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LIVE LECTURE 5

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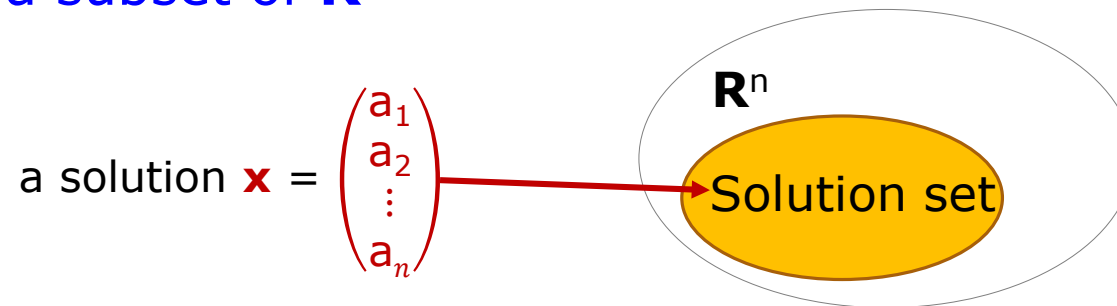
Topics for week 5

3.2 Linear Combinations and Linear Spans

3.3 Subspaces

Let's revise

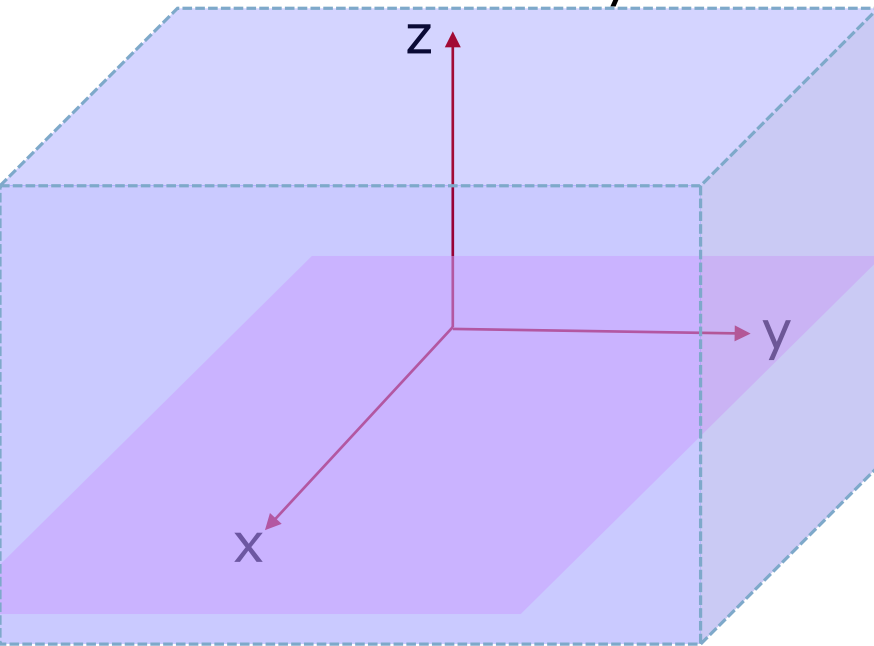
- 2-vectors and 3-vectors can be expressed geometrically as either **points** or **arrows**
- The set of all n -vectors is called **Euclidean n -space \mathbf{R}^n**
- Subsets of \mathbf{R}^n can be expressed as set notation in **implicit** and **explicit** forms
- The **solution set** of a linear system with n variables is a subset of \mathbf{R}^n



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Is \mathbf{R}^2 a subset of \mathbf{R}^3 ? No

Geometrically



Algebraically

$$\mathbf{R}^2 = \{ (x, y) \mid x, y \in \mathbf{R} \}$$

$$\mathbf{R}^3 = \{ (x, y, z) \mid x, y, z \in \mathbf{R} \}$$

These are called
linear combinations of $(2, 1, 0)$ and $(-3, 0, 1)$

What do the following vectors have in common?

$(-1, 1, 1)$, $(7, 2, -1)$ and $(4, 2, 0)$

They are all of the form:

$$s(2, 1, 0) + t(-3, 0, 1)$$

Take $s = 1$, $t = 1$

$$1(2, 1, 0) + 1(-3, 0, 1) = (-1, 1, 1)$$

Take $s = 2$, $t = -1$

$$2(2, 1, 0) + (-1)(-3, 0, 1) = (7, 2, -1)$$

Take $s = 2$, $t = 0$

$$2(2, 1, 0) + 0(-3, 0, 1) = (4, 2, 0)$$

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

Linear Combinations

\mathbf{v} is a linear combination
of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3$

\mathbf{v} is not a linear combination
of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3$

can find $a, b, c \rightarrow$

$$\mathbf{v} = a\mathbf{u}_1 + b\mathbf{u}_2 + c\mathbf{u}_3$$

\leftarrow cannot find a, b, c

linear system has solution

$$\mathbf{v} = (3, 3, 4, 0)$$

$$(3, 3, 4, 0) = a(2, 1, 3, 1) + b(1, -1, 2, 2) + c(3, 0, 5, 1)$$

$$\begin{cases} 2a + b + 3c = 3 \\ a - b = 3 \\ 3a + 2b + 5c = 4 \\ a + 2b + c = 0 \end{cases}$$



$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{G.E.}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

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Linear System (3 forms)

$$(3, 3, 4, 0) = a(2, 1, 3, 1) + b(1, -1, 2, 2) + c(3, 0, 5, 1)$$

$$\begin{cases} 2a + b + 3c = 3 \\ a - b = 3 \\ 3a + 2b + 5c = 4 \\ a + 2b + c = 0 \end{cases}$$

standard form

$$a \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + b \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + c \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

vector equation form

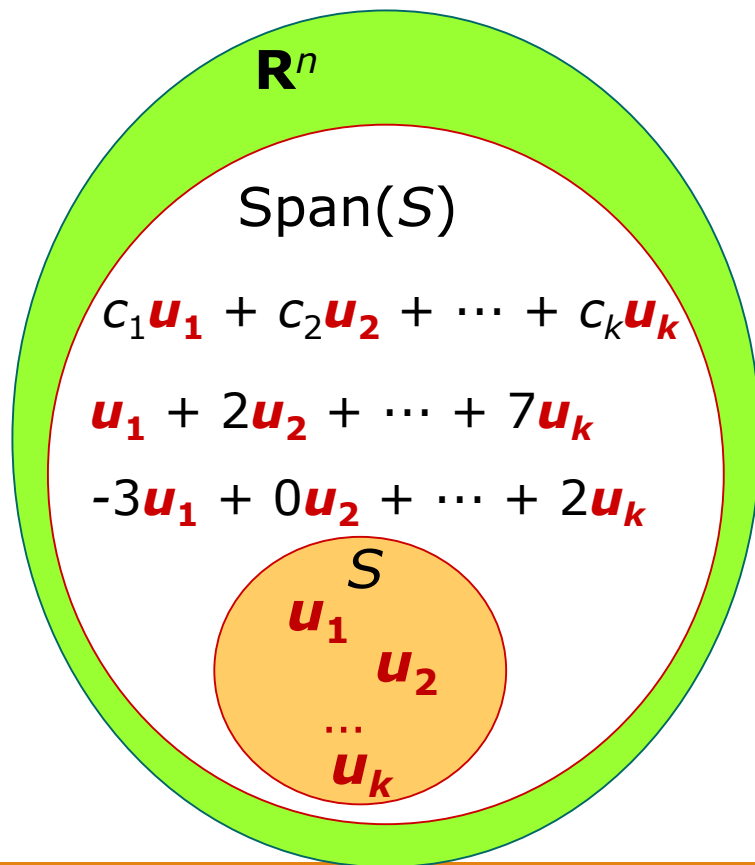
$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

matrix equation form

$\text{span}(S)$ is the set of all linear combination of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$

Linear Span

$S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ a finite collection of vectors in \mathbf{R}^n



$$\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k \in \mathbf{R}^n$$

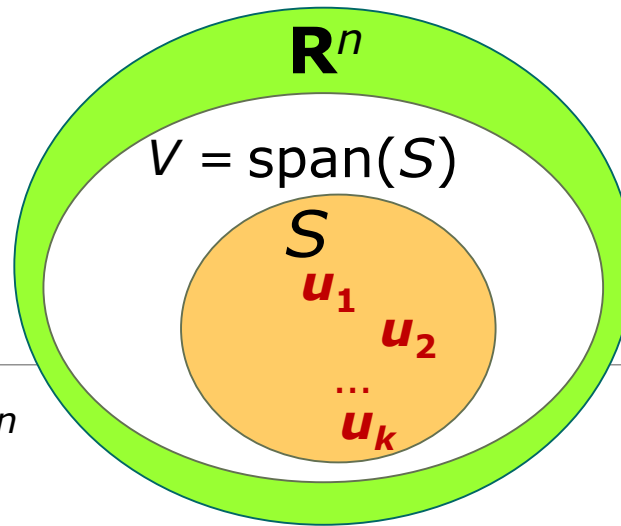
$$S \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$$

$$\text{span}(S) \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$$

$$S \subseteq \text{span}(S)$$

$\text{span}(S)$ can be equal to \mathbf{R}^n but not always.

The word “Span”



$$S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\} \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$$

$$\text{Let } V = \text{span}(S) = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$$

We say:

noun

passive
verb

active
verb

- V is a linear span of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$
- V is a linear span of S
- V is spanned by $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$
- V is spanned by S
- $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$ spans V
- S spans V

Who's in the Span?

standard basis vectors for \mathbf{R}^2

Which of the following vectors belong to $\text{span}\{ (1,0), (0,1) \}$?

- $(0,0)$
- $(1,0)$
- $(1,1)$
- $(1,0,0,1)$
- $(10.9, 2020)$

Check whether each vector is a linear combination of $(1,0), (0,1)$.

Are there vectors that do not belong to $\text{span}\{ (1,0), (0,1) \}$?

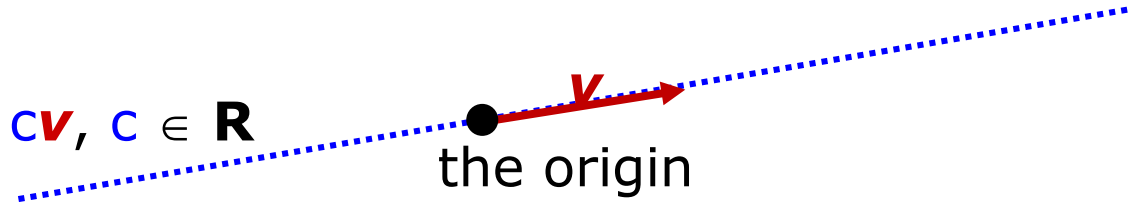
Geometrical meaning of Span

- $\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}\}$ $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$

- all scalar multiples $c\mathbf{v}$, $c \in \mathbf{R}$

In \mathbf{R}^2 and \mathbf{R}^3

- A line that passes through the origin and parallel to \mathbf{v}

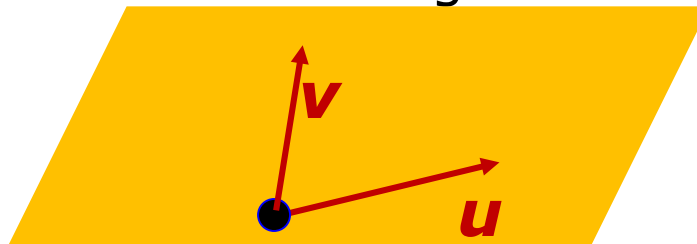


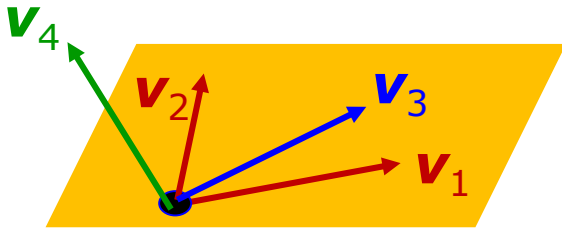
- $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$ $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$, not parallel to each other

- all linear combinations $c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v}$, $c, d \in \mathbf{R}$

In \mathbf{R}^2 and \mathbf{R}^3

- A plane that contains the origin and the vectors \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}





Geometrical meaning of Span

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = (2, 1, 3), \mathbf{v}_2 = (1, -1, 2), \mathbf{v}_3 = (3, 0, 5), \mathbf{v}_4 = (1, 2, 4)$$

$\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1\}$ represents a **line**

$\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ represents a **plane**

$\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ represents the same **plane**

$\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4\}$ represents the **entire \mathbf{R}^3**

Set relations between spans

- Show $\text{span}(S) \subseteq \text{span}(T)$
- Show $\text{span}(S) = \text{span}(T)$
- Show $\text{span}(S) \neq \text{span}(T)$

Show $\text{span}(S) \subseteq \text{span}(T)$

$S = \{\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, \dots, \mathbf{s}_n\}$ $T = \{\mathbf{t}_1, \mathbf{t}_2, \dots, \mathbf{t}_m\}$ column form

Every vector of S is a linear combination of vectors in T

$(\mathbf{t}_1 \mathbf{t}_2 \dots \mathbf{t}_m \mid \mathbf{s}_1 \mid \mathbf{s}_2 \mid \dots \mid \mathbf{s}_n)$

Check that this multiple-augmented matrix is consistent

REF has **no pivot columns** among the augmented columns

Show $\text{span}(S) = \text{span}(T)$

$S = \{\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, \dots, \mathbf{s}_n\}$ $T = \{\mathbf{t}_1, \mathbf{t}_2, \dots, \mathbf{t}_m\}$ column form

Check $\text{span}(S) \subseteq \text{span}(T)$ AND $\text{span}(T) \subseteq \text{span}(S)$

Every vector of S is a linear combination of vectors in T

$(\mathbf{t}_1 \mathbf{t}_2 \dots \mathbf{t}_m \mid \mathbf{s}_1 \mid \mathbf{s}_2 \mid \dots \mid \mathbf{s}_n)$

And every vector of T is a linear combination of vectors in S

$(\mathbf{s}_1 \mathbf{s}_2 \dots \mathbf{s}_n \mid \mathbf{t}_1 \mid \mathbf{t}_2 \mid \dots \mid \mathbf{t}_m)$

Check that both multiple-augmented matrices are consistent

Show $\text{span}(S) \neq \text{span}(T)$

$S = \{\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, \dots, \mathbf{s}_n\}$ $T = \{\mathbf{t}_1, \mathbf{t}_2, \dots, \mathbf{t}_m\}$ column form

Check $\text{span}(S) \not\subseteq \text{span}(T)$ OR $\text{span}(T) \not\subseteq \text{span}(S)$

Some vector of S is not a linear combination of vectors in T

$(\mathbf{t}_1 \mathbf{t}_2 \dots \mathbf{t}_m \mid \mathbf{s}_1 \mid \mathbf{s}_2 \mid \dots \mid \mathbf{s}_n)$

Or some vector of T is not a linear combination of vectors in S

$(\mathbf{s}_1 \mathbf{s}_2 \dots \mathbf{s}_n \mid \mathbf{t}_1 \mid \mathbf{t}_2 \mid \dots \mid \mathbf{t}_m)$

Check that at least one of the multiple-augmented matrices is inconsistent

Show $\text{span}(S) = \mathbf{R}^n$

$S = \{\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, \dots, \mathbf{s}_k\}$ column form

Check $\text{span}(S) \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ AND $\mathbf{R}^n \subseteq \text{span}(S)$

- $\text{span}(S) \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ is automatic (nothing to check)
- To check $\mathbf{R}^n \subseteq \text{span}(S)$
 - Take a general vector $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$
 - Check $(\mathbf{s}_1 \mathbf{s}_2 \dots \mathbf{s}_k | \mathbf{x})$ is consistent

It is enough to check:
REF of $(\mathbf{s}_1 \mathbf{s}_2 \dots \mathbf{s}_k)$ has no zero row

$$S = \{\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, \dots, \mathbf{s}_k\} \quad \mathbf{s}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{12} \\ \vdots \\ a_{1n} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{s}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{21} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{2n} \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \mathbf{s}_k = \begin{pmatrix} a_{k1} \\ a_{k2} \\ \vdots \\ a_{kn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Show $\text{span}(S) = \mathbf{R}^n$

Consider the linear system general vector $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} a_{11} & a_{21} & \dots & a_{k1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{k2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \dots & a_{kn} \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{c} x \\ y \\ \vdots \\ z \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{G.E.}} \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} * & * & \dots & * & * \\ 0 & * & \dots & * & * \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & * & * \end{array} \right) \text{REF}$$

A **R**

R has no zero row
 \Rightarrow system is always consistent
 $\Rightarrow \text{span}\{\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, \dots, \mathbf{s}_k\} = \mathbf{R}^n$

R has a zero row
 \Rightarrow system may be inconsistent
 $\Rightarrow \text{span}\{\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, \dots, \mathbf{s}_k\} \neq \mathbf{R}^n$

If $k < n$, then $\text{span}\{\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, \dots, \mathbf{s}_k\} \neq \mathbf{R}^n$

If $k \geq n$, $\text{span}\{\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, \dots, \mathbf{s}_k\}$ may or may not be equal to \mathbf{R}^n

Exercise 3 Q13

Suppose $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}\} = \mathbf{R}^3$.

Determine which sets below span \mathbf{R}^3 as well.

$$S_1 = \{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$$

$$S_2 = \{\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{u}\}$$

$$S_4 = \{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}\}$$

$S_1 = \{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$ has only two vectors, and cannot span \mathbf{R}^3 .

In fact $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$ represents a plane in the 3D space.

$S_2 = \{\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{u}\}$ cannot span \mathbf{R}^3 .

$$\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{u} = -(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) - (\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}) \in \text{span}\{\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}\}$$

The 3 vectors are on the same plane, so $\text{span}(S_2)$ represents a plane.

Exercise 3 Q13

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$$\mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) - \mathbf{u}$$

$$\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) - (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})$$

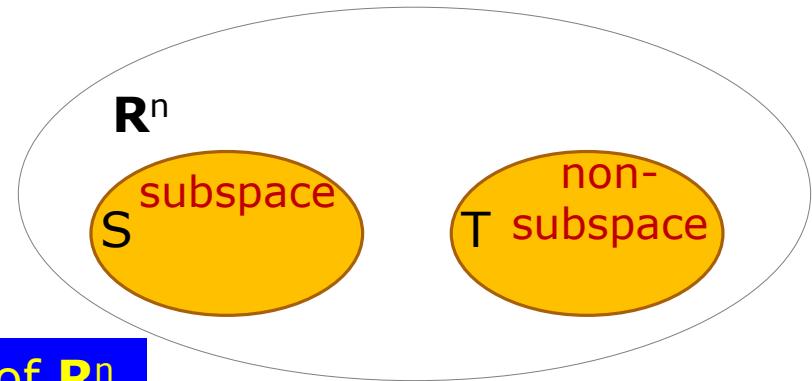
$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \text{span}(S_4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}\} \subseteq \text{span}(S_4) \quad \text{So } \text{span}(S_4) = \mathbf{R}^3.$$

Subspaces

S is a subset of \mathbf{R}^n

T is a subset of \mathbf{R}^n



Two types of subsets of \mathbf{R}^n

Subspaces

- Can be written as linear span
 $S = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$
- Satisfy closure properties

Non-subspaces

- Cannot be written as linear span
 $T \neq \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$
- Violate closure properties

Subspaces of \mathbf{R}^3

\mathbf{R}^3

Subspaces

- $\text{span}\{\mathbf{0}\}$
just one point (origin)
- $\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1\}$
a line that passes through origin
- $\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$
a plane that contains the origin
- $\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$
the entire 3D space

Non-subspaces

- A point that is not the origin
- Line or plane that **does not contain the origin**
- A (space) curve or a bended surface (e.g. paraboloid)
- A rectangular block
- etc

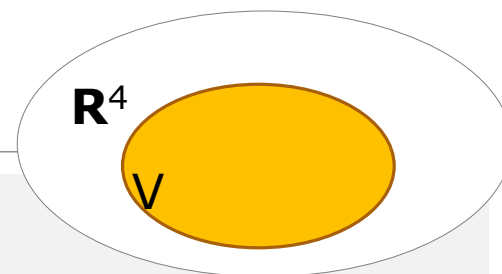
Subspaces (Example 1)

$$V = \{ (a, b, a+b, 0) \mid a, b \in \mathbf{R} \}$$

Is V a subspace of \mathbf{R}^4 ? Can we write $V = \text{span}\{ \mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots \}$?

general vector: $(a, b, a+b, 0) = a(1, 0, 1, 0) + b(0, 1, 1, 0)$

So $V = \text{span}\{ (1, 0, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1, 0) \} \Rightarrow V$ is a subspace



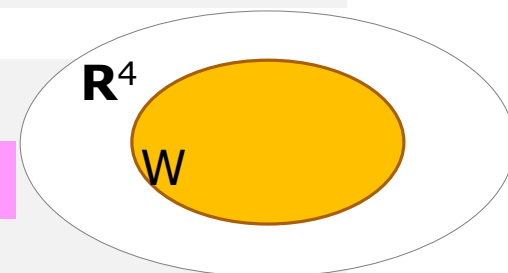
$$W = \{ (a, b, a+b, 1) \mid a, b \in \mathbf{R} \}$$

Is W a subspace of \mathbf{R}^4 ? $\Rightarrow W$ is not a subspace

$$(1, 1, 2, 1) \in W, \quad (1, 0, 1, 1) \in W$$

$$\text{but } (1, 1, 2, 1) + (1, 0, 1, 1) = (2, 1, 3, 2) \notin W$$

closure property under addition
not satisfied



Testing Subspace

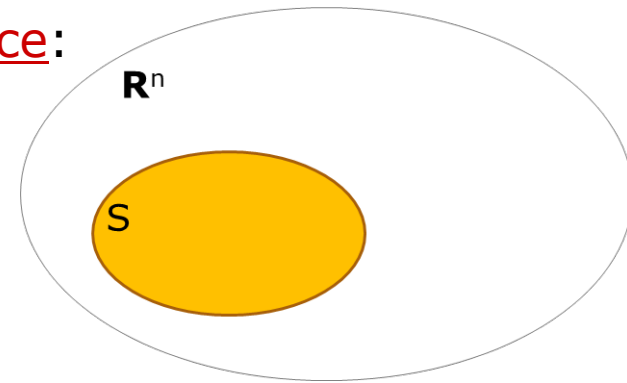
To test whether a subset S of \mathbf{R}^n is a **subspace**:

If S can be expressed as a **linear span**

➤ then S is a **subspace**

If one of the conditions below occurs:

- the **zero vector** is not in S
 - you can find $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in S$ but $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \notin S$ give examples of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v}
 - you can find $\mathbf{v} \in S$ and a scalar c such that $c\mathbf{v} \notin S$ give examples of \mathbf{v} and c
- then S is not a **subspace**



S is not a subspace:

- if the zero vector is not in S
- if there are $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in S$ but $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \notin S$
- if there is a $\mathbf{v} \in S$ and a scalar c such that $c\mathbf{v} \notin S$

Subspaces (Example 2)

Which of the following subsets of \mathbf{R}^2 are subspaces of \mathbf{R}^2 ?

The set of all vectors that are scalar multiples of $(2,3)$ $c(2,3)$

$\text{span}\{(2,3)\}$ \rightarrow it is a subspace

The set of all vectors of the form $(a, a^2 + 1)$ for any a .

does not contain zero vector $(0,0)$ \rightarrow it is not a subspace

The set of all vectors that has either 0 in the first or second component

$(0,1)$ and $(1,0)$ both belong to the set, \rightarrow it is not a subspace
but $(0,1) + (1,0) = (1,1)$ does not.

The set of all vectors where both components are non-negative

$(1,1)$ belongs to the set, \rightarrow it is not a subspace
but $(-1)(1,1) = (-1,-1)$ does not.

Solution set of linear system

$Ax = b$ linear system with n variables

system is homogeneous

$$Ax = 0$$

Solution
space

solution set is
a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n

If u, v are solutions of $Ax = 0$,

- $u + v$ also a solution
- cu also a solution

system is non-homogeneous

$$Ax = b$$

solution set is
not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n

If u, v are solutions of $Ax = b$,

- $u + v$ not a solution
- cu not a solution

Exercise 3 Q22

Let \mathbf{A} be a fixed $n \times n$ matrix.

Show that $\{ \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{R}^n \mid \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} \}$ is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^n .

$$\{ \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{R}^n \mid \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} \} = \{ \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{R}^n \mid (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0} \}$$

Implicit set notation with underlying condition: $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0} \Leftrightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I})\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$$

subspace of \mathbf{R}^n

Solution set of the
homogeneous system
 $(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I})\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

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Announcement

- ❖ **Practice Session**
 - Practice 2 this week
- ❖ **Online quiz 5**
 - Due this Sunday
- ❖ **Homework 1**
 - will be published this Friday
 - Deadline: 2 October (week 7)
- ❖ **MATLAB**
 - Worksheet 2 next week