

## Lecture hours 9-11

This Tutorial is a review for the midterm.

### Definitions

**Definition** (Subspace - Span version). A subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that can be described as a span of vectors.

**Definition** (Subspace - Standard version). A subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  subset  $V$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with the following properties:

- (i)  $V$  is a non-empty set.
- (ii) If  $\vec{u}$  is in  $V$ ,  $k\vec{u}$  is also in  $V$  for any scalar  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  (We say  $V$  is closed under scalar multiplication.)
- (iii) If  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are in  $V$ , their sum  $\vec{u} + \vec{v}$  is also in  $V$ . (We say  $V$  is closed under addition.)

**Definition** (Basis). The vectors  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_m$  are a basis of a subspace  $V$  if they span  $V$  and are linearly independent. In other words, a basis of a subspace  $V$  is the minimal set of vectors needed to span all of  $V$ .

**Definition** (Dimension of a subspace). The dimension of the subspace  $V$  is the number of vectors in a basis of  $V$ .

**Definition** (Linear Transformations). We define a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  as a function with two properties:

1.  $T(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = T(\vec{x}) + T(\vec{y})$  for all  $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  (we say  $T$  preserves vector addition)
2.  $T(c\vec{x}) = cT(\vec{x})$  for all  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  (we say  $T$  preserves scalar multiplication)

**Problem 21** (Subspace). Suppose that  $V$  is the set of all solutions of the homogeneous system

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 + 2x_4 - x_5 = 0, \\ x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 + 3x_4 - 2x_5 = 0, \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 - 7x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 0. \end{cases} \quad (5.1)$$

Show that  $V$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

**Problem 22** (Basis of a subspace). Let  $U$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$  defined by  $U = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) \in \mathbb{R}^5 : x_1 = 3x_2, x_3 = 7x_4\}$ . Find a basis for  $U$ .

**Problem 23** (Basis of a subspace). Suppose  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Prove that

$$\{\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_3 + \vec{v}_4, \vec{v}_4\}$$

is also a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

**Problem 24** (Linear Transformations). Find  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by

$$T(x, y, z) = (2x - 4y + 3z + b, 6x + axyz)$$

is a linear transformation.

**Problem 25** (Linear Transformations). Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a linear transformation and let  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . True or false? If false, give a counter-example. If true, explain why.

- a) If the vectors  $T(\vec{v}_1), \dots, T(\vec{v}_k)$  are linear independent, then  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$  are also linear independent.
- b) If the vectors  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$  are linear independent, then  $T(\vec{v}_1), \dots, T(\vec{v}_k)$  are also linear independent.

