

## Linear Independence

$V$   $K$ -vector space

$v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \in V$

are linearly independent if

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n \in K \\ \lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_n v_n = 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_n = 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  no vector can be a comb. of the others.

### Shortcut

If  $V = K^m$ :

the number of lin. indep. vectors in  $(v_1, \dots, v_n) =$

$$= \text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} = \text{rank} (v_1^t | v_2^t | \dots | v_n^t)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

ex)  $v_1 = (1, 2, 3, 4) \mid v_2 = (5, 6, 7, 8)$   
 $v_3 = (9, 10, 11, 12)$

$v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  are linearly independent iff

$$\text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_m \end{pmatrix} = m$$

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$$6.1) \quad v_1 = (1, -1, 0)$$

$$v_2 = (2, 1, 1)$$

$$v_3 = (1, 5, 2)$$

$$\in \mathbb{R}^3$$

a) Show that  $v_1, v_2, v_3$  are linearly dependent and find the dependence relationship.

b) Show that  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are linearly independent.

$$a) \quad \lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2 + \lambda_3 v_3 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\lambda_1, -\lambda_1, 0) + (2\lambda_2, \lambda_2, \lambda_2) + (\lambda_3, 5\lambda_3, 2\lambda_3) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 + \lambda_3, -\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + 5\lambda_3, \lambda_2 + 2\lambda_3) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ -x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 = 0 \\ x_2 + 2x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2 + 0 - 1 - 0 - 5 + 4 = 0$$

$$dp = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 + 2 = 3 \neq 0$$

$$d_c = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$x_3 = \beta \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 = -\beta \\ -x_1 + x_2 = -5\beta \end{cases}$$

$$x_2 = -2\beta$$

$$x_1 = 3\beta$$

$$S = \{ 3\beta, -2\beta, \beta \} \Rightarrow 1 \text{ sol.}$$

$\Rightarrow v_1, v_2, v_3$  linearly dependent

$$b=1 \Rightarrow 3v_1 - 2v_2 + v_3 = 0$$

$$b) v_1 = (1, -1, 0)$$

$$v_2 = (2, 1, 1)$$

$$\text{independent} \Leftrightarrow \lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2 = 0$$

$$(\lambda_1, -\lambda_1, 0) + (2\lambda_2, \lambda_2, \lambda_2) = 0$$

$$(\lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2, -\lambda_1 + \lambda_2, \lambda_2) = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 = 0 \\ -\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 0 \\ 0 + \lambda_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow v_1, v_2$  are linearly independent

$$6.3) \quad v_1 = (1, a, 0)$$

$$v_2 = (a, 1, 1)$$

$$v_3 = (1, 0, a)$$

$$v_1, v_2, v_3 \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

$a \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $v_1, v_2, v_3$  are linearly independent  $\Leftrightarrow$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} = 3 \Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & 0 \\ a & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & a \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^{3+1} \cdot 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} a & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + (-1)^{3+2} \cdot 0 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ a & 1 \end{vmatrix} +$$

$$+ (-1)^{3+3} \cdot a \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a \\ a & 1 \end{vmatrix} = a + a(1-a^2) =$$

$$= 2a - a^3 = a(2-a^2) \neq 0 \Rightarrow a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-\sqrt{2}, 0, \sqrt{2}\}$$

for  $a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-\sqrt{2}, 0, \sqrt{2}\}$ ,  $v_1, v_2, v_3$  are linearly independent

$V$   $K$ -vector space

$B = (v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n) \rightarrow$  ORDER MATTERS

$B$  is a basis  $\Leftrightarrow$  i)  $V = \langle v_1, \dots, v_n \rangle$

( $B$  is a list of generators)

ii)  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  linearly independent

Short version:  $\forall v \in V \exists! \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in K$  s.t.

$$v = \lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2 + \dots + \lambda_n v_n$$

if so, we will denote by  $[v]_B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$

!  $\rightarrow$  was at the midterm / exam.

6.8)  $\mathbb{R}_2[x] = \{ f \in \mathbb{R}[x] \mid \deg f \leq 2 \}$

Show that the lists:  $E = (1, x, x^2)$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{basis} \\ \text{of} \\ \text{vectors!} \end{array} \right.$   
 $B = (1, x-a, (x-a)^2)$

are bases of  $\mathbb{R}_2[x]$  and determine for any

$$f = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 \in \mathbb{R}_2[x]$$

$[f]_E, [f]_B = ?$  (coordinates)

$$f \in \mathbb{R}_2[x]$$

$$\Rightarrow f = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2, \quad a_0, a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Let } \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \in \mathbb{R} \text{ n.t. } f = \alpha_1 \cdot 1 + \alpha_2 \cdot x + \alpha_3 \cdot x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 x + \alpha_3 x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (a_0 - \alpha_1) + x(a_1 - \alpha_2) + x^2(a_2 - \alpha_3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_0 - \alpha_1 = 0 \\ a_1 - \alpha_2 = 0 \\ a_2 - \alpha_3 = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha_1 = a_0 \\ \alpha_2 = a_1 \\ \alpha_3 = a_2 \end{cases}$$

unique solution  $\Rightarrow E$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}_2[x]$

$$[f]_E = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b = (1, (x-a), (x-a)^2)$$

$$f \in \mathbb{R}_2[x] \Rightarrow f = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2$$

$$\text{Let } \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \in \mathbb{R} \text{ n.t.}$$

$$f = L_1 \cdot 1 + L_2(x-a) + L_3(x-a)^2$$

$$a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 = L_1 + L_2(x-a) + L_3(x-a)^2$$

$$a_0 - L_1 + aL_2 - a^2L_3 + x(a_1 - L_2 + 2aL_3) + x^2(a_2 - L_3) = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} a_0 - L_1 + aL_2 - a^2L_3 = 0 \\ a_1 - L_2 + 2aL_3 = 0 \\ a_2 - L_3 = 0 \Rightarrow L_3 = a_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} L_3 = a_2 \\ a_0 - L_1 + aL_2 - a^2 \cdot a_2 = 0 \\ a_1 - L_2 + 2aa_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} L_3 = a_2 \\ L_2 = a_1 + 2aa_2 \\ a_0 - L_1 + aa_1 - a^2a_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow L_1 = a_0 + aa_1 + a^2a_2$$

$\Rightarrow$  unique sol.

$\rightarrow B$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}_2[x]$



$$[f]_B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \\ \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 + \lambda a_1 + \lambda^2 a_2 \\ a_1 + \lambda a_2 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$6.7) A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Prove that the list  $B = (A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4)$  is a basis of  $M_2(\mathbb{R})$

Determine  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_B$  (the coordinates of the matrix)

Let  $f = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4 \in \mathbb{R}$

so that  $f = \lambda_1 \cdot A_1 + \lambda_2 \cdot A_2 + \lambda_3 \cdot A_3 + \lambda_4 \cdot A_4$

$$f = \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} L_1 & 0 \\ 0 & L_1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} L_2 & L_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} L_3 & L_3 \\ L_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} L_4 & L_4 \\ L_4 & L_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} L_1 + L_2 + L_3 + L_4 & L_2 + L_3 + L_4 \\ L_3 + L_4 & L_1 + L_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} a = L_1 + L_2 + L_3 + L_4 \\ b = L_2 + L_3 + L_4 \\ c = L_3 + L_4 \\ d = L_1 + L_4 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} L_1 = a - b \\ L_2 = b - c \\ L_3 = c - L_4 \\ L_4 = d - a + b \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} L_1 = a - b \\ L_2 = b - c \\ L_3 = c - d + a - b \\ L_4 = d - a + b \end{cases}$$

is unique therefore  $B$  is a basis

$$\left[ \begin{pmatrix} L & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 2-1 \\ 1-1 \\ 1-0+2-1 \\ 0-2+1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$