

LECTURE-5(C)

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Example -2

Example-2: Determining the dimension of a subspace of R^3

(a) $W = \{(d, c-d, c) : c \text{ and } d \text{ are real numbers}\}$

(b) $W = \{(2b, b, 0) : b \text{ is a real number}\}$

Sol: (Hint: find a set of L.I. vectors that spans the subspace, i.e., find a basis for the subspace.)

(a) $(d, c-d, c) = c(0, 1, 1) + d(1, -1, 0)$

$\Rightarrow S = \{(0, 1, 1), (1, -1, 0)\}$ (S is L.I. and S spans W)

$\Rightarrow S$ is a basis for W

$\Rightarrow \dim(W) = \#(S) = 2$

(b) $\because (2b, b, 0) = b(2, 1, 0)$

$\Rightarrow S = \{(2, 1, 0)\}$ spans W and S is L.I.

$\Rightarrow S$ is a basis for $W \Rightarrow \dim(W) = \#(S) = 1$

Example -3

Example-3: Finding the dimension of a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$

Let W be the subspace of all symmetric matrices in $M_{2 \times 2}$. What is the dimension of W ?

Sol:

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c \in R \right\}$$

$$\because \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ spans } W \text{ and } S \text{ is L.I.}$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is a basis for W

$$\Rightarrow \dim(W) = \#(S) = 3$$

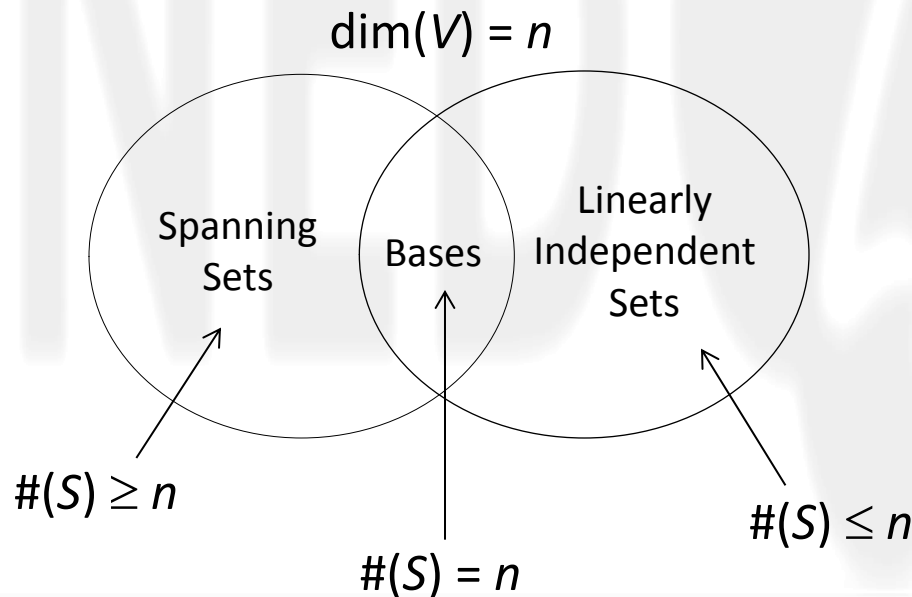
Theorem

Methods to identify a basis in an n -dimensional space

Let V be a vector space of dimension n

- (1) If $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a linearly independent set of vectors in V , then S is a basis for V .
- (2) If $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ spans V , then S is a basis for V

(Both results are due to the fact that $\#(S) = n$)



Example -4

Example-4: Determine the dimension of and a basis for the solution space of the system

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 - 4x_2 + 3x_3 - x_4 &= 0 \\ 2x_1 - 8x_2 + 6x_3 - 2x_4 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Sol: The Augmented Matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & -8 & 6 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-2R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Reduced echelon form

Retransform into linear equation

$$x_1 - 4x_2 + 3x_3 - x_4 = 0 \quad \text{or } x_1 = 4x_2 - 3x_3 + x_4$$

$$\text{Let } x_2 = s \quad x_3 = t \quad \& \quad x_4 = u$$

$$\therefore x_1 = 4s - 3t + u$$

EXAMPLE-4

The solution in matrix form is

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4s - 3t + u \\ s \\ t \\ u \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + u \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Where s , t and u are scalars. Above equation represents the vector $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)^T$ is a linear combination of vectors $\mathbf{v}_1 = (4, 1, 0, 0)^T$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = (-3, 0, 1, 0)^T$ and $\mathbf{v}_3 = (1, 0, 0, 1)^T$. Therefore $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ spans the solution space. Since neither of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$ expressed as a linear combination of other, therefore they are linearly independent vectors.

Hence $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is a basis for solution space, therefore, the solution space has three dimension.

EXAMPLE-5

Example-5: Determine the dimension of a basis for the solution space of the system

$$x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$2x_1 - 6x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$$

$$3x_1 - 9x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$$

Sol: The Augmented Matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -6 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -9 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{-2R_1 + R_2 \\ -3R_1 + R_3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Retransform into linear equation

$$x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$\text{or } x_1 = 3x_2 - x_3$$

$$\text{Let } x_2 = s$$

$$x_3 = t$$

$$x_1 = 3s - t$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3s - t \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3s \\ s \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -t \\ 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Where s and t are scalars. Above equation represents the vector $(x_1, x_2, x_3)^T$ is a linear combination of vectors $\mathbf{v}_1 = (3, 1, 0)^T$ & $\mathbf{v}_2 = (-1, 0, 1)^T$. Therefore $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ spans the solution space. Since neither of \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_2 expressed as a linear combination of other, therefore they are linearly independent vectors.

Hence $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ is a basis for solution space, therefore, the solution space has two dimension.