

Ch3

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Vector Subspace

Definition 1.

(contains the zero vector)

A Subspace V of \mathbb{R}^n is any non-empty subset of \mathbb{R}^n :

1. V is closed under vector addition; ($\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in V$, we have $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in V$)
2. V is closed under scalar multiplication ($\vec{u} \in V$, $k \in \mathbb{R}$, we have $k\vec{u} \in V$)

Example 2:

$$S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

• NOT vector space

$$\bullet \vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad 2\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \times$$

Lemma 3.3.

If S is a set of m linearly independent vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , then $m \leq n$.

Theorem 3.4.

A subset V is a vector subspace of \mathbb{R}^n iff it exists $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ s.t. $V = \text{Span}(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n)$

Definition 3.5.

• If V is a vector space with $V = \text{Span}(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n)$, then $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ is a spanning/generating set for V .Activity: Show $V = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x-y \\ x+y \\ y \end{pmatrix} : x, y \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

(1) Using Definition 3.1:

- Can take any kx, ky .
- Can take any addition

(2) Using finding a generating set for V .

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- Unique: - last $\text{rref}(A)$ no pivot
 - every $\text{rref}(C)$ have pivot

- Inf. many: - last $\text{rref}(A)$ no pivot
 - last $\text{rref}(C)$ no pivot

- Inconsistent: - last $\text{rref}(A)$ has pivot

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \vec{x}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \vec{y} \right\}$$

3.2 Bases.

Definition 3.6.

Let V be a vector subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

A subset $B = \{\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2, \vec{b}_3, \dots, \vec{b}_n\}$ of \mathbb{R}^n is called a Basis.

- if it is a linearly independent generating set.

> $\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n$ linearly independent

> $V = \text{Span}(\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n)$

- Bases are not unique.

Theorem 3.8. Let V be a vector subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

Then size of any basis for V is unique.

Definition 3.9

Let V be a vector subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

Dimension of V as $\dim V$, is equal to the size of any basis for V .

- $\dim \{\vec{0}\} = 0$.

Activity

Let $V = \text{Span}(v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4)$ be a vector subspace of \mathbb{R}^n

$$A = (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4)$$

- $\text{rref}(A)$ has pivot at column 1, 3, 4.

$$(1) \vec{v}_2 \in \text{Span}(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4)$$

(2) $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$ is a linearly independent set.

$$(3) \dim V = 3$$

Lemma 3.10.

$$A = (\vec{v}_1 \quad \vec{v}_2 \quad \dots \quad \vec{v}_m)$$

$$\text{rref}(A) = (\vec{x}_1 \quad \vec{x}_2 \quad \dots \quad \vec{x}_n)$$

$\text{rref}(A)$ column \vec{x}_m has no pivot (NOT pivot column)

$$\text{Then } \text{Span}(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) = \text{Span}(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1})$$

↑
REMOVE \vec{v}_m .

Theorem 3.11 (Finding Bases)

Let V be the vector subspace of \mathbb{R}^n

$$V = \text{Span}(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m)$$

→ If A is matrix with column vectors $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$

→ pivot columns of A will form basis for V .

→ RREF of A has k pivots → $\dim(V) = k$.

Problem set 3. P.3.1, P.3.3, P.3.6, P.3.7, P.3.10

P.3.1: Prove if S is a set of m linearly independent vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , then $m \leq n$.

$$\text{Let } S = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \dots, \vec{v}_m\}$$

Since \mathbb{R}^n has dimension of n ,

any basis of \mathbb{R}^n consists exactly n linearly independent vectors.

of linearly independent vectors

i. The maximum number of linearly independent vectors in \mathbb{R}^n is n .

i. $m \leq n$, as the set S cannot have more linearly independent vectors than the dimension of \mathbb{R}^n .

P.3.3 (Theorem 3.11)

- Show that any set of n linearly independent vectors in \mathbb{R}^n forms a basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

Let $S = \{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n \}$ be a set with n linearly independent vectors

Let $C = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \end{pmatrix}$.

Since all vectors in S are linearly independent, all columns in C are pivot columns.

Thus, n columns (linearly independent vectors) form the basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

P.3.6, True/False:

If W and V are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^n ,

then $W \cup V := \{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \vec{x} \in W \text{ or } \vec{x} \in V \}$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

- True.

$W \cap V$ satisfies the 3 subspace properties:

$$1. \vec{0} \in W \text{ and } \vec{0} \in V, \therefore \vec{0} \in W \cap V$$

$$2. \text{ Let } \vec{x}, \vec{y} \in W \cap V.$$

Since W is a subspace, $\vec{x} + \vec{y} \in W$.

Since V is a subspace, $\vec{x} + \vec{y} \in V$.

$\therefore \vec{x} + \vec{y} \in W \cap V$, thus closure under addition.

$$3. \text{ Let } \vec{x} \in W \cap V. \text{ Let } k \text{ be any scalar.}$$

Since W is a subspace, $k\vec{x} \in W$.

Since V is a subspace, $k\vec{x} \in V$.

$\therefore k\vec{x} \in W \cap V$, thus closure under multiplication.

$\therefore W \cap V$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n

P.3.7 True or False:

if W and V are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^n , then

$$W \cup V := \{\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \vec{x} \in W \text{ or } \vec{x} \in V\}$$

is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

False.

$$\text{Example: } W = \{(x, 0) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}, V = \{(0, y) : y \in \mathbb{R}\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$$

Let $n \geq 2$, i.e. dimension is

$$\text{Take } W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$\text{Take } V = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ s \end{pmatrix} \mid s \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Take $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ from $W \cup V$,

addition of both gives $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

However, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is not in $W \cup V$.

\therefore Closure under addition does not apply here.

$\therefore W \cup V$ is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 .

\therefore We have disproved the required statement.

P. 3.10 Let V and W be vector subspaces of \mathbb{R}^5
with $V \cap W = \{ \vec{0} \}$.

Suppose that V has basis $\{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \}$,
 W has basis $\{ \vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2 \}$.

Find a basis for the vector space $V+W$, and
justify how you know this is a basis.

Since $V \cap W = \{\vec{0}\}$, we know that

$\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2$ are linearly independent

vectors of $V+W$, as none of the 4 vectors overlap except the zero vector from V and W .

\therefore Since $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2$ are all in $V+W$ and are linearly independent, \therefore

$\therefore \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2\}$ form the basis for $V+W$.
