. Use the reduced row echelon form to find parametric form of the general solution to $Ax = 0$. The vectors found in this parametric form of the general solution form a basis for $\text{Nul } A$.

2. A basis for $\text{Col } A$ is formed from the pivot columns of A .
Warning: Use the pivot columns of A, not the pivot columns of B, where B is in reduced echelon form and is row equivalent to A.

Dimension of a vector space

A vector space has infinitely many different bases but something in common → The same number of vectors

The x-y plan → 2 vectors in every basis → dimension=2

\mathbb{R}^3 → Number of vectors = 3

\mathbb{R}^n → Number of vectors = n

of dimension of a vector space

DEFINITION

If V is spanned by a finite set, then V is said to be **finite-dimensional**, and the **dimension** of V , written as $\dim V$, is the number of vectors in a basis for V . The dimension of the zero vector space $\{0\}$ is defined to be 0. If V is not spanned by a finite set, then V is said to be **infinite-dimensional**.

EXAMPLE: The standard basis for \mathbb{R}^n is $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ where e_1, \dots, e_n are the columns of I_n . So, for example, $\dim \mathbb{R}^3 = 3$.

Dimension of a vector space

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

What is a basis for the column space of U ?
 Column _____ and Column _____
 which are the _____ column.

The column space of U has dimension 2
 "Two dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 "

Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

EXAMPLE: Find a basis and the dimension of the subspace

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a + b + 2c \\ 2a + 2b + 4c + d \\ b + c + d \\ 3a + 3c + d \end{bmatrix} : a, b, c, d \text{ are real} \right\}$$

Solution: Since $\begin{bmatrix} a + b + 2c \\ 2a + 2b + 4c + d \\ b + c + d \\ 3a + 3c + d \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$,

$W = \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ where

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Note that v_3 is a linear combination of v_1 and v_2 , so by the Spanning Set Theorem, we may discard v_3 .
- v_4 is not a linear combination of v_1 and v_2 . So $\{v_1, v_2, v_4\}$ is a basis for \mathcal{W} .
- Also, $\dim \mathcal{W} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

EXAMPLE: Dimensions of subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3

0-dimensional subspace contains only the zero vector $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

1-dimensional subspaces. $\text{Span}\{v\}$ where $v \neq 0$ is in \mathbb{R}^3 .

These subspaces are _____ through the origin.

2-dimensional subspaces. $\text{Span}\{u, v\}$ where u and v are in \mathbb{R}^3 and are not multiples of each other.

These subspaces are _____ through the origin.

3-dimensional subspaces. $\text{Span}\{u, v, w\}$ where u, v, w are linearly independent vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 . This subspace is \mathbb{R}^3 itself because the columns of $A = [u \ v \ w]$ span \mathbb{R}^3 according to the IMT.

Let H be a subspace of a finite-dimensional vector space V . Any linearly independent set in H can be expanded, if necessary, to a basis for H . Also, H is finite-dimensional and $\dim H \leq \dim V$.

EXAMPLE: Let $H = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. Then H is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 and $\dim H < \dim \mathbb{R}^3$.

We could expand the spanning set $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ to $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ to form a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

THE BASIS THEOREM

Let V be a p -dimensional vector space, $p \geq 1$. Any linearly independent set of exactly p vectors in V is automatically a basis for V . Any set of exactly p vectors that spans V is automatically a basis for V .

Dimensions of Col A and Nul A

Recall our techniques to find basis sets for column spaces and null spaces.

EXAMPLE: Suppose $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$. Find $\dim \text{Col } A$ and $\dim \text{Nul } A$.

Solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for $\text{Col } A$ and $\dim \text{Col } A = 2$.

Now solve $Ax = 0$ by row-reducing the corresponding augmented matrix. Then we arrive at

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \dots \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= -2x_2 - 4x_4 \\ x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for $\text{Nul } A$ and $\dim \text{Nul } A = 2$.

Dimension of a vector space

Dim Col A = number of pivot columns of A (Rank)
 Dim Nul A = number of free variables of A ($n-r$)

- Any linearly independent set V can be extended to a basis, by adding more vectors if necessary.
- Any spanning set V can be reduced to a basis, by discarding vectors if necessary.

- A basis is a maximal independent set.
 It cannot be made larger without losing independence
- A basis is also a minimal spanning set.
 It cannot be made smaller and still span the space.

~~Basis of a matrix
 Rank of a space
 Dimension of a basis~~

Dimension of the space
 Rank of the matrix

Rank

The set of all linear combinations of the row vectors of a matrix A is called the row space of A and is denoted by Row A .

EXAMPLE: Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 2 & -5 & -6 & -12 \\ 1 & -3 & -3 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{matrix} r_1 = (-1, 2, 3, 6) \\ r_2 = (2, -5, -6, -12) \\ r_3 = (1, -3, -3, -6) \end{matrix}$$

Row A = Span $\{r_1, r_2, r_3\}$ (a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4)

Col A^T = Row A

When we use row operations to reduce matrix A to matrix B , we are taking linear combinations of the rows of A to come up with B . We could reverse this process and use row operations on B to get back to A . Because of this, the row space of A equals the row space of B .

THEOREM 13

If two matrices A and B are row equivalent, then their row spaces are the same. If B is in echelon form, the nonzero rows of B form a basis for the row space of A as well as B .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 2 & -5 & -6 & -12 \\ 1 & -3 & -3 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

are row equivalent. Find a basis for row space, column space and null space of A . Also state the dimension of each.

Basis for Row A : { _____ }

dim Row A : _____

Basis for Col A : { _____ , _____ }

dim Col A : _____

To find $\text{Nul } A$, solve $Ax = 0$ first:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -5 & -6 & -12 & 0 \\ 1 & -3 & -3 & -6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3x_3 + 6x_4 \\ 0 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Basis for $\text{Nul } A$: $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and $\dim \text{Nul } A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Note the following:

$$\dim \text{Col } A = \# \text{ of pivots of } A = \# \text{ of nonzero rows in } B = \dim \text{Row } A.$$

$$\dim \text{Nul } A = \# \text{ of free variables} = \# \text{ of nonpivot columns of } A.$$

DEFINITION

The rank of A is the dimension of the column space of A .

$$\boxed{\text{rank } A = \dim \text{Col } A = \# \text{ of pivot columns of } A = \dim \text{Row } A.}$$

$$\underbrace{\text{rank } A}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \# \text{ of pivot} \\ \text{columns} \\ \text{of } A}} + \underbrace{\dim \text{Nul } A}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \# \text{ of nonpivot} \\ \text{columns} \\ \text{of } A}} = \underbrace{n}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \# \text{ of} \\ \text{columns} \\ \text{of } A}}$$

THE RANK THEOREM

The dimensions of the column space and the row space of an $m \times n$ matrix A are equal. This common dimension, the rank of A , also equals the number of pivot positions in A and satisfies the equation

$$\text{rank } A + \dim \text{Nul } A = n.$$

Since $\text{Row } A = \text{Col } A^T$,

$$\boxed{\text{rank } A = \text{rank } A^T.}$$

EXAMPLE: Suppose that a 5×8 matrix A has rank 5. Find $\dim \text{Nul } A$, $\dim \text{Row } A$ and $\text{rank } A^T$. Is $\text{Col } A = \mathbb{R}^5$?

Solution:

$$\underbrace{\text{rank } A}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ 5}} + \underbrace{\dim \text{Nul } A}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ ?}} = \underbrace{n}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ 8}}$$

$$5 + \dim \text{Nul } A = 8 \Rightarrow \dim \text{Nul } A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\dim \text{Row } A = \text{rank } A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \Rightarrow \text{rank } A^T = \text{rank } \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Since $\text{rank } A = \# \text{ of pivots in } A = 5$, there is a pivot in every row. So the columns of A span \mathbb{R}^5

Hence $\text{Col } A = \mathbb{R}^5$.

EXAMPLE: For a 9×12 matrix A , find the smallest possible value of $\dim \text{Nul } A$.

Solution:

$$\text{rank } A + \dim \text{Nul } A = 12$$

$$\dim \text{Nul } A = 12 - \underbrace{\text{rank } A}_{\text{largest possible value}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\text{smallest possible value of } \dim \text{Nul } A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Visualizing Row A and Nul A

EXAMPLE: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$. One can easily verify the following:

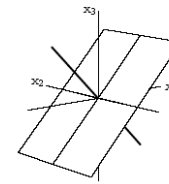
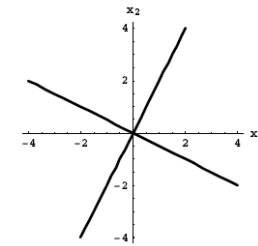
Basis for Nul $A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and therefore Nul A is a plane in \mathbf{R}^3 .

Basis for Row $A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and therefore Row A is a line in \mathbf{R}^3 .

Basis for Col $A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and therefore Col A is a line in \mathbf{R}^2 .

Basis for Nul $A^T = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and therefore Nul A^T is a line in \mathbf{R}^2 .

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Subspaces Nul A and Row A Subspaces Nul A^T and Col A

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