

# CHAPTER 4

## VECTOR SPACES

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## 4.4 Spanning Sets and Linear Independence

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- **Linear combination:**

A vector  $\mathbf{v}$  in a vector space  $V$  is called a linear combination of the vectors  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$  in  $V$  if  $\mathbf{v}$  can be written in the form

$$\mathbf{v} = c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + c_k\mathbf{u}_k \qquad c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k : \text{scalars}$$

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▪ **Ex 2-3: (Finding a linear combination)**

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = (1,2,3) \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = (0,1,2) \quad \mathbf{v}_3 = (-1,0,1)$$

Prove (a)  $\mathbf{w} = (1,1,1)$  is a linear combination of  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$

(b)  $\mathbf{w} = (1,-2,2)$  is not a linear combination of  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$

**Sol:**

$$(a) \quad \mathbf{w} = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + c_3 \mathbf{v}_3$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1,1,1) &= c_1(1,2,3) + c_2(0,1,2) + c_3(-1,0,1) \\ &= (c_1 - c_3, 2c_1 + c_2, 3c_1 + 2c_2 + c_3) \end{aligned}$$

$$c_1 - c_3 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c_1 + c_2 = 1$$

$$3c_1 + 2c_2 + c_3 = 1$$

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$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Guass-Jordan Elimination}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = 1 + t, \quad c_2 = -1 - 2t, \quad c_3 = t$$

(this system has infinitely many solutions)

$$\stackrel{t=1}{\Rightarrow} \mathbf{w} = 2\mathbf{v}_1 - 3\mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_3$$

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(b)  $\mathbf{w} = (1, -2, 2)$  is not a linear combination of  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$

$$\mathbf{w} = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + c_3 \mathbf{v}_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Guass-Jordan Elimination}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 \end{array} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow$  this system has no solution ( $\because 0 \neq 7$ )

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{w} \neq c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + c_3 \mathbf{v}_3$$

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- the span of a set:  $\text{span}(S)$

If  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  is a set of vectors in a vector space  $V$ , then **the span of  $S$**  is the set of all linear combinations of the vectors in  $S$ ,

$$\text{span}(S) = \{c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{v}_k \mid \forall c_i \in R\}$$

(the set of all linear combinations of vectors in  $S$ )

- a spanning set of a vector space:

If every vector in a given vector space can be written as a linear combination of vectors in a given set  $S$ , then  $S$  is called **a spanning set** of the vector space.

$$\text{span}(S) = \{c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{v}_k \mid \forall c_i \in R\} = V$$

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■ Notes:

$$\text{span}(S) = V$$

$\Rightarrow S$  spans (generates)  $V$

$V$  is spanned (generated) by  $S$

$S$  is a spanning set of  $V$

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■ **Ex 5: (A spanning set for  $R^3$ )**

Show that the set  $S = \{(1,2,3), (0,1,2), (-2,0,1)\}$  spans  $R^3$

**Sol:**

We must determine whether an arbitrary vector  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$  in  $R^3$  can be as a linear combination of  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{v}_3$ .

$$\mathbf{u} \in R^3 \Rightarrow \mathbf{u} = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + c_3 \mathbf{v}_3$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 - 2c_3 = u_1$$

$$2c_1 + c_2 = u_2$$

$$3c_1 + 2c_2 + c_3 = u_3$$

The problem thus reduces to determining whether this system is consistent for all values of  $u_1, u_2$ , and  $u_3$ .



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$$\because |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

$\Rightarrow A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has exactly one solution for every  $\mathbf{u}$ .

$$\Rightarrow \text{span}(S) = R^3$$

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▪ **Thm 4.7: ( $\text{Span}(S)$  is a subspace of  $V$ )**

If  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  is a set of vectors in a vector space  $V$ ,  
then

(a)  $\text{span}(S)$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

Prove :

(b)  $\text{span}(S)$  is the smallest subspace of  $V$  that contains  $S$ .

(Every other subspace of  $V$  that contains  $S$  must contain  $\text{span}(S)$ .)

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- **Linear Independent (L.I.) and Linear Dependent (L.D.):**

$S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  : a set of vectors in a vector space  $V$

$$c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{0}$$

- (1) If the equation has only the trivial solution ( $c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_k = 0$ ) then  $S$  is called linearly independent.
- (2) If the equation has a nontrivial solution (i.e., not all zeros), then  $S$  is called linearly dependent.

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■ **Ex 8: (Testing for linearly independent)**

Determine whether the following set of vectors in  $R^3$  is L.I. or L.D.

$$S = \{(1, 2, 3), (0, 1, 2), (-2, 0, 1)\}$$

**Sol:**

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & \mathbf{v}_1 & & \mathbf{v}_2 & & \mathbf{v}_3 & \\ & & & & c_1 & & -2c_3 = 0 \end{array}$$

$$c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + c_3 \mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & 2c_1 + & c_2 + & = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & 3c_1 + 2c_2 + & c_3 = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Gauss - Jordan Elimination}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0 \quad (\text{only the trivial solution})$$

$$\Rightarrow S \text{ is linearly independent}$$

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■ Ex 9: (Testing for linearly independent)

Determine whether the following set of vectors in  $P_2$  is L.I. or L.D.

$$S = \{1+x-2x^2, 2+5x-x^2, x+x^2\}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 \qquad \mathbf{v}_2 \qquad \mathbf{v}_3$$

Sol:

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + c_3\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\text{i.e. } c_1(1+x-2x^2) + c_2(2+5x-x^2) + c_3(x+x^2) = 0+0x+0x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{array}{rcl} c_1 + 2c_2 & = & 0 \\ c_1 + 5c_2 + c_3 & = & 0 \\ -2c_1 - c_2 + c_3 & = & 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{G.J.}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow$  This system has infinitely many solutions.

(i.e., This system has nontrivial solutions.)

$\Rightarrow S$  is linearly dependent. (Ex:  $c_1=2$ ,  $c_2=-1$ ,  $c_3=3$ )

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- **Ex 10: (Testing for linearly independent)**

Determine whether the following set of vectors in  $2 \times 2$  matrix space is L.I. or L.D.

$$S = \left\{ \underset{\mathbf{v}_1}{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}, \underset{\mathbf{v}_2}{\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}, \underset{\mathbf{v}_3}{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}} \right\}$$

**Sol:**

$$c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + c_3 \mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \quad & 2c_1 + 3c_2 + c_3 = 0 \\ & c_1 = 0 \\ & 2c_2 + 2c_3 = 0 \\ & c_1 + c_2 = 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Gauss - Jordan Elimination}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0 \text{ (This system has only the trivial solution.)}$$

$$\Rightarrow S \text{ is linearly independent.}$$

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- **Thm 4.8: (A property of linearly dependent sets)**

A set  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$ ,  $k \geq 2$ , is linearly dependent if and only if at least one of the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_j$  in  $S$  can be written as a linear combination of the other vectors in  $S$ .

**Pf:**

$$(\Rightarrow) \quad c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{0}$$

$\because S$  is linearly dependent

$$\Rightarrow c_i \neq 0 \text{ for some } i$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{v}_i = \frac{c_1}{-c_i} \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + \frac{c_{i-1}}{-c_i} \mathbf{v}_{i-1} + \frac{c_{i+1}}{-c_i} \mathbf{v}_{i+1} + \dots + \frac{c_k}{-c_i} \mathbf{v}_k$$



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$(\Leftarrow)$

$$\text{Let } \mathbf{v}_i = d_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + d_{i-1} \mathbf{v}_{i-1} + d_{i+1} \mathbf{v}_{i+1} + \dots + d_k \mathbf{v}_k$$

$$\Rightarrow d_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + d_{i-1} \mathbf{v}_{i-1} - \mathbf{v}_i + d_{i+1} \mathbf{v}_{i+1} + \dots + d_k \mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = d_1, \dots, c_{i-1} = d_{i-1}, c_i = -1, c_{i+1} = d_{i+1}, \dots, c_k = d_k \text{ (nontrivial solution)}$$

$\Rightarrow S$  is linearly dependent

# Key Learning in Section 4.4

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- Write a linear combination of a set of vectors in a vector space  $V$ .
- Determine whether a set  $S$  of vectors in a vector space  $V$  is a spanning set of  $V$ .
- Determine whether a set of vectors in a vector space  $V$  is linearly independent.

## Keywords in Section 4.4:

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- linear combination : 線性組合
- spanning set : 生成集合
- trivial solution : 顯然解
- linear independent : 線性獨立
- linear dependent : 線性相依

## 4.5 Basis and Dimension

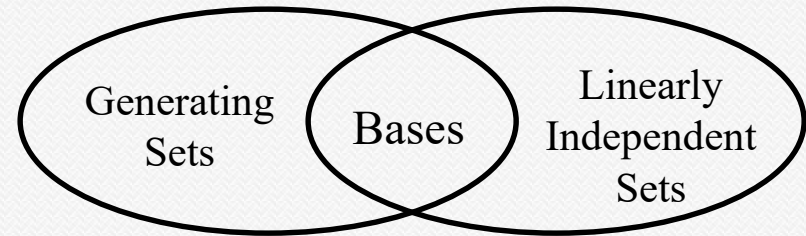
- **Basis:**

$V$  : a vector space

$$S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\} \subseteq V$$

$$\begin{cases} (a) \ S \text{ spans } V \text{ (i.e., } \text{span}(S) = V) \\ (b) \ S \text{ is linearly independent} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow S$  is called a **basis** for  $V$



- **Notes:**

(1)  $\emptyset$  is a basis for  $\{\mathbf{0}\}$

(2) the standard basis for  $R^3$ :

$$\{i, j, k\} \quad i = (1, 0, 0), \quad j = (0, 1, 0), \quad k = (0, 0, 1)$$

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(3) the standard basis for  $R^n$ :

$$\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\} \quad \mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0), \mathbf{e}_2 = (0, 1, \dots, 0), \mathbf{e}_n = (0, 0, \dots, 1)$$

**Ex:**  $R^4$       $\{(1, 0, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1)\}$

(4) the standard basis for  $m \times n$  matrix space:

$$\{E_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$$

**Ex:**  $2 \times 2$  matrix space:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(5) the standard basis for  $P_n(x)$ :

$$\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$$

**Ex:**  $P_3(x)$       $\{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$

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■ **Thm 4.9: (Uniqueness of basis representation)**

If  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  is a basis for a vector space  $V$ , then every vector in  $V$  can be written in one and only one way as a linear combination of vectors in  $S$ .

**Pf:**

$$\because S \text{ is a basis} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 1. \text{ } \text{span}(S) = V \\ 2. \text{ } S \text{ is linearly independent} \end{cases}$$

$$\because \text{span}(S) = V \quad \text{Let } \mathbf{v} = c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n$$

$$\mathbf{v} = b_1\mathbf{v}_1 + b_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + b_n\mathbf{v}_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{0} = (c_1 - b_1)\mathbf{v}_1 + (c_2 - b_2)\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + (c_n - b_n)\mathbf{v}_n$$

$$\because S \text{ is linearly independent}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = b_1, c_2 = b_2, \dots, c_n = b_n \quad (\text{i.e., uniqueness})$$

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- **Thm 4.10: (Bases and linear dependence)**

If  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  is a basis for a vector space  $V$ , then every set containing more than  $n$  vectors in  $V$  is linearly dependent.

**Pf:**

Let  $S_1 = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$ ,  $m > n$

$\because \text{span}(S) = V$

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \mathbf{u}_1 & = & c_{11}\mathbf{v}_1 + c_{21}\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_{n1}\mathbf{v}_n \\ \mathbf{u}_i \in V \quad \Rightarrow & \mathbf{u}_2 & = c_{12}\mathbf{v}_1 + c_{22}\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_{n2}\mathbf{v}_n \\ & & \vdots \\ & \mathbf{u}_m & = c_{1m}\mathbf{v}_1 + c_{2m}\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_{nm}\mathbf{v}_n \end{array}$$

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$$\text{Let } k_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + k_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + k_m \mathbf{u}_m = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow d_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + d_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + d_n \mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0} \quad (\text{where } d_i = c_{i1}k_1 + c_{i2}k_2 + \dots + c_{im}k_m)$$

$\therefore S$  is L.I.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow d_i = 0 \quad \forall i \quad \text{i.e.} \quad & c_{11}k_1 + c_{12}k_2 + \dots + c_{1m}k_m = 0 \\ & c_{21}k_1 + c_{22}k_2 + \dots + c_{2m}k_m = 0 \\ & \vdots \\ & c_{n1}k_1 + c_{n2}k_2 + \dots + c_{nm}k_m = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Thm 1.1: If the homogeneous system has fewer equations than variables, then it must have infinitely many solution.

$$m > n \Rightarrow k_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + k_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + k_m \mathbf{u}_m = \mathbf{0} \text{ has nontrivial solution}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_1 \text{ is linearly dependent}$$



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- **Thm 4.11: (Number of vectors in a basis)**

If a vector space  $V$  has one basis with  $n$  vectors, then every basis for  $V$  has  $n$  vectors. (All bases for a finite-dimensional vector space has the same number of vectors.)

**Pf:**

$$S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$$

$$S' = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$$

two bases for a vector space

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} S \text{ is a basis} \\ S' \text{ is L.I.} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Thm.4.10} \\ \Rightarrow n \geq m \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} S \text{ is L.I.} \\ S' \text{ is a basis} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Thm.4.10} \\ \Rightarrow n \leq m \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow n = m$$

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- **Finite dimensional:**

A vector space  $V$  is called **finite dimensional**,  
if it has a basis consisting of a finite number of elements.

- **Infinite dimensional:**

If a vector space  $V$  is not finite dimensional,  
then it is called **infinite dimensional**.

- **Dimension:**

The **dimension** of a finite dimensional vector space  $V$  is  
defined to be the number of vectors in a basis for  $V$ .

$V$ : a vector space                       $S$ : a basis for  $V$

$\Rightarrow \dim(V) = \#(S)$                       (the number of vectors in  $S$ )

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■ **Notes:**

$$(1) \dim(\{\mathbf{0}\}) = 0 = \#(\emptyset)$$

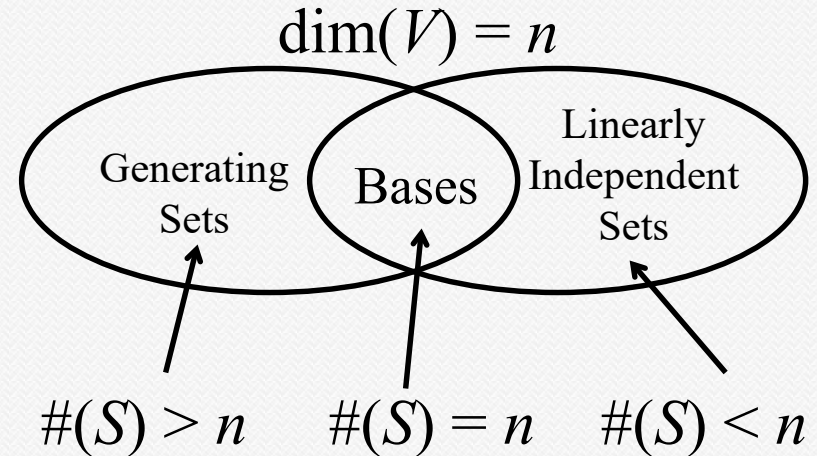
$$(2) \dim(V) = n, S \subseteq V$$

$$S : \text{a generating set} \Rightarrow \#(S) \geq n$$

$$S : \text{a L.I. set} \Rightarrow \#(S) \leq n$$

$$S : \text{a basis} \Rightarrow \#(S) = n$$

$$(3) \dim(V) = n, W \text{ is a subspace of } V \Rightarrow \dim(W) \leq n$$



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■ **Ex:**

(1) Vector space  $R^n \Rightarrow$  basis  $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\}$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(R^n) = n$$

(2) Vector space  $M_{m \times n} \Rightarrow$  basis  $\{E_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(M_{m \times n}) = mn$$

(3) Vector space  $P_n(x) \Rightarrow$  basis  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(P_n(x)) = n+1$$

(4) Vector space  $P(x) \Rightarrow$  basis  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots\}$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(P(x)) = \infty$$

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■ **Ex 9: (Finding the dimension of a subspace)**

(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:** (Note: Find a set of L.I. vectors that spans 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  $W$

$\Rightarrow \dim(W) = \#(S) = 1$

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▪ **Ex 11: (Finding the dimension of a subspace)**

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

What is the dimension of  $W$ ?

**Sol:**

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow S \text{ is a basis for } W \Rightarrow \dim(W) = \#(S) = 3$$

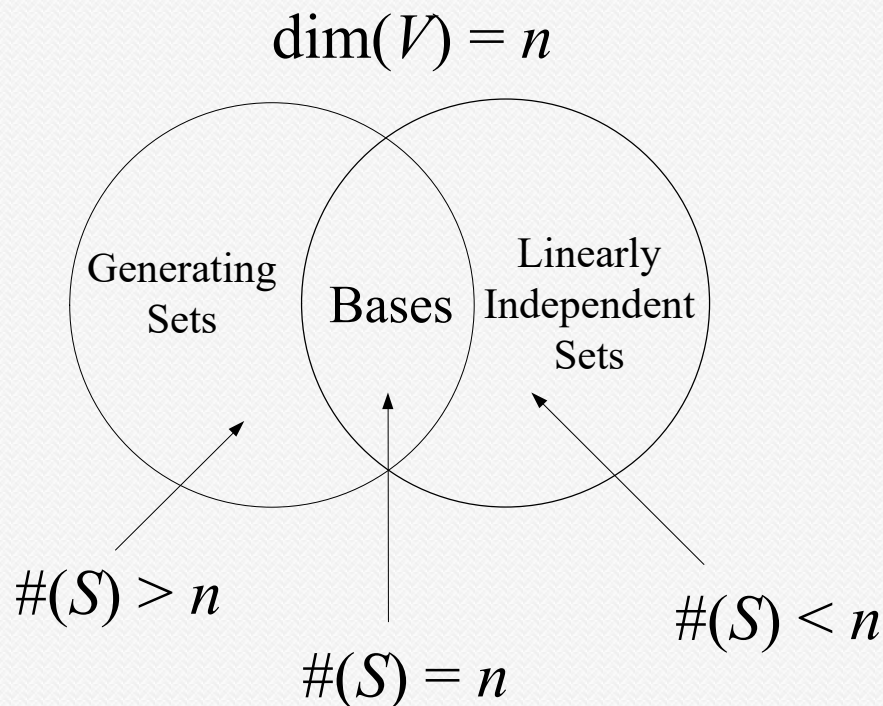
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- **Thm 4.12: (Basis tests in an  $n$ -dimensional space)**

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  $V$ .



# Key Learning in Section 4.5

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- Recognize bases in the vector spaces  $R^n$ ,  $P_n$  and  $M_{m,n}$
- Find the dimension of a vector space.



## Keywords in Section 4.5

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- basis : 基底
- dimension : 維度
- finite dimension : 有限維度
- infinite dimension : 無限維度

## 4.6 Rank of a Matrix and Systems of Linear Equations

### ■ row vectors:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{(1)} \\ A_{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ A_{(m)} \end{bmatrix}$$

### Row vectors of $A$

$$[a_{11}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{1n}] = A_{(1)}$$

$$[a_{21}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{2n}] = A_{(2)}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$[a_{m1}, a_{m2}, \dots, a_{mn}] = A_{(n)}$$

### ■ column vectors:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = [A^{(1)} : A^{(2)} : \cdots : A^{(n)}]$$

### Column vectors of $A$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} \cdots \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$A^{(1)} \quad A^{(2)} \quad A^{(n)}$$

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Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix.

- **Row space:**

The **row space** of  $A$  is the subspace of  $R^n$  spanned by the row vectors of  $A$ .

$$RS(A) = \{\alpha_1 A_{(1)} + \alpha_2 A_{(2)} + \dots + \alpha_m A_{(m)} \mid \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_m \in R\}$$

- **Column space:**

The **column space** of  $A$  is the subspace of  $R^m$  spanned by the column vectors of  $A$ .

$$CS(A) = \{\beta_1 A^{(1)} + \beta_2 A^{(2)} + \dots + \beta_n A^{(n)} \mid \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n \in R\}$$

- **Null space (零空間):**

The **null space** of  $A$  is the set of all solutions of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  and it is a subspace of  $R^n$ .

$$NS(A) = \{\mathbf{x} \in R^n \mid A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}\}$$

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- Thm 4.13: (Row-equivalent matrices have the same row space)

If an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  is row equivalent to an  $m \times n$  matrix  $B$ ,  
then the row space of  $A$  is equal to the row space of  $B$ .

- Proof:

■ Ex 2: ( Finding a basis for a row space)

Find a basis of row space of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

**Sol:**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{G.E.}} B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{w}_1 \\ \mathbf{w}_2 \\ \mathbf{w}_3 \\ \\ \end{matrix}$$

$\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \mathbf{a}_3 \quad \mathbf{a}_4 \qquad \qquad \mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \mathbf{b}_3 \quad \mathbf{b}_4$

a basis for  $RS(A) = \{\text{the nonzero row vectors of } B\}$   
 $= \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\} = \{(1, 3, 1, 3), (0, 1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1)\}$

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- Thm 4.14: (Basis for the row space of a matrix)

If a matrix  $A$  is row equivalent to a matrix  $B$  in row-echelon form, then the nonzero row vectors of  $B$  form a basis for the row space of  $A$ .

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- **Ex 3: (Finding a basis for a subspace)**

Find a basis for the subspace of  $R^3$  spanned by

$$S = \{(-1, 2, 5), (3, 0, 3), (5, 1, 8)\}$$

**Sol:**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \\ \mathbf{v}_3 \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{\text{G.E.}} B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{w}_1 \\ \mathbf{w}_2 \\ \mathbf{w}_3 \end{matrix}$$

a basis for  $\text{span}(\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\})$

= a basis for  $RS(A)$

= {the nonzero row vectors of  $B$ } (Thm 4.14)

=  $\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2\}$

=  $\{(1, -2, -5), (0, 1, 3)\}$

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- Ex 4-5: (Finding a basis for the column space of a matrix)

Find a basis for the column space of the matrix  $A$  given in Ex 2.

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

Sol. (Method 1):

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 6 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G.E.} B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & -5 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{w}_1 \\ \mathbf{w}_2 \\ \mathbf{w}_3 \\ \end{matrix}$$



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$$\because CS(A) = RS(A^T)$$

$$\therefore \text{a basis for } CS(A)$$

$$= \text{a basis for } RS(A^T)$$

$$= \{\text{the nonzero vectors of } B\}$$

$$= \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 9 \\ -5 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (\text{a basis for the column space of } A)$$

- **Note:** This basis is not a subset of  $\{\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2, \mathbf{c}_3, \mathbf{c}_4\}$ .

■ **Sol. (Method 2):**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G.E.} B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{c}_1 \quad \mathbf{c}_2 \quad \mathbf{c}_3 \quad \mathbf{c}_4$ 
 $\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \mathbf{v}_3 \quad \mathbf{v}_4$

Leading 1  $\Rightarrow \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_4\}$  is a basis for  $CS(B)$   
 $\{\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2, \mathbf{c}_4\}$  is a basis for  $CS(A)$

■ **Notes:**

- (1) This basis is a subset of  $\{\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2, \mathbf{c}_3, \mathbf{c}_4\}$ .
- (2)  $\mathbf{v}_3 = -2\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2$ , thus  $\mathbf{c}_3 = -2\mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2$ .

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a basis for } RS(A) &= \{\text{the nonzero row} \\ &\text{vectors of } B\} \\ &= \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\} \\ &= \{(1, 3, 1, 3), (0, 1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1)\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{a basis for } CS(A) \\ &= \text{a basis for } RS(A^T) \\ &= \{\text{the nonzero vectors of } B\} \\ &= \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 9 \\ -5 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\dim(RS(A)) = 3 = \dim(CS(A))$$

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- **Thm 4.15: (Row and column space have equal dimensions)**

If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, then the row space and the column space of  $A$  have the same dimension.

$$\dim(RS(A)) = \dim(CS(A))$$

- **Rank(矩陣的秩):**

The dimension of the row (or column) space of a matrix  $A$  is called the **rank** of  $A$  and is denoted by  $\text{rank}(A)$ .

$$\text{rank}(A) = \dim(RS(A)) = \dim(CS(A))$$

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- **Thm 4.16: (Solutions of a homogeneous system)**

If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, then the set of all solutions of the homogeneous system of linear equations  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  is a subspace of  $R^n$  called the nullspace (零空間) of  $A$ .

**Pf:**

$$NS(A) \subseteq R^n$$

$$NS(A) = \{x \in R^n \mid Ax = 0\}$$

$$NS(A) \neq \emptyset \quad (\because A\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0})$$

Let  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \in NS(A)$  (i.e.  $A\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{0}, A\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{0}$ )

$$\text{Then} \quad (1) A(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2) = A\mathbf{x}_1 + A\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{Addition}$$

$$(2) A(c\mathbf{x}_1) = c(A\mathbf{x}_1) = c(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{Scalar multiplication}$$

Thus  $NS(A)$  is a subspace of  $R^n$

- **Notes:** The nullspace of  $A$  is also called the solution space of the homogeneous system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .

■ Ex 7: (Finding the solution space of a homogeneous system)

Find the nullspace of the matrix  $A$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Sol:** The nullspace of  $A$  is the solution space of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G.J.E} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = -2s - 3t, x_2 = s, x_3 = -t, x_4 = t$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2s - 3t \\ s \\ -t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = s\mathbf{v}_1 + t\mathbf{v}_2$$

$$\Rightarrow NS(A) = \{s\mathbf{v}_1 + t\mathbf{v}_2 \mid s, t \in R\}$$

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- Nullity:

The dimension of the nullspace of  $A$  is called the nullity of  $A$ .

$$\text{nullity}(A) = \dim(NS(A))$$

- Note:  $\text{rank}(A^T) = \text{rank}(A)$

Pf:  $\text{rank}(A^T) = \dim(RS(A^T)) = \dim(CS(A)) = \text{rank}(A)$

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- **Thm 4.17: (Dimension of the solution space)**

If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix of rank  $r$ , then the dimension of the solution space of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  is  $n - r$ . That is

$$n = \text{rank}(A) + \text{nullity}(A)$$

- **Notes:**

(1)  $\text{rank}(A)$ : The number of nonzero rows in the row-echelon form of  $A$

(2)  $\text{nullity}(A)$ : The number of free variables in the solution of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .



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■ Notes:

If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $\text{rank}(A) = r$ , then

Fundamental Space	Dimension
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$RS(A) = CS(A^T)$	$r$
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$CS(A) = RS(A^T)$	$r$
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$NS(A)$	$n - r$
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$NS(A^T)$	$m - r$
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■ Ex 8: (Rank and nullity of a matrix)

Let the column vectors of the matrix  $A$  be denoted by  $\mathbf{a}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_3$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_4$ , and  $\mathbf{a}_5$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & 0 & -12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \mathbf{a}_3 \quad \mathbf{a}_4 \quad \mathbf{a}_5$

- (a) Find the rank and nullity of  $A$ .
- (b) Find a subset of the column vectors of  $A$  that forms a basis for the column space of  $A$ .

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**Sol:** Let  $B$  be the reduced row-echelon form of  $A$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & 0 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \mathbf{a}_3 \quad \mathbf{a}_4 \quad \mathbf{a}_5$                        $\mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \mathbf{b}_3 \quad \mathbf{b}_4 \quad \mathbf{b}_5$

(a)  $\text{rank}(A) = 3$       (the number of nonzero rows in  $B$ )

$$\text{nullity}(A) = n - \text{rank}(A) = 5 - 3 = 2$$

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(b) Leading 1

$\Rightarrow \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_4\}$  is a basis for  $CS(B)$

$\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_4\}$  is a basis for  $CS(A)$

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{a}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

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■ **Thm 4.18: (Solutions of a nonhomogeneous linear system)**

If  $\mathbf{x}_p$  is a particular solution of the nonhomogeneous system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , then every solution of this system can be written in the form  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_p + \mathbf{x}_h$ , where  $\mathbf{x}_h$  is a solution of the corresponding homogeneous system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .

**Pf:**

Let  $\mathbf{x}$  be any solution of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .

$$\Rightarrow A(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_p) = A\mathbf{x} - A\mathbf{x}_p = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}.$$

$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_p)$  is a solution of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

Let  $\mathbf{x}_h = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_p$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_p + \mathbf{x}_h$$

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- **Ex 9: (Finding the solution set of a nonhomogeneous system)**

Find the set of all solution vectors of the system of linear equations.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} x_1 & & & - & 2x_3 & + & x_4 & = & 5 \\ 3x_1 & + & x_2 & - & 5x_3 & & & = & 8 \\ x_1 & + & 2x_2 & & & - & 5x_4 & = & -9 \end{array}$$

**Sol:**

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & -5 & 0 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -5 & -9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{G.J.E} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$s$        $t$

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$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2s & - & t & + & 5 \\ -s & + & 3t & - & 7 \\ s & + & 0t & + & 0 \\ 0s & + & t & + & 0 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= s\mathbf{u}_1 + t\mathbf{u}_2 + \mathbf{x}_p$$

i.e.  $\mathbf{x}_p = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is a particular solution vector of  $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$ .

$\mathbf{x}_h = s\mathbf{u}_1 + t\mathbf{u}_2$  is a solution of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

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- **Thm 4.19: (Solution of a system of linear equations)**

The system of linear equations  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is consistent if and only if  $\mathbf{b}$  is in the column space of  $A$ .

**Pf:**

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

be the coefficient matrix, the column matrix of unknowns, and the right-hand side, respectively, of the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .



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Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 A\mathbf{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{mn}x_n \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= x_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} + \cdots + x_n \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is consistent if and only if  $\mathbf{b}$  is a linear combination of the columns of  $A$ . That is, the system is consistent if and only if  $\mathbf{b}$  is in the subspace of  $R^m$  spanned by the columns of  $A$ .

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■ **Note:**

If  $\text{rank}([A|\mathbf{b}]) = \text{rank}(A)$

Then the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is consistent.

■ **Ex 10: (Consistency of a system of linear equations)**

$$x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = -1$$

$$x_1 + x_3 = 3$$

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 1$$

**Sol:**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G.J.E.} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$[A:\mathbf{b}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & \vdots & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 & \vdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G.J.E.} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & \vdots & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \mathbf{c}_1 & \mathbf{c}_2 & \mathbf{c}_3 & & \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{w}_1 & \mathbf{w}_2 & \mathbf{w}_3 & & \mathbf{v} \end{matrix}$$

$$\because \mathbf{v} = 3\mathbf{w}_1 - 4\mathbf{w}_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{b} = 3\mathbf{c}_1 - 4\mathbf{c}_2 + 0\mathbf{c}_3 \quad (\mathbf{b} \text{ is in the column space of } A)$$

$\Rightarrow$  The system of linear equations is consistent.

■ **Check:**

$$\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}([A \mid \mathbf{b}]) = 2$$

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- **Summary of equivalent conditions for square matrices:**

If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $A$  is invertible
- (2)  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a unique solution for any  $n \times 1$  matrix  $\mathbf{b}$ .
- (3)  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  has only the trivial solution
- (4)  $A$  is row-equivalent to  $I_n$
- (5)  $|A| \neq 0$
- (6)  $\text{rank}(A) = n$
- (7) The  $n$  row vectors of  $A$  are linearly independent.
- (8) The  $n$  column vectors of  $A$  are linearly independent.

# Key Learning in Section 4.6

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- Find a basis for the row space, a basis for the column space, and the rank of a matrix.
- Find the nullspace of a matrix.
- Find the solution of a consistent system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  in the form  $\mathbf{x}_p + \mathbf{x}_h$ .

## Keywords in Section 4.6:

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- row space : 列空間
- column space : 行空間
- null space: 零空間
- solution space : 解空間
- rank: 秩
- nullity : 核次數

## 4.7 Coordinates and Change of Basis

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- Coordinate representation relative to a basis

Let  $B = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  be an ordered basis for a vector space  $V$  and let  $\mathbf{x}$  be a vector in  $V$  such that

$$\mathbf{x} = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \mathbf{v}_n.$$

The scalars  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$  are called the **coordinates of  $\mathbf{x}$  relative to the basis  $B$** . The **coordinate matrix** (or **coordinate vector**) of  $\mathbf{x}$  relative to  $B$  is the column matrix in  $R^n$  whose components are the coordinates of  $\mathbf{x}$ .

$$[\mathbf{x}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

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- Ex 1: (Coordinates and components in  $R^n$ )

Find the coordinate matrix of  $\mathbf{x} = (-2, 1, 3)$  in  $R^3$   
relative to the standard basis

$$S = \{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}$$

Sol:

$$\because \mathbf{x} = (-2, 1, 3) = -2(1, 0, 0) + 1(0, 1, 0) + 3(0, 0, 1),$$

$$\therefore [\mathbf{x}]_S = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$



▪ **Ex 3: (Finding a coordinate matrix relative to a nonstandard basis)**

Find the coordinate matrix of  $\mathbf{x} = (1, 2, -1)$  in  $R^3$

relative to the (nonstandard) basis

$$B' = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\} = \{(1, 0, 1), (0, -1, 2), (2, 3, -5)\}$$

**Sol:**  $\mathbf{x} = c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 + c_3\mathbf{u}_3 \Rightarrow (1, 2, -1) = c_1(1, 0, 1) + c_2(0, -1, 2) + c_3(2, 3, -5)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{rclcl} c_1 & + & 2c_3 & = & 1 \\ & -c_2 & + & 3c_3 & = & 2 \\ c_1 & + & 2c_2 & - & 5c_3 & = & -1 \end{array} \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -5 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{G.J.E.}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow [\mathbf{x}]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -8 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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- **Change of basis problem:**

You were given the coordinates of a vector relative to one basis  $B$  and were asked to find the coordinates relative to another basis  $B'$ .

- **Ex: (Change of basis)**

Consider two bases for a vector space  $V$

$$B = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}, B' = \{\mathbf{u}'_1, \mathbf{u}'_2\}$$

$$\text{If } [\mathbf{u}'_1]_B = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, [\mathbf{u}'_2]_B = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \mathbf{u}'_1 = a\mathbf{u}_1 + b\mathbf{u}_2, \quad \mathbf{u}'_2 = c\mathbf{u}_1 + d\mathbf{u}_2$$

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$$\text{Let } \mathbf{v} \in V, [\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \mathbf{v} &= k_1 \mathbf{u}'_1 + k_2 \mathbf{u}'_2 \\ &= k_1 (a\mathbf{u}_1 + b\mathbf{u}_2) + k_2 (c\mathbf{u}_1 + d\mathbf{u}_2) \\ &= (k_1 a + k_2 c)\mathbf{u}_1 + (k_1 b + k_2 d)\mathbf{u}_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow [\mathbf{v}]_B &= \begin{bmatrix} k_1 a + k_2 c \\ k_1 b + k_2 d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} [\mathbf{u}'_1]_B & [\mathbf{u}'_2]_B \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{v}]_{B'} \end{aligned}$$

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- **Transition matrix from  $B'$  to  $B$ :**

Let  $B = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$  and  $B' = \{\mathbf{u}'_1, \mathbf{u}'_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}'_n\}$  be two bases for a vector space  $V$

If  $[\mathbf{v}]_B$  is the coordinate matrix of  $\mathbf{v}$  relative to  $B$

$[\mathbf{v}]_{B'}$  is the coordinate matrix of  $\mathbf{v}$  relative to  $B'$

then  $[\mathbf{v}]_B = P[\mathbf{v}]_{B'}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} [\mathbf{u}'_1]_B & [\mathbf{u}'_2]_B & \dots & [\mathbf{u}'_n]_B \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{v}]_{B'}$$

where

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} [\mathbf{u}'_1]_B & [\mathbf{u}'_2]_B & \dots & [\mathbf{u}'_n]_B \end{bmatrix}$$

is called **the transition matrix from  $B'$  to  $B$**

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- **Thm 4.20: (The inverse of a transition matrix)**

If  $P$  is the transition matrix from a basis  $B'$  to a basis  $B$  in  $R^n$ , then

(1)  $P$  is invertible

(2) The transition matrix from  $B$  to  $B'$  is  $P^{-1}$

- **Notes:**

$$B = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}, \quad B' = \{\mathbf{u}'_1, \mathbf{u}'_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}'_n\}$$

$$[\mathbf{v}]_B = [[\mathbf{u}'_1]_B, [\mathbf{u}'_2]_B, \dots, [\mathbf{u}'_n]_B] \quad [\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = P [\mathbf{v}]_B$$

$$[\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = [[\mathbf{u}_1]_{B'}, [\mathbf{u}_2]_{B'}, \dots, [\mathbf{u}_n]_{B'}] \quad [\mathbf{v}]_B = P^{-1} [\mathbf{v}]_{B'}$$

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- **Thm 4.21: (Transition matrix from  $B$  to  $B'$ )**

Let  $B = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  and  $B' = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$  be two bases for  $R^n$ . Then the transition matrix  $P^{-1}$  from  $B$  to  $B'$  can be found by using Gauss-Jordan elimination on the  $n \times 2n$  matrix  $[B' : B]$  as follows.

$$[B' : B] \xrightarrow{\text{Gauss-Jordan}} [I_n : P^{-1}]$$

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■ **Ex 5: (Finding a transition matrix)**

$B = \{(-3, 2), (4, -2)\}$  and  $B' = \{(-1, 2), (2, -2)\}$  are two bases for  $R^2$

(a) Find the transition matrix from  $B'$  to  $B$ .

(b) Let  $[\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , find  $[\mathbf{v}]_B$

(c) Find the transition matrix from  $B$  to  $B'$ .

**Sol:**

$$(a) \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} -3 & 4 & \vdots & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & \vdots & 2 & -2 \end{array} \right] & \xrightarrow{\text{G.J.E.}} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & \vdots & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & \vdots & 2 & -1 \end{array} \right] \\ B & B' & I & P \end{array}$$

$$\therefore P = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{the transition matrix from } B' \text{ to } B)$$

(b)

Check :

$$[\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow [\mathbf{v}]_B = P[\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{v} = (1)(-1, 2) + (2)(2, -2) = (3, -2)$$

$$[\mathbf{v}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{v} = (-1)(3, -2) + (0)(4, -2) = (3, -2)$$



(c)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} -1 & 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 & -2 \end{array} \right] & \xrightarrow{\text{G.J.E.}} & \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 3 \end{array} \right] \\ B' & B & I \quad P^{-1} \end{array}$$

$$\therefore P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{the transition matrix from } B \text{ to } B')$$

■ Check:

$$PP^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I_2$$

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■ **Ex 6: (Coordinate representation in  $P_3(x)$ )**

- (a) Find the coordinate matrix of  $p = 3x^3 - 2x^2 + 4$  relative to the standard basis  $S = \{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$  in  $P_3(x)$ .
- (b) Find the coordinate matrix of  $p = 3x^3 - 2x^2 + 4$  relative to the basis  $S = \{1, 1+x, 1+x^2, 1+x^3\}$  in  $P_3(x)$ .

**Sol:**

$$(a) \ p = (4)(1) + (0)(x) + (-2)(x^2) + (3)(x^3) \Rightarrow [p]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$(b) \ p = (3)(1) + (0)(1+x) + (-2)(1+x^2) + (3)(1+x^3) \Rightarrow [p]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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■ Ex: (Coordinate representation in  $M_{2 \times 2}$ )

Find the coordinate matrix of  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  relative to the standard basis in  $M_{2 \times 2}$ .

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Sol:

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 6 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 7 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 8 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow [x]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Key Learning in Section 4.7

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- Find a coordinate matrix relative to a basis in  $R^n$
- Find the transition matrix from the basis to the basis  $B'$  in  $R^n$ .
- Represent coordinates in general  $n$ -dimensional spaces.

## Keywords in Section 4.7

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- coordinates of  $\mathbf{x}$  relative to  $B$ :  $\mathbf{x}$ 相對於 $B$ 的座標
- coordinate matrix: 座標矩陣
- coordinate vector: 座標向量
- change of basis problem: 基底變換問題
- transition matrix from  $B'$  to  $B$ : 從  $B'$  到  $B$ 的轉移矩陣