

# Linear Algebra

Lecture 06-10

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## Lecture 6

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = b$$

column space  $C(A)$

### Definition

all linear combinations of the columns. — subspace of  $R^m$

**Note:** In the example, the column space is subspace of  $R^4$

**Which  $b$ 's allow this system  $Ax = b$  to be solved?**

Can solve  $Ax = b$  exactly when  $b$  is  $C(A)$

### Pivot Column

the columns that are linear independent.

**Note:** In the example, pivot columns are column 1 and 2. Or column 2 and 3.  
Because  $Column3 = Column1 + Column2$

### Dimension

equals to the number of pivot columns.

Nullspace  $N(A)$

### Definition

all solutions  $x$  that  $Ax=0$  — subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

#### Note:

- $N(A)$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
- Nullspace must contain **ZERO vector**

### Row space

#### Definition

all linear combinations of the rows. — subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

## Lecture 7

### solve $Ax=0$ , Nullspace

- First step: **Elimination**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 8 & 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = U$$

#### Note:

- $U$  is called **Echelon Form**
- Column 1 and 3 are **pivot columns**, Column 2 and 4 are free columns.
- $x_1$  and  $x_3$  are pivot variables,  $x_2$  and  $x_4$  are free variables.
- **Rank**: The number of pivots

- Second step: **Solve**  $Ux = 0$

分别令 free variable 为 0, 求得 Nullspace 的 base

$$\text{令 } x_2 = 1, x_4 = 0, \text{ 得 } \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\text{令 } x_2 = 0, x_4 = 1, \text{ 得 } \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

所以x解为：

$$x = c \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

也即是A的Nullspace  $N(A)$

**Note:**

- Reduced row echelon form: zeros above and below pivots and pivots equal 1.

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\text{Rank}(A) = \text{Rank}(A^T)$

## Lecture 8

solve  $Ax = b$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 8 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

argmented matrix:  $[A \quad b]$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 & b_1 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 & b_2 \\ 3 & 6 & 8 & 10 & b_3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 & b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 & b_2 - 2b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & b_3 - b_2 - b_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solvability Condition on b**

$Ax = b$  solvable if when b is in  $C(A)$

if a combination of rows of A gives zero row, the same of combination of the entries of b must give 0.

To find complete solutions to  $Ax = b$

1.  $x_{\text{particular}}$

- set all free variables ( $x_2$  and  $x_4$ ) to zero
- solve  $Ax = b$  for pivot variables. (we get  $x_1 = -2$  and  $x_3 = \frac{3}{2}$ )

$$\circ x_p = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

2.  $x_{\text{nullspace}}$

3.  $x_{\text{complete}} = x_p + x_n$ ,  $x_n$  is any vector in nullspace.

prove:

$$Ax_p = b \text{ and } Ax_n = 0, \text{ so } A(x_p + x_n) = b$$

m by n matrix of rank r ( $r \leq m, r \leq n$ )

Full column rank means  $r = n$

- No free variable
- $N(A) = \vec{0}$
- solutions to  $Ax = b, x = x_p$ , unique solution if it exists. That is, 0 or 1 solution.

Full row rank means  $r = m$

- can solve  $Ax = b$  for every b
- left with  $n - m$  free variables
- $Ax = b$  has 1 or infinite solutions

Full row rank and column rank  $r = m = n$

- invertible
- the reduced echelon form is identity matrix
- the nullspace is zero vector only
- $Ax = b$  has 1 solution

Rank  $r < n, r < m$

-  $Ax = b$  has 0 or infinite solutions

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## Lecture 9

Suppose  $A$  is  $m$  by  $n$  with  $m < n$ . Then there are nonzero solutions to  $Ax = 0$ . (more unknowns than equations)

Reason: There will be free variables.

## Linear independence

### Definition

Vectors  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are independent if no combination gives zero vector (except the zero combination).

#### Note:

- Independent vectors must not contain zero vector.

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

- they are independent if nullspace of  $A$  is only the zero vector. **rank =  $n$**
- they are dependent if  $Ac = 0$  for some nonzero  $c$ . **rank  $< n$**

## Spanning a space

### Definition

Vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_l$  spans a space means: the space consists of all combinations of those vectors.

**Note:** The column vectors span the column space.

## Basis

### Definition

Basis for a space is a sequence of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_d$  with two properties

1. They are independent
2. They span the space

In  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n$  vectors give basis if  $n \times n$  matrix with those columns is invertible.

**Given a space, every basis for the space has the same number of vectors.**

— **DIMENSION**

#### Note:

- $\text{Rank}(A) = \text{number of pivot columns} = \text{dimension of } C(A)$
- dimension  $N(A) = \text{number of free variables} = n - r$

standard basis: the column of identity.

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## Lecture 10

$A$  is  $m$  by  $n$ .

### Four fundamental subspace

1. Column space  $C(A)$  in  $R^m$   
 $\dim C(A) = \text{rank}$
2. Nullspace  $N(A)$  in  $R^n$
3. Row space  
all combinations of rows = all combinations of column of  $A^T = C(A^T)$  in  $R^n$
4. Nullspace of  $A^T = N(A^T)$  — left nullspace of  $A$  in  $R^m$

	$C(A)$	<b>row space</b>	$N(A)$	$N(A^T)$
basis	pivot columns	the first $r$ row of $R$	special solutions	basis is in $E$ , $EA = R$
dimensions	$r$	$r$	$n-r$	$m-r$

**Note:**  $C(A) \neq C(R)$ ,  $R$  is the echelon form of  $A$

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