

Concise definitions

Is it problematic to say $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is in V ? ^{it isn't, set}

Spans

Let $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ be a set of vectors in vector space V . We say that $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ spans V , if there exist scalars c_1, \dots, c_n in F , such that for any v in V

$$v = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n$$

* $\text{Span}(\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}) = \{c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n : v_1, \dots, v_n \in V \text{ and } c_1, \dots, c_n \in F\}$, that is, it is the set of all possible linear combinations of vectors $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$.

Linear combination

Given a set of vectors $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ in the vector space V , a linear combination is a vector, which can be obtained by multiplying each vector in the set by a scalar and then summing the results. It means that, there exist v in V , such that

$$v = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n$$

Subspace

A subspace U of V is a set, such that U is a subset of V that use the same addition and scalar multiplication of V and

1. $0 \in U$
2. closed under addition
3. closed under scalar multiplication

Linear independence

Let $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ be a set of vectors in V . We call it linear independent if a linear combination $v = \alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n$ is equal to 0 only when $\alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_n = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} &\{v_1, \dots, v_n\} \text{ spans } V \\ &\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n = 0 \quad \alpha_j v_j \\ &\rightarrow v_j = \beta_1 v_1 + \dots + \beta_n v_n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= \alpha_1 v_1 \\ v_2 &= \end{aligned}$$

Theorem the set of non-zero vectors x_1, \dots, x_n is linear dependent if and only if some $x_k, 2 \leq k \leq n$ is a linear combination of the preceding ones.