# MAT 1341

# Introduction to Linear Algebra

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# Chapter 2: Complex Numbers 2.1 defining the complex numbers

The equation  $x^2 + 1 = 0$  has no solutions in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  (\*)

Then  $i^2 = -1$ , hence  $i^2 + 1 = 0$ .

Hence i is a solution to  $(\star)$ .

Example: consider  $x^2 + 2x + 2 = 0$ 

By the quadratic formula, the solutions are:

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4-8}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 2\sqrt{-1}}{2} = -1 \pm i$$

Check:

$$(-1+i)^2 = (-1+i)(-1+i) = 1-2i-1 = -2i$$

Hence:

$$(-1+i)^2 + 2(-1+i) + 2 = -2i - 2 + 2i + 2 = 0$$

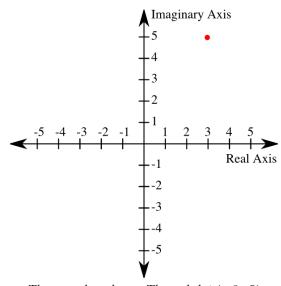
#### Definition

The set of complex numbers is  $\mathbb{C} = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ When we write z = a + bi, where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ :

- a is called the real part, and is denoted by Re(z), and
- bi is called the imaginary part, and is denoted by Im(z).

When a = 0, z is called purely imaginary.

When  $b = 0, z \in \mathbb{R}$ .



The complex plane. The red dot is 3+5i.

#### Properties of complex numbers

If  $z, w, y \in \mathbb{C}$ :

- $\bullet \ z + w = w + z$
- zw = wz
- $1 \times z = z$
- $0 \times z = 0$
- y(z+w) = yz + yw
- y(zw) = (yz)w

Given any quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c$  where  $\{a \neq 0 \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , the solutions are found using  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ . If  $b^2 - 4ac \geq 0$ , the solutions  $\in \mathbb{R}$ . If  $b^2 - 4ac < 0$ , the solutions are complex.

### 2.2 Algebra of the complex numbers

For  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ :

- $a + bi = c = di \Leftrightarrow a = c \text{ and } b = d$
- (a+bi) + (c+di) = (a+c) + (b+d)i
- (a+bi)(c+di) = ac-bd

#### Definition

The **complex conjugate** of z = a + bi is  $\overline{z} = a - bi$ .

Example

$$\overline{1+2i} = 1 - 2i$$

$$z\overline{z} = \overline{z}z$$

$$= (a+bi)(a-bi)$$

$$= a^2 + b^2$$

z is a nonnegative, real number.

The absolute value of z is  $|z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{z\overline{z}}$ 

- $z = 0 \Leftrightarrow a b = 0 \Leftrightarrow |z| = 0$

#### Example

$$\frac{1}{1+i} = \frac{1}{1-i} \times \frac{1-i}{1-i}$$

$$= \frac{1-i}{1^2+1^2}$$

$$= \frac{1-i}{2} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i$$

#### Example

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2+i}{1-3i} = \frac{2+i}{1-3i} \times \frac{1+3i}{1+3i} \\ & = \frac{(2-3)+(6+1)i}{1^2+3^2} \\ & = \frac{-1}{10} + \frac{7}{10}i \end{aligned}$$

#### 2.3 Geometry of the complex numbers

Numbers on the complex plane may be treated as vectors when performing addition, with the real and complex parts corresponding to coordinates.

- Multiplication by a real corresponds to scaling
- $|z| = \text{length of a vector, e.g. } |2 + i| = \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{5}$

#### 2.4 Polar form of complex numbers

$$z = a + bi$$

$$r = |z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{a}{r}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{b}{r}$$
Polar form of z:
$$z = a + bi = (r \cos \theta) + (r \sin \theta)i$$

$$= r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$$

Note that  $\theta = \arg(z) \to \text{argument of } z \text{ is not uniquely determined since } \theta + 2n\pi \text{ also works for any } n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We usually pick  $-\pi < \theta \le \pi$  and write  $\theta = \arg(z)$ , principal argument of z.

#### Recall

$$e^{z} = i + z + \frac{z}{2} + \frac{z}{4} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{n}}{n!}$$

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$$
So we can write
$$z = re^{i\theta}$$

#### **Properties**

$$re^{i\theta}=se^{i\phi}\Leftrightarrow r=s$$
 and  $\theta=\phi+2n$  for some integer  $n$ . 
$$\overline{re^{i\theta}}=re^{-i\theta}$$
 
$$|e^{i\theta}|=1 \text{ for any } \theta$$

#### 2.5 Multiplying complex numbers in polar form

If 
$$z = re^{i\theta}$$
,  $w = se^{i\phi}$   
 $zw = r(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta) \times s(\cos\phi + i\sin\phi)$   
 $= rs[(\cos\theta\cos\phi - \sin\theta\sin\phi) + (\sin\theta\cos\phi + \cos\theta\sin\phi)i]$   
 $= rs[\cos(\theta + \phi) + i\sin(\theta + \phi)]$   
 $= rse^{i(\theta + \phi)}$ 

$$\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Example} \\ 1+i = \sqrt{2}e^{-i\frac{\pi}{4}} \\ \text{hence} \\ \frac{1}{1+i} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}e^{-i\frac{\pi}{4}} \end{array}$$

### 2.6 Fundamental theorem of algebra

Every polynomial with coefficients in the complex numbers can be factored completely into linear factors of the for zx + w, with  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ .

### Example

$$x^2 + 1 = (x+i)(x-i)$$

Every degree n polynomial with coefficients in the complex plane has n solutions (counting multiplicities).

# Chapter 3: Vector geometry

#### 3.1

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Algebra} \longleftrightarrow \text{Geometry} \\ \mathbb{R} & \text{line} \\ \mathbb{R}^2 & \text{plane} \\ \mathbb{R}^3 & \text{3-plane} \\ \mathbb{R}^n & \text{n-space} \end{array}$ 

#### Notations:

Rotations. 
$$\vec{x} = (1, 2, 3)$$
 
$$\vec{x} = \underline{i}, 2\underline{j}, 3\underline{k}$$
 
$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\3 \end{bmatrix} = [1, 2, 3]$$
 
$$\mathbb{R}^n = \{(x_1, ...x_n \mid x_1, ..., x_n \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

#### 3.2 Properties

• 
$$(x_1, ..., x_n) = (y_1, ..., y_n) \Leftrightarrow x_1 = y_1, x_n = y_n$$

• 
$$(x_1, ..., x_n) + (y_1, ..., y_n) = (x_1 + y_1, ..., x_n + y_n)$$

$$\bullet \ \vec{0} = (0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

• if 
$$\vec{x} = (x_1, ..., x_n)$$
, then  $-\vec{x} = (-x_1, ..., -x_n)$  and  $\vec{x} + (-\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$ 

• if 
$$r \in \mathbb{R}$$
,  $\vec{x} = (x_1, ..., x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $r \cdot \vec{x} = (rx, rx_2, ..., rx_n)$ 

ullet 2 vectors are equal  $\iff$  they have the same magnitude and same direction

- Head-to-tail rule
- $\vec{0}$  is te only vector with 0 magnitude.
- negative=reverse direction
- 2 vectors are parallel  $\iff$  they are multiples of eachother

#### 3.3 Definition:

If 
$$r_1, ..., r_n \in \mathbb{R}$$
,

$$\vec{x_1}, \dots, \vec{x_n} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

then  $\vec{y} = r_1 \vec{x_1} + ... + r_n \vec{x_n}$  is a linear combination of  $\vec{x_1}, ..., \vec{x_n}$ 

We are looking for two scalars,  $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ , such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = r_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + r_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases}
3 = r_1 + r_2 \\
3 = 2r_1 + \frac{1}{2}r_2 \\
4 = 3r_1
\end{cases}$$

But 
$$3 \neq 2(\frac{4}{3}) + \frac{1}{5}(\frac{5}{3})$$

#### 3.4 More properties

 $r, s \in \mathbb{R}, \vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 

• 
$$(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w} = \vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w})$$

• 
$$\vec{u} + \vec{0} = \vec{u}$$

• 
$$\vec{u} + (-\vec{u}) = \vec{0}$$

• 
$$r(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = r\vec{u} + r\vec{v}$$

• 
$$(r+s)\vec{u} = r\vec{u} + s\vec{u}$$

• 
$$(rs)\vec{u} = r(s\vec{u})$$

• 
$$1 \cdot \vec{u} = \vec{u}$$

#### 3.5 Definition

The dot product of  $\vec{x} = (x_1, ..., x_n)$  and  $\vec{y} = (y_1, ..., y_n)$  is

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n$$

And the norm of 
$$\vec{x}$$
 is  $||\vec{x}|| = \sqrt{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{x}}$ 

$$= \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2} \text{ Note that } ||\vec{x}|| = 0 \iff \vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

#### 3.6 Definition

if 
$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

then  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$  are said to be *orthogonal* (perpendicular), and  $\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = 0$ 

#### 3.7: The Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality

let  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 

then 
$$|\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}| \le ||\vec{u}|| \ ||\vec{v}||$$

$$||\vec{u} + \vec{v}||^2 = (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \cdot (\vec{u} + \vec{v})$$

$$= ||\vec{u}||^2 + 2\vec{u}\vec{v} + ||\vec{v}||^2$$

$$<||\vec{\eta}||^2 + 2|\vec{\eta}\vec{v}| + ||\vec{v}||^2$$

$$\leq ||\vec{u}||^2 + 2|\vec{u}\vec{v}| + ||\vec{v}||^2 \leq ||\vec{u}||^2 + 2||\vec{u}|| ||\vec{v}|| + ||\vec{v}||^2$$

$$=(||\vec{u}||+||\vec{v}||)^2$$

This implies  $||\vec{u} + \vec{v}|| \le ||\vec{u}|| + ||\vec{v}||$ , triangle inequality.

#### **Definition**

let  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$ 

the angle between  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is defined by:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{||\vec{u}|| \ ||\vec{v}||}$$

With  $0 \le \theta \le \pi$ 

$$\cos\theta = (\frac{\vec{u}}{||\vec{u}||}) \cdot (\frac{\vec{v}}{||\vec{v}||})$$

#### Example

Compute the angle between

$$\vec{v} = (0, 2, 1, \sqrt{3}) \text{ and } \vec{v} = (\sqrt{3}, 1, 2, 0)$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{0 + 2 + 2 + 0}{\sqrt{4 + 1 + 3} + \sqrt{3 + 1 + 4}} = \frac{4}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

**Remark:**  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are orthogonal:

$$\begin{aligned} &\iff \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \\ &\iff \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{||\vec{u}|| \; ||\vec{v}||} = 0 \\ &\iff \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

 $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are parallel:

$$\iff \theta = 0 \text{ or } \pi$$

$$\iff \cos \theta = 1 \text{ or } -1$$

$$\iff \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = ||\vec{u}|| \ ||\vec{v}|| \text{ or } -||\vec{u}|| \ ||\vec{v}||$$

i.e. 
$$|\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}| = ||\vec{u}|| ||\vec{v}||$$

This means that  $|\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}|$  attains its maximum value given by Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality.

#### Definition

let  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$ 

The the projection of  $\vec{u}$  onto  $\vec{v}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{proj}_{\vec{v}}(\vec{u}) &= \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{||\vec{v}||^2} \vec{v} \\ &= (\vec{u} \frac{\vec{v}}{||\vec{v}||}) \frac{\vec{v}}{||\vec{v}||} \end{aligned}$$

$$= (\vec{u}\frac{\vec{v}}{||\vec{v}||})\frac{\vec{v}}{||\vec{v}||}$$

#### **Properties**

- $\operatorname{proj}_{\vec{v}}(\vec{u})$  is parallel to  $\vec{v}$
- $\vec{u}$ -proj $_{\vec{v}}(\vec{u})$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{v}$
- $\vec{u} = (\vec{u} \operatorname{proj}_{\vec{v}}(\vec{u})) + \operatorname{proj}_{\vec{v}}(\vec{u})$

#### Example

$$\vec{v} = (1, 0, 0), \ \vec{v} = (2, 4, 6)$$

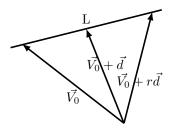
Then 
$$\operatorname{proj}_{\vec{u}}(\vec{v}) = \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}}{||\vec{u}||^2} \vec{v}$$

$$= \frac{2}{1^2}(1,0,0) = (2,0,0)$$

$$\vec{w} = (5, 0, 0)$$

$$\text{proj}_{\vec{w}}(\vec{v}) = (2, 0, 0)$$

# Chapter 4: Lines and planes



Equation of a line: y = mx + c

$$L = \{\vec{V_0} + r\vec{d} \mid r \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

i.e. Any point on L can be written as  $\vec{V_0} + r\vec{d}$ .

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Let  $x = r \leftarrow$  parameter  $y = 2r + 1$  Then:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r \\ 2r + 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_{\vec{V_0}} + r \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}_{\vec{d}}$   
Vector form or parametric form.

Ex: Use different letters to represent parameters.

Find the point of intersection of

$$L_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + r \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \mid \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

and

$$L_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix} \mid \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Use t for the parameter of  $L_2$ , and we solve:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + r \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + r \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} 0 + r = 1 + 0 \Rightarrow r = 1 \\ 1 + 2r = 1 + r \Rightarrow t = 2 \end{cases}$$

So the point of intersection is

 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ 

#### 4.2

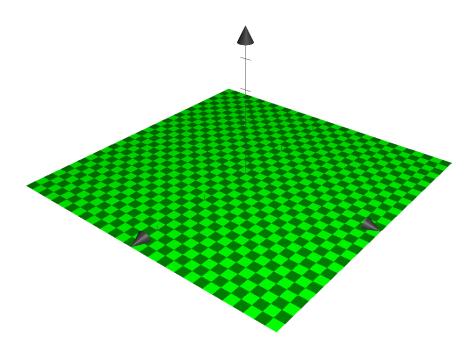
In  $\mathbb{R}$ : there is only one line.

In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ : 2 distinct lines, either parallel or intersecting.

In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ : 2 distinct lines, either parallel, intersecting, or skew (neither parallel nor intersecting). In the first two cases, there is a unique plane containing both lines.

If they are skew, there is no plane containing both, but there are two parallel planes, each containing one line.

4.3



$$W = \{ \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid (\vec{v} - \vec{v_0}) \cdot \vec{n} = 0 \}$$

For example, the plane with  $\vec{n}=(1,2,3)$  and containing the point (0,1,1) is:

$$\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid [(x, y, z) - (0, 1, 1)] \cdot (1, 2, 3) = 0\}$$
$$(x, y - 1, z - 1) \cdot (1, 2, 3) = 0$$
$$x + 2y - 2 + 3z - 3 = 0$$
$$x + 2y + 3z = 5$$

Ex: find the distance from the point (3,3,3) to the plane x + 2y + 3z = 5

$$\begin{split} D &= || \mathrm{proj}_{(1,2,3)}((3,3,3) - (0,1,1))|| \\ &= || \mathrm{proj}_{(1,2,3)}(3,2,2)|| \\ &= || \frac{3+4+6}{1+4+9}(1,2,3)|| = \frac{13}{14} \sqrt{14} = \frac{13}{\sqrt{14}} \end{split}$$

#### 4.4

Def: The angle between 2 planes in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is the angle between their normal vectors. In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , there is only one plane.

In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , there may be 2 distinct planes, either are parallel, or intersect.

... But what about  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ?

$\mathbf{n}$	equations in $\mathbb{R}^n$	geometric object	dimension
1	ax = b	point	0
2	ax + by = c	line	1
3	ax + by + cz = d	plane	2
4	ax + by + cz + dw = e	?	3

Idea: One equation in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  will cut down the dimension by 1. The resulting  $\mathbb{R}^n$  object is called a hyperplane.

#### 4.5

If 
$$\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$\vec{y} = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$$

Then the cross product of  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$  is:

$$\vec{x} \times \vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} i & j & k \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \end{bmatrix} = (x_2y_3 - y_2x_3)i - (x_1y_3 - y_1x_3)j + (x_1y_2 + y_1x_2)k$$

Ex: 
$$(0,1,2) \times (-3,4,1)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} i & j & k \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = (-7, -6, 3)$$

#### **Properties**

- $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = -\vec{v} \times \vec{u}$
- $(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{u} = 0$
- $(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{v} = 0$
- $(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \times \vec{w} = \vec{u} \times \vec{w} + \vec{v} \times \vec{w}$
- $||\vec{u} \times \vec{v}|| = ||\vec{u}|| ||\vec{v}|| \sin \theta$ , where  $0 \le \theta \le \pi$  is the angle between  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ .

#### Remark:

- $||\vec{u} \times \vec{v}||$  = area of the parallelogram with sides  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$
- Area of the triangle with sides  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is  $\frac{1}{2} ||\vec{u} \times \vec{v}||$
- In general,  $\vec{u} \times (\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) \neq (\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \times \vec{w}$
- Suppose  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \neq 0$ . Then  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  parallel  $\iff \vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \vec{0}$
- Direction of  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$  is given by right hand rule.

4.6 Ex: find an equation of the plane:

- Containing the y-axis
- Perpendicular to the plane 4x y + 3z = 5

Normal vector of the given plane is perpendicular to (0,1,0) and (4,-1,3).

$$(0,1,0) \times (4,-1,3) = \begin{bmatrix} i & j & k \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = (3,0,-4)$$

Volume of the parallelepiped in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with sides  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$ 

$$|(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{w}| = |(\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) \cdot \vec{u}|$$

Area of the base parallelogram=  $||\vec{u} \times \vec{v}||$ 

Height=  $||\vec{w}||\cos\theta$ 

Ex: find the volume of the parallelepiped with sides:

$$\vec{u} = (2, 0, 3)$$

$$\vec{v} = (1, 1, -6)$$

$$\vec{w} = -1, 2, 1)$$

Volume =

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & -6 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2(1+12) + 0 + 3(3) = 35$$

## Chapter 5: Vector spaces

### 5.2 Definition

A vector space is:

- a set V (set of vectors) without a geometric representation (generally), with two operations:
  - addition of vectors
  - scalar multiplication

satisfying the following 10 axioms:

- 1. If  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v} \in V$ , then  $u + v \in V$
- 2. If  $\vec{u} \in V$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $\vec{r}\vec{u} \in V$
- 3. There exists a vector, denoted  $\vec{0}$ , such that  $\vec{0} + \vec{u} = \vec{u} \ \forall \ u \in V$
- 4. Given  $\vec{u} \in V$ , there exists a vector denoted  $-\vec{u}$ , such that  $\vec{u} + (-\vec{u}) = \vec{0}$
- 5.  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$
- 6.  $\vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w}$
- 7.  $\vec{r}(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = \vec{r}\vec{u} + \vec{r}\vec{v}$
- 8.  $(\vec{r} + \vec{s})\vec{u} = \vec{r}\vec{u} + \vec{s}\vec{u}$
- 9.  $(\vec{r}\vec{s})\vec{u} = \vec{r}(\vec{s}\vec{u})$
- 10.  $1 \times \vec{u} = \vec{u}$

Remark: 
$$0 \times \vec{u} = \vec{0}$$
  
 $(-1)\vec{u} = -\vec{u}$ 

### 5.3 Example

- 1.  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with usual addition and scalar multiplication are vector spaces for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$
- 2. Spaces of linear equations

V = set of all linear equations in x, y, z

(a)

if 
$$u = (ax + by + cz = d)$$
  

$$v = (a'x + b'y + c'z = d')$$

Then u + v = [(a + a')x + (b + b')y + (c + c')z = d + d']

(b) If  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , ru = (rax + rby + rcz = rd)

e.g. 
$$u = (-2x + y + 3z = 1)$$
  
 $v = (x - y + z = 0)$   
Then  $u + 2v = (-y + 5z = 1)$ 

3. Spaces of functions

 $V = \text{set of all functions } f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ 

(a) If  $f, g \in V$ , then  $f + g : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is a function defined by  $(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) \ \forall \ x \in \mathbb{R}$  (b) If  $f \in V$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $rf : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is a function defined by  $(rf)(x) = r(f(x)) \ \forall \ \mathbb{R}$ Verification of axioms:

- (1), (2) ✓
- (3) the zero vector is the function  $h: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $h(x) = 0 \ \forall \ \mathbb{R}$
- (4) Given  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ , -f is the function defined by (-f)(x) = -(f(x))
- (5)-(10) ✓
- 4.  $V = \{0\}$ 
  - (a)  $\vec{0} + \vec{0} = \vec{0}$
  - (b)  $\vec{r}\vec{0} = \vec{0} \ \forall \ \vec{r} \in \mathbb{R}$

is a vector space, called the zero vector space. It corresponds to one-dimensional space.

- 5.  $V = \{(x, 2x) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , With usual addition and scalar multiplication as in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  Verification of axioms:
  - (1) If  $u = (a, 2a), v = (b, 2b) \in V$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  then u + v = (a + b, 2a + 2b)
  - (2) If  $u = (a, 2a) \in V, r \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$ru = (ra, r2a)$$
$$= (ra, 2(ra)) \in V$$

- (3) 0 = (0,0) = V
- (4) If u = (a, 2a), then  $-u = (-a, -2a) \in V$
- 6.  $V = \{(x, x+a) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$  with usual addition and scalar multiplication in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . y = x+1 is **NOT** a vector space
  - (a) If  $u = (a, a+1) \in V$   $v = (b, b+1) \in V$ then  $u + v(a+b, a+b+z) \notin v$
  - (b) If  $u = (a, a+1), r \in \mathbb{R}$ then  $ru = (ra, ra+r) \notin V \ \forall \ r \neq 1$
  - (c)  $(0,0) \notin V$

#### Definition

An  $m \times n$  matrix is a table of numbers with m rows and n columns.

e.g. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a  $2 \times 3$  matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is called a  $3 \times 1$  column matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a } 1 \times 4 \text{ row matrix}$$

2 matrices of the same size can be added componentwise:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 6 & 8 & 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 10 & 13 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrices can also be multiplies by a scalar componentwise:

$$-4 \times \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -8 & 0 \\ -20 & -24 \\ -28 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Examples

1.  $V = M_2 2(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} | a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  with the above addition and scalar multiplication is a vector space.

Verification of the axioms:

- (1), (2) ✓
- $\bullet \ (3) \ 0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in V$
- (4) √
- (5) If  $u = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v = \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{bmatrix}$ then  $u + v = \begin{bmatrix} a + e & c + f \\ c + g & d + h \end{bmatrix}$
- (6)-(10) ✓
- 2.  $M_{mn}(\mathbb{R})$  is a vector space for all  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ Remark: In a vector space,  $0u = \vec{0}$ 1u = 0u = (1+0)u = 1u = u $\Rightarrow u + 0u + (-u) = u + (-u)$  $\Rightarrow 0u = \vec{0}$

 $\mathbb{R}^3$  has 3 dimensions.

Every vector space has a basis, and the number of vectors in a basis is the dimension.

# Chapter 6: Subspaces and spanning sets

#### 6.1 Definition

A subset W of a vector space V is called a subspace if it is a vector space itself, under the same addition and scalar multiplication of V.

Examples:

1. 
$$W = \{(x, 2x) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$$
 is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ 

**Theorem:** If V is a vector space,  $W \subseteq V$  subset then W is a subspace:

$$\iff \begin{cases} O \in W \\ \text{If } u, v \in W, \text{ then } u + v \in W \\ \text{If } u \in W, \ r \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ then } ru \in W \end{cases}$$

axioms of subspaces

6.2

Examples:

- 1. W is the plane x + 2y + 3z = 0 in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ Verification:
  - (a)  $\vec{0} = (0, 0, 0) \in W$
  - (b) If  $\vec{u} = (a, b, c)$ ,  $\vec{v} = (a', b', c') \in W$  a + 2b + 3c = 0, a' + 2b' + 3c' = 0 $u + v = (a + a', b + b', c + c') \in W$

$$(a + a') + 2(b + b') + 3(c + c')$$

$$= (1 + 2b + 3c) + (a' + 2b' + 3c')$$

$$= 0 + 0$$

$$= \vec{0}$$

(c) If  $u = (a, b, c) \in W$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $ru = (ra, rb, rc) \in W$ 

$$ra + 2(rb) + 3(rc)$$

$$= r(a + 2b + 3c)$$

$$= r \cdot 0$$

$$= \vec{0}$$

- 2. Any plane passing through the origin in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a subspace. Any plane *not* passing through the origin is *not* a subspace.
- 3.  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $v \neq 0$   $L = \{tv \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is a line in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  passing through the origin, with direction vector v. Verification:
  - (a)  $\vec{0} = 0 \cdot v \in L$
  - (b) If u = tv,  $w = sv \in L$  $u + v = tv + sv = (t + s)v \in L$

- (c) If  $u = t\vec{v} \in L$ ,  $r \in R$   $ru = r(t\vec{v}) = (rt)\vec{v} \in L$ So L is a subspace.
- 4.  $W = \{(x, y) \mid x, y \ge 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$

Is this a subspace? **NO**, as multiplying a vector in the space by certain scalars will produce a vector not in the subspace.

- 5. Any line passing through the origin is a subspace in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Any line *not* passing through the origin is *not* a subspace in  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- 6. V= set of all functions  $f:\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}$  W= the set of all polynomial functions  $p:\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}$  i.e.  $p(x)=a_0+a_1x+...+a_nx^n, \ n$  a non-negative integer,  $a_0..a_n\in\mathbb{R}$  Verification:
  - (a) (1) The zero vector of V is the function  $f(x) = 0 \, \forall \, x \in \mathbb{R}$ . It is in W because f(x) is the polynomial function with n = 0 and a = 0.
  - (b) (2), (3)
- 7.  $V = \text{set of all functions } f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$

W = set of all continuous functions

- : Multiplication of any continuous function by a scalar returns a continuous function
- $\therefore W$  is a subset of V.
- 8. V is the set of all functions  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  W is the set of all functions f(x) such that  $f(x) \in [-1, 1] \ \forall \ x$  Is W a subspace of V?
  - (a) (1) ✓
  - (b) (2)  $f(x) = \cos(x)$   $g(x) = \cos(x)$  $(f+g)(x) = 2\cos(x) \neq W$

Matrices

**Def:** The transpose of an  $m \times n$  matrix A, denoted  $A^T$ , is an  $n \times m$  matrix whose columns are rows of A, e.g.:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

An  $n \times n$  matrix (square matrix) is called *symmetric* if  $A = A^T$ , e.g.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  is symmetric.

1.  $V = M_{22}(\mathbb{R})$  $W = \text{set of all } 2 \times 2 \text{ symmetric matrices}$ 

$$\begin{split} &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \ | \ a,b,c,d \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} \ | \ a,b,d \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \end{split}$$

Verification:

(a) (1) 
$$0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in W$$

(b) (2) If 
$$u = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $v = \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{bmatrix}$ ,

$$u + v = \begin{bmatrix} a + e & b + f \\ b + g & d + h \end{bmatrix} \in W$$

(c) (3) If 
$$u = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} \in W, r \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$ru = \begin{bmatrix} ra & rb \\ rb & rd \end{bmatrix} \in W$$

Let V be an arbitrary vector space. V always has the following subspaces:

- 1. V is its own subspace
- 2. {0}, the zero subspace (or zero vector space)

# Chapter 7: The span of vectors in a vector space Definition

V is a vector space.

- 1. If  $v_1, ..., v_n \in V$  and  $a_1, ..., a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $u = a_1v_1 + ... + a_nv_n$  is called a linear combination of  $v_1, ..., v_n$ .
- 2. The set of all linear combinations of  $v_1, ..., v_n$  is called the span if  $v_1, ..., v_n$ .  $span\{v_1, ..., v_n\} = \{a_1v_1 + ... + a_nv_n \mid a_1, ..., a_n \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- 3. A vector (sub)space W is spanned by  $v_1, ..., v_n \in W$  if  $W = \text{span}\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$   $(v_1, v_n \text{ spans } W)$

 $S = \text{set of all } 2 \times 2 \text{ symmetric matrices}$ 

$$\begin{split} &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{span}\{a, b, d\} \end{split}$$

A spanning set is not unique.

 $\operatorname{span}\{0\} = \{0\}$ 

#### Examples

- 1.  $L = \{t\vec{v} \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is a line = span  $\vec{v}$
- 2.  $\mathbb{R}^2 = \text{span}\{(1,0),(0,1)\}$  because any  $(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}$  can be written as x(1,0) + y(0,1).

Similarly,  $\mathbb{R}^3 = \text{span}\{(1,0,0), (0,1,0), (0,0,1)\}$ 

#### Examples

1. 
$$W = \text{xy-plane in } \mathbb{R}^3 = \{(x, y, o) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$$
  
= span $\{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0)\}$ 

#### 7.4

#### Theorem:

Let V be a vector space such that  $\{v_1, ..., v_n\} \subseteq V \ (\iff v_1, ..., v_n \in V)$ 

- 1.  $U = \text{span}\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$  is a subspace of V
- 2. If W is another subspace of V such that  $v_1, ..., v_n \in W$ , then  $U \subseteq W$ Therefore U is the smallest subspace containing  $v_1, ..., v_n$

Subset axioms:

- 1.  $\vec{0} \in U$
- 2. If  $u, v \in U$ , then  $u + v \in U$
- 3. If  $u \in U$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $ru \in U$

#### Proof of (1):

- $\vec{0} = 0v_1 + ... + 0v_n \in \text{span}\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$
- If  $u, v \in U$ , then  $u = a_1v_1 + ... + a_nv_n$ and  $w = b_1v_1 + ... + b_nv_n$ For some  $a_1, ..., a_n, b_1, ..., b_n \in \mathbb{R}$  $u + w = (a_1 + b_1)v_1 + ... + (a_n + b_n)v_n \in U$
- If  $u \in U$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ then  $u = a_1v_1 + ... + a_nv_n$  $ru = (ra_1)v_1 + ... + (ra_n)v_n \in U$

7.5

#### **Definition:**

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{1...} & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{...1} & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

The trace of A, denoted Tr(A) is defined as  $Tr(A) = a_{11} + a_{22} + ... + a_{nn}$ .

#### Example:

$$Tr\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3\\ 4 & 5 & 6\\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 1 + 5 + 9 = 15$$

#### Example:

$$\begin{split} U &= \{A \in M_{22}(\mathbb{R}) \mid \operatorname{Tr}(A) = 0\} \\ &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mid a + d = 0 \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & -a \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \end{split}$$

#### Example:

W= set of all  $2\times 2$  diagonal matrices

$$\begin{split} &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix} \mid a, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is a subspace of } M_{22}(\mathbb{R}) \end{split}$$

7.6  $\mathbb{R}$  has only 2 subspaces:  $\{0\}$  and  $\mathbb{R}$ . Proof: If  $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is a subspace and  $W \neq \{0\}$ , then there is a nonzero vector  $\vec{v} \in W$ 

$$\mathbb{R} = \operatorname{span}\{w\} \subseteq W$$
$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{R} = W$$

The only subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are:

- 1. {0}
- 2. Lines through the origin
- $3. \mathbb{R}^2$

**Proof**: If  $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  is a subspace and

 $W \neq \{0\}, W \neq \text{lines through the origin.}$ 

The we have to show that  $W = \mathbb{R}^2$ .

First,  $W \neq \{0\}$ . There exists a nonzero vector  $v \in W \Rightarrow \operatorname{span}\{v\} \subseteq W$ 

Since  $W \neq \text{lines through the origin, there exists } u \in W \text{ such that } u \notin \text{span}\{v\}$ , i.e. u is not a multiple of v.  $u, v \in W \Rightarrow \text{span}\{u, v\} \subseteq W$ 

Note that span $\{u,v\} = \mathbb{R}^2$  because any vector  $\mathbb{R}^2$  can be written as a linear combination of u and v.

For any  $w \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $w = \operatorname{proj}_v(w) + (w - \operatorname{proj}_v(w))$ 

 $W = \operatorname{proj}_{v}(w) + (w - \operatorname{proj}_{v}(w))$ 

- $= av + b(u \operatorname{proj}_v(u))$
- = av + bu b(cv)
- $=(a-bc)v+bu\in \operatorname{span}\{u,v\}$  The only subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are
- 1. { 0 }
- 2. Lines through the origin
- 3. Planes through the origin
- $4. \mathbb{R}^3$

#### 7.7

#### Examples:

- 1.  $\operatorname{span}\{(1,2,1),(0,1,2)\} = \operatorname{span}\{(1,3,3),(1,1,-1)\}$ Taking the cross products of each pair of vectors in these spans and showing that the resulting vectors are parallel is a proof.
- 2.  $\operatorname{span}\{(1,2,1),(0,1,2)\} = u$  and  $\operatorname{span}\{(1,3,3),(1,1,-1)\} = v$   $(1,3,3) = (1,2,1) + (0,1,2) \in \operatorname{span}\{(1,2,1),(0,1,2)\} = u$

# Chapter 8: Linear dependence and independence 8.2

2 vectors  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  are collinear if there are non-zero  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a\vec{u} + b\vec{v} = 0$ . e.g. (1, 2, 0), (2, 4, 0) are collinear and span  $\{(1, 2, 0), (2, 4, 0)\} = \text{span}\{(1, 2, 0)\}$ 

#### 8.3

3 vectors  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  are coplanar if there exists  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  not all zero, such that  $a\vec{u} + b\vec{v} + c\vec{w} = 0$ . e.g. (1,0,0), (0,1,0), (3,2,0) are coplanar because 3(1,0,0) + 2(0,1,0) + (-1)(3,2,0) = 0 span $\{(1,0,0), (0,1,0), (3,2,0)\} = \text{span}\{(1,0,0), (0,1,0)\}$ 

#### 8.4

#### **Definition:**

- V is a vector space.  $v_1,...,v_n \in V$   $\{v_1,...,v_n\}$  is linearly dependent  $\iff$  there exists  $a_1,...,a_n \in \mathbb{R}$  not all zero such that  $a_1v_1+...+a_nv_n=0$
- $\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$  is linearly independent  $\iff$   $\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$  is not linearly dependent  $\iff$  the only solution to the equation  $a_1v_1 + ... + a_nv_n = 0$  is the trivial solution  $a_1 = a_2 = ... = a_n = 0$ .

#### 8.7

#### **Examples:**

- $\{(1,0),(0,1)\}\subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ is LI.}$ Solve  $a(1,0)+b(1,0)=(0,0)\iff \begin{cases} a\cdot 1+b\cdot 0=0\\ a\cdot 0+b\cdot 1=0 \end{cases}$ So a=b=0
- $\{(2,2),(3,-1)\}\subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ is LI.}$ Solve  $a(2,2)+b(3,-1)=(0,0)\iff \begin{cases} 2a+3b=0\\ 2a-b=0 \end{cases}$  $4b=0\Rightarrow b=0$
- $\{(2,2),(3,2),(-1,-1)\}\subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  is LD because 1(2,2)+0(3,2)+2(-1,-1)=(0,0).
- $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \subseteq M_{22}(\mathbb{R})$ Solve:  $a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 
  - a = 0, b = 0, c = 0, d = 0.
- Is  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \subseteq M_{22}(\mathbb{R})$  linearly dependent or linearly independent? Solution: It is linearly dependent.

$$1\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - 1\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{4}\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 0\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\Rightarrow a = 0$ 

$$a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} a+b=0 \\ b+4c=0 \\ b+4c=0 \end{cases}$$

$$d=0$$

$$a+b=0 \quad a=-b$$

$$b+4c=0 \quad c=\frac{-b}{4}$$

- $V = F(\mathbb{R}) = \{f\mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}\}$  $\{1, x, x^2\}$  is LI. Solve  $a \cdot 1 + bx + cx^2 = 0$ , where 0 is the zero function. This is an equation of functions.
- $\{1, \sin^2(x), \cos^2(x)\}$  is linearly dependent because  $1 \sin^2(x) \cos^2(x) = 0$ .
- $\{1, \sin(x), \cos(x)\}\$  is linearly independent. Solve  $a + b\sin(x) + c\cos(x) = 0$ .

#### 8.8

### Properties

- {0} is linearly dependent.
- $v \in V$ , then  $\{v\}$  is LI  $\iff v \neq 0$
- $\{v_1,...,v_n\}$  is LD  $\iff$  there are some  $v_i$  such that  $v_i$  is in the span of the rest, i.e.  $v_i \in \text{span}\{v_1,...,v_n\}$ .
- If a set S is LD, then any set containing S is LD.
- Conversely, if a set S is linearly independent, then any subset of S is still linearly independent.
- any set containing 0 is linearly dependent.
- $\{u, v\}$  is LD  $\iff$  one vector is a multiple of the other.

# Chapter 9: Linear independence and spanning sets 9.2 Theorem:

If  $v_1 \in \text{span}\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$ , then  $\text{span}\{v_1, ..., v_n\} = \text{span}\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$ 

Therefore if  $\{v_1,...,v_n\}$  is LD, then span $\{v_1,...,v_n\}$  =span $\{v_1,...,v_{i-1}...v_n\}$  for some i. Recall:

 $\{v_1,...,v_n\}$  is LD  $\iff$  there exists a space  $v_i$  such that  $v_i \in \text{span}\{v_i,v_{i-1},...,v_n\}$ . In this case,  $\text{span}\{v_1,...,v_n\} = \text{span}\{v_i,v_{i-1},...,v_n\}$ .

#### Examples

- 1.  $\operatorname{span}\{(1,0,0),(0,1,0),(3,-2,0)\} = \operatorname{span}\{(1,0,0),(0,1,0)\}$
- 2.  $\operatorname{span}\{(1,0,0),(0,1,1),(0,4,4)\} = \operatorname{span}\{(1,0,0),(0,1,1)\} \neq \operatorname{span}\{(0,1,1),(0,4,4)\}$

#### 9.3

Suppose  $\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$  is LI,  $w \in V$ .

Then  $\{w, v_1, ..., v_n\}$  is LI  $\iff w \notin \text{span}\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$  **Example:** 

$$\begin{aligned} &1. \ \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is L} \\ &\text{and } \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \notin \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &\text{then } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is LI.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \operatorname{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ & \operatorname{Then} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is LD.} \end{aligned}$$

### Chapter 10: Basis and dimension

#### 10.1 Theorem:

If a vector space V can be spanned by n vectors, then any LI subset of V has at most n vectors. Equivalently, if V has a LI subset of m vectors, then any spanning set of V has at least m vectors.

size of any spanning set of  $V \ge$ size of any LI subset of V

#### Examples

- 1.  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{H}} = \operatorname{span}\{(1,0,0),(0,1,0),(0,0,1)\}$  can be spanned by 3 vectors. Any subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  containing 4 or more vectors is LD.
- 2.  $M_{22}(\mathbb{R})$  can be spanned by 4 vectors. Any subset of  $M_{22}(\mathbb{R})$  containing 5 or more vectors is LD.

#### **10.2 Definition** $\{v_1, ..., v_n\} \subseteq V$ is called a basis of V if

- 1.  $\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$  is LI
- 2. span $\{v_1, ..., v_n\} = V$
- A basis is a largest possible LI subset of a set V, i.e. if you add any vector to the set, it will become LD.
- A basis is a smallest possible spanning set of V. If you remove any vector from the set, then it will not span V.

#### **Examples:**

- 1.  $\{(1,0),(0,1)\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (the standard basis).
- 2.  $\{(1,1),(1,-1)\}$  is also a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
- 3.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is the standard basis of  $M_{22}(\mathbb{R})$ .
- 4.  $\mathbb{P}_2$  = vector space of polynomials of a degree  $\leq 2$  is a closed subspace under addition (as adding any polynomials can only reduce the degree), multiplication, and the zero vector test.  $\{1, x, x^2\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{P}_2$ .

Any polynomial of deg < 2 is of the form  $a + bx + cx^2$ . Examples

- (a)  $\{(1,0,0),(0,1,1)\}\in\mathbb{R}^3$  is NOT a basis as span $\{(1,0,0),(0,1,1)\}\neq\mathbb{R}^3$ .
- $\begin{array}{l} \text{(b)} \ \ V = \{a \in M_{22}(\mathbb{R}) \mid \operatorname{Tr}(A) = 0\} \\ \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is NOT a basis of } V \text{ because it is LD.} \\ \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is a basis of } V. \end{array}$

#### Theorem

If  $\{v_1,...,v_n\}$  and  $\{w_1,...,w_m\}$  are 2 bases for V, then n=m.

#### Proof

 $\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$  spans V and  $\{w_1, ..., w_m\}$  is LI.

 $\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$  is LI and  $\{w_1, ..., w_m\}$  spans V.

 $n \leq m$  The only case in which both  $n \geq m$  and  $n \leq m$  are true is if n = m. QED.

#### 10.3 Definition

If V has a finite basis  $(\{v_1, ..., v_n\})$  then we say that the dimension  $\dim(V) = n$ . In this case, V is called a finite dimensional space.

If V does not have a finite basis, then V is an infinite dimensional space.

#### **Examples:**

- $\dim(\mathbb{R}^2) = 2$
- $\dim(\mathbb{R}^n) = n$
- $\dim(M_{22}(\mathbb{R})) = 4$
- $\dim(M_{22}(\mathbb{R})) = mn$ Standard basis:  $\{E_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  $E_{ij}$  is the matrix with (i,j) - entry is 1, other entries are 0.
- $\dim(\mathbb{P}_2) = 3$  because a basis is  $\{1, x, x^2\}$
- $\dim(\mathbb{P}_n) = n+1$
- $\dim(F(\mathbb{R})) = \infty$
- $\dim(V) = 3$  where  $V = \{A \in M_{22}(\mathbb{R}) \mid \text{Tr}(A) = 0\}$
- $W = \text{vector space of all } 2 \times 2 \text{ diagonal matrices. } \dim(W) = 2.$
- W = the plane with equation  $x + 3y + 5z = 0 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ .  $\dim(W) = 2$ . A basis of W is  $\{(3, -1, 0), (5, 0, -1)\}$ Solve a(3, -1, 0) + b(5, 0, 1) = (0, 0, 0)Then a = b = 0 $\dim\{0\} = 0$ . A basis for the zero vector space is  $\varnothing$

$$V = M_{22}(\mathbb{R})$$

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

This set does not contain  $\vec{0}$ . It is therefore not a subspace.

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

This set contains  $\vec{0}$ .

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mid ab = cd \right\}$$

This set is not closed under addition, and is not a subspace.

## Chapter 11: Dimension theorems

#### 11.1

V vector space with  $\dim(V) = n < \infty$ 

- If  $\{v_1,...,v_m\}\subseteq V$  is LI,  $m\leq n$  and there exists  $v_{m+1},...,v_n\in V$  such that  $\{v_1,...,v_m,...,v_n\}$  is a basis of V.
- If  $\{w_1,...,w_r\}$  is a spanning set of  $V, r \geq n$  and there is a subset of S that is a basis of V
  - Size of LI subset  $\leq$  size of spanning set

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V = \mathbb{R}^3 {(1, 2, 0), (1, -1, 0)}
Because the 2 vector (1, 2, 0), (1, 1, 0)
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Because the 2 vectors are not multiples of each other, this set is LI. This is a shortcut for sets of 2 vectors.

 $\{(1,2,0),(1,-1,0),(0,0,1)\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ 

It is LI because  $(0,0,1) \notin \text{span}\{(1,2,0),(1,-1,0)\}$ 

 $\{(1,0,0),(0,1,0),(0,1,1),(0,2,3)\}$  is LD.

We see that (0,2,3) = -(0,1,0) + 3(0,1,1)

so  $\{(1,0,0),(0,1,0),(0,1,1)\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

#### Theorem

V vector space with  $\dim(V) = n < \infty$ 

Then:

- 1. Any LI subset of n vectors is a basis of V
- 2. Any spanning set of n vectors is also a basis

#### Axioms:

- 1. LI
- 2. Spanning
- 3. Consisting of n vectors

Only need to check any 2 of these conditions to see whether a subset is a basis.

#### Examples

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1. W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid 3x - y + 5z = 0\}

\dim(W) = 2

(1, 3, 0), (5, 0, -3) \in W

\{(1, 3, 0), (5, 0, -3)\} is LI

\Rightarrow \{(1, 3, 0), (5, 0, -3)\} is a basis of W (spanning is mathematically satisfied)
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2. Expand  $\{(1,3,0),(5,0,-3)\}$  to a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .  $\{(1,3,0),(5,0,3),(3,-1,5)\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . (3,-1,5) is a normal vector of W. In particular,  $(3,-1,5) \notin W$ .  $\Rightarrow \{(1,3,0),(5,0,-5),(3,1,5)\}$  is LI.

#### 11.3 Theorem

V vector space,  $\dim(V) = n < \infty$ 

 $W\subseteq V$  subspace. Then:

- 1.  $0 \leq \dim(W) \leq \dim(V)$
- 2.  $\dim(W) = \dim(V) \iff W = V$
- 3.  $\dim(W) = 0 \iff W = \{0\}$

#### Proof

- 1. Suppose  $\{w_1, ..., w_m\}$  is a basis of W (dim(W) = m). Then,  $\{w_1, ..., w_m\}$  is an LI subset of W, hence also a subset of V. Therefore,  $m \leq \dim(V)$ .
- 2. If W = V, then  $\dim(W) = \dim(V)$ . If  $\dim(W) = \dim(V)$ , let  $S = \{w_1, ... w_n\}$  be a basis of W. (LI + consisting of n vectors) $\Rightarrow$  also a basis of V.

#### Examples

- 1. Any subspaces of  $M_{22}(\mathbb{R})$  has dimensions 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4 and the only subspace of dim(4) is  $M_{22}(\mathbb{R})$ . The only subspace of dim(0) is  $\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$
- 2. Any subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  has dimension 0,1,2,..., or n and the only subspace with dim(n) is  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The only subspace with dim(0) is  $\{(0,0,...,0)\}$

#### 11.6 Theorem:

Let  $B = \{v_1, ..., v_n\}$  be a basis of V.

Then for any  $v \in V$ , there exist unique scalars  $a, ..., a_n \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $v = a_1 v_1, ..., a_n v_n$ .

#### Examples:

- 1.  $\{(1,0),(0,1)\}\$ is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
- 2.  $\{(1,0),(0,1),(0,3)\}$  is NOT a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ s

#### Application

We can identify V with  $\mathbb{R}^n$ 

$$v = a_1 v_1 + \ldots + a_n v_n \longleftrightarrow (a_1, \ldots, a_n)$$
e.g. 
$$V = M_{22}(\mathbb{R}), B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$
Then 
$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \longleftrightarrow (a, b, c, d)$$

# Chapter 12: solving systems of linear equations 12.1 Examples

1.

$$\begin{cases} x + 3y + 2z = 6\\ 0x + y - z = 0 \end{cases}$$

is a linear system of 2 equations.

#### Definition

The general solution to a linear system is the set of all solutions, e.g.  $\{(6-5t,t,t) \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is the general solution to the above example (t is the parameter of the general solution).

2.

$$\begin{cases} x + y + z = 2 \\ x + y + z = 3 \end{cases}$$

Has no solution. The general solution is  $\emptyset$ , the empty set.

#### **Definition**

- A linear system with NO solution is called *inconsistent*.
- A linear system with at least one solution is called *consistent*.
- A linear system in which all the constants on the right are zero is called homogenous.
- A linear system in which at least one of the constants is nonzero is called *inhomogenous*.

#### Remark

• Homogenous system are always consistent. This is because (0,0,0) is always a solution (the trivial solution).

#### Definition

• A linear equation is called *degenerate* if all the coefficients are zero.

#### Remark

• Any linear system containing a degenerate, homogenous equation is inconsistent.

#### Theorem

Any linear system (with real coefficients) has either

- 1. NO solutions
- 2. exactly one solution
- 3. infinitely many solutions

#### Examples

1.

$$x + y + 2z = 3 \tag{1}$$

$$x - y + z = 2 \tag{2}$$

$$y = z = 1 \tag{3}$$

$$(2) - (1) = x + y + 2z = 3$$
  
 $-2y - z = -1$   
 $y - z = 1$ 

$$(2) - (3) = x + y + 2z = 3$$
  
 $y = z = 1$   
 $-2y = -1$ 

$$(3) + 2(2) = x + y + 2z = 3$$
  
 $y - z = 1$   
 $-3z = 1$ 

$$-\frac{1}{3}(3) \\ x + y + 2z = 3 \\ z = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$(2) + (3)$$
  
 $x + y + 2z = 3$   
 $y + \frac{2}{3}$   
etc

This method is inefficient. We can do this with matrices.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c}
1 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\
1 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\
0 & 1 & -1 & 1
\end{array} \right]$$

$$x = 3$$
$$y = \frac{2}{3}$$
$$z = \frac{1}{3}$$

We used the following operations:

- Add a multiple of one row to another row
- Interchange two rows
- Multiply one row by a nonzero scalar

These are called *elementary row operations* (ERO) and performing these operations to a linear system will not change these the general solution.

#### 12.3 Definition

- A matrix is in Row Echelon Form (REF) if the following conditions are satisfied:
  - All zero rows are at the bottom
  - The first nonzero entry of each row is 1 (leading 1)
  - Each leading 1 is to the right of the leading 1s in the rows above

- Each leading 1 is the only nonzero entry int its column, then the matrix is in  $\it reduced\ row\ echelon\ form\ (RREF).$ 

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right]$$

#### is REF but not RREF

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \end{array}\right]$$

is RREF, and the general solution is  $\{(7,4,5)\}$ 

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}\right]$$

#### General solution: $\emptyset$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right]$$

$$x_3 = s$$

$$x_4 = t \ (s, t \in \mathbb{R})$$

$$x_2 = -2s - t$$

$$x_1 = 1 - 2s$$

# Chapter 13: Solving systems of linear equations (cont'd)

#### Def:

Two linear systems are equivalent if they have the same general solution.

#### Thm:

If an ERO is performed on the augmented matrix of a linear system, the resulting linear system is equivalent to the original one.

#### Def:

Two matrices A and B are row equivalent if

•  $A \sim B$ , if B can be obtained from A by a finite sequence of ERO.

#### Thm:

Every matrix is row equivalent to a unique matrix in RREF. This statement is false if we replace RREF by REF).

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow R_1 - R_2 \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
REF
RREF
RREF

#### 13.1

• If the RREF of the augmented matrix has a row like

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $b \neq 0$ , then the system is inconsistent.

Otherwise, the system is consistent.

• If every column has leading 1, then there is a unique solution, e.g.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c}
1 & 0 & 3 \\
0 & 1 & 4 \\
0 & 0 & 0
\end{array} \right]$$

- Otherwise, there are infinitely many solutions.
  - 1. Set each non-leading variable equal to a different parameter
  - 2. Solve for the leading variables

e.g.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c}
1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\
0 & 1 & -4 & 4 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right]$$

Set 
$$z = t, t \in \mathbb{R}$$
  
Then

$$y = 4 + 4t$$
 
$$x = 3 - 2t$$
 
$$\{3 - 2t, 4 + 4t, t \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

e.g.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|cccc}
1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 7 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 6
\end{array}\right]$$

Set 
$$x_2 = s$$
  
 $x_5 = t$   
 $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$   
Then  $x_4 = 6 + t$   
 $x_3 = 5$   
 $x_1 = 7 - 2s - 3t$ 

#### 13.2 Gaussian elimination

- 1. If the matrix is 0 (the zero matrix), done.
- 2. Locate the leftmost nonzero column. Interchange rows if necessary, to bring a nonzero entry to the  $1^{\rm st}$  row.
- 3. Multiply the first row with a scalar to get a leading 1.
- 4. **Annihilate** the rest of the column.
- 5. Repeat step 1-4 ignoring the first row.

#### Iteration 2:

- 1. Same as above
- 2. Locate the leftmost column with a nonzero entry in the 2<sup>nd</sup>-last row, e.g.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|cccc}
1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\
0 & 0 & 4 & 7 & -4 \\
0 & 0 & 6 & 8 & 3
\end{array}\right]$$

Interchange rows if necessary to bring a nonzero entry to the 2<sup>nd</sup> row.

3. Multiply the  $2^{nd}$  row with a scalar to get a leading 1. e.g.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 & 3 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & | & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 3 & | & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & | & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow R_3 + R_1 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 3 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & | & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow R_1 - R_2, R_3 - R_2 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & | & 4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & | & -1/3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}R_3 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & | & 4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -4/3 \\$$

At this point, the matrix is already in REF. To find the RREF:

$$R_1 - R_3, R_2 - R_3 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -7/6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/6 \end{bmatrix}$$

The general solution of  $\{(t,-\frac{7}{6},\frac{3}{2},-\frac{1}{6})\mid t\in\mathbb{R}\}$  Ex:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & -7 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}R_1 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3/2 & 1/2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & -7 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}R_3 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3/2 & 1/2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 4/3 & -7/3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow R_2 \leftrightarrow R_1 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4/3 & -7/3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -3/2 & 1/2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### 13.3 Definition

The rank of a matrix A, denoted rank(A) is the number of leading 1s in any REF of A. e.g.

$$\operatorname{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3\\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 2$$

#### Remark

 $rank(A) \leq number of columns of A$