

Basis Vectors

$U = \text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n \wedge $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ are linearly independent

$\Rightarrow \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ is a basis of U

$\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ = ordered basis

$V = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$

$|V|$ = Dimension of U

Example 1

$$U = \text{span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$$

U = subspace of \mathbb{R}^3

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

EROs

$$\text{Let } A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & -3 & 0 \\ 7 & -6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}\right\} = \text{basis of } U$$

Dimension of $U = 2$

Example 2

$$\text{X-Y plane} = \text{span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$$

$$X\text{-}Y \text{ plane} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \textbf{Also linearly independent}$$

But the first one is better, saving lots of computation, since there are lots of 0s

In general, if there are more 0s in basis then "simple" basis

$$\textbf{Convert } \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \textbf{ to Simple Basis}$$

Turn column vectors into rows

Apply EROs to RREF

Convert rows back into column vectors

This is your new basis