

LEC9 Linear independence 2.5

Spanning a Space

BASIS And dimension



a bunch of vectors

Suppose A is m by n with $m < n$

then there are ^{non-zero} some solutions to $Ax = 0$

(more unknown than equations)

the reason is there will be free variables

at least one!!

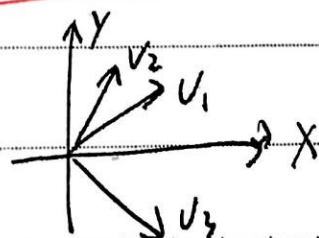
Independence

Vectors x_1, x_2, \dots are independent if
no combination gives the zero vector (except
the zero combination ($c=0$))

$$\Rightarrow c_1 x_1 + c_2 x_2 + c_3 x_3 + \dots + c_n x_n \neq 0$$



definition of independence





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Basis for a vector space is a sequence of vectors v_1, v_2, \dots, v_d with 2 properties

- ① they are independent
- ② they span the space

Example:

Space is \mathbb{R}^3 , One basis is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
standard basis

\mathbb{R}^n , if n vectors given basis if $n \times n$ matrix is invertible ($r=m=n$)

(for) a great fact: every basis about a given space, has the same number of vectors.

Definition: \uparrow the dimension of the space
 $\uparrow \mathbb{R}^n$ have n vectors ; n dimension

Example:

Space $C(A) \checkmark$ $N(A)$

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

$\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$
① ② not independent

rank = 2 = # pivot column = dimension

one of a basis for column space (of the column space)

space: column 1 & 2



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⇐ not the dimension of A is the dimension of the column space of A take attention

another basis for the column space $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$

↑ has to be independent
and span the space

so another great facts

① the dimension = the rank of the column of column space

what about null space:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\text{dim } N(A) = \# \text{ free variable.}$
 $= n - r$

two free variables
two special solution

② the dimension of null space = the number of free variables = $n - r$