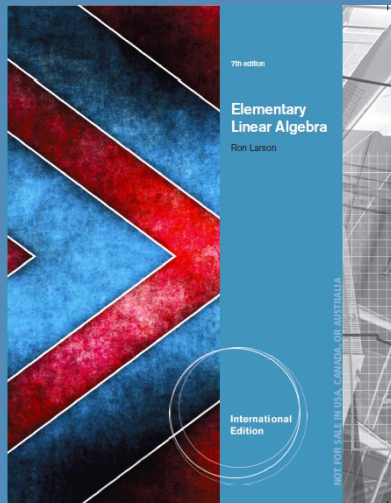


CHAPTER 4

VECTOR SPACES



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4.5 Basis and Dimension

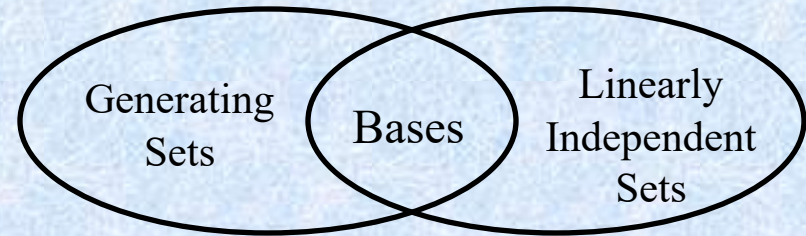
- **Basis:**

V : a vector space

$$S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\} \subseteq V$$

$$\begin{cases} (a) \ S \text{ spans } V \text{ (i.e., } \text{span}(S) = V) \\ (b) \ S \text{ is linearly independent} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is called a **basis** for V



- **Notes:**

(1) \emptyset is a basis for $\{\mathbf{0}\}$

(2) the standard basis for R^3 :

$$\{i, j, k\} \quad i = (1, 0, 0), \quad j = (0, 1, 0), \quad k = (0, 0, 1)$$

(3) the standard basis for R^n :

$$\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\} \quad \mathbf{e}_1=(1,0,\dots,0), \mathbf{e}_2=(0,1,\dots,0), \mathbf{e}_n=(0,0,\dots,1)$$

Ex: $R^4 \quad \{(1,0,0,0), (0,1,0,0), (0,0,1,0), (0,0,0,1)\}$

(4) the standard basis for $m \times n$ matrix space:

$$\{E_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$$

Ex: 2×2 matrix space:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(5) the standard basis for $P_n(x)$:

$$\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$$

Ex: $P_3(x) \quad \{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$

■ **Thm 4.9: (Uniqueness of basis representation)**

If $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a basis for a vector space V , then every vector in V can be written in one and only one way as a linear combination of vectors in S .

Pf:

$$\because S \text{ is a basis} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 1. \text{ } \text{span}(S) = V \\ 2. \text{ } S \text{ is linearly independent} \end{cases}$$

$$\because \text{span}(S) = V \quad \text{Let } \mathbf{v} = c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n$$

$$\mathbf{v} = b_1\mathbf{v}_1 + b_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + b_n\mathbf{v}_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{0} = (c_1 - b_1)\mathbf{v}_1 + (c_2 - b_2)\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + (c_n - b_n)\mathbf{v}_n$$

$$\because S \text{ is linearly independent}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = b_1, c_2 = b_2, \dots, c_n = b_n \quad (\text{i.e., uniqueness})$$

■ **Thm 4.10: (Bases and linear dependence)**

If $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a basis for a vector space V , then every set containing more than n vectors in V is linearly dependent.

Pf:

Let $S_1 = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$, $m > n$

$\because \text{span}(S) = V$

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \mathbf{u}_1 \in V & \Rightarrow & \mathbf{u}_1 = c_{11}\mathbf{v}_1 + c_{21}\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_{n1}\mathbf{v}_n \\ & & \mathbf{u}_2 = c_{12}\mathbf{v}_1 + c_{22}\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_{n2}\mathbf{v}_n \\ & & \vdots \\ & & \mathbf{u}_m = c_{1m}\mathbf{v}_1 + c_{2m}\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_{nm}\mathbf{v}_n \end{array}$$

$$\text{Let } k_1\mathbf{u}_1 + k_2\mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + k_m\mathbf{u}_m = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow d_1\mathbf{v}_1 + d_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + d_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0} \quad (\text{where } d_i = c_{i1}k_1 + c_{i2}k_2 + \dots + c_{im}k_m)$$

$\therefore S$ is L.I.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow d_i = 0 \quad \forall i \quad \text{i.e.} \quad & c_{11}k_1 + c_{12}k_2 + \dots + c_{1m}k_m = 0 \\ & c_{21}k_1 + c_{22}k_2 + \dots + c_{2m}k_m = 0 \\ & \vdots \\ & c_{n1}k_1 + c_{n2}k_2 + \dots + c_{nm}k_m = 0 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Thm 1.1: If the homogeneous system has fewer equations than variables, then it must have infinitely many solution.

$$m > n \Rightarrow k_1\mathbf{u}_1 + k_2\mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + k_m\mathbf{u}_m = \mathbf{0} \text{ has nontrivial solution}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_1 \text{ is linearly dependent}$$

- **Thm 4.11: (Number of vectors in a basis)**

If a vector space V has one basis with n vectors, then every basis for V has n vectors. (All bases for a finite-dimensional vector space has the same number of vectors.)

Pf:

$S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$
 $S' = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$ two bases for a vector space

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} S \text{ is a basis} \\ S' \text{ is L.I.} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Thm.4.10} \\ \Rightarrow n \geq m \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} S \text{ is L.I.} \\ S' \text{ is a basis} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Thm.4.10} \\ \Rightarrow n \leq m \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow n = m$$

- **Finite dimensional:**

A vector space V is called **finite dimensional**,
if it has a basis consisting of a finite number of elements.

- **Infinite dimensional:**

If a vector space V is not finite dimensional,
then it is called **infinite dimensional**.

- **Dimension:**

The **dimension** of a finite dimensional vector space V is
defined to be the number of vectors in a basis for V .

V : a vector space

S : a basis for V

$$\Rightarrow \dim(V) = \#(S) \quad (\text{the number of vectors in } S)$$

■ **Notes:**

$$(1) \dim(\{\mathbf{0}\}) = 0 = \#(\emptyset)$$

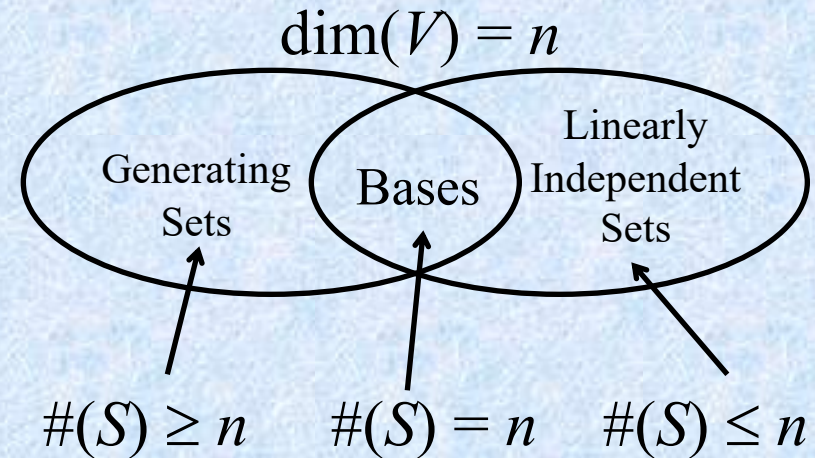
$$(2) \dim(V) = n, S \subseteq V$$

$$S : \text{a generating set} \Rightarrow \#(S) \geq n$$

$$S : \text{a L.I. set} \Rightarrow \#(S) \leq n$$

$$S : \text{a basis} \Rightarrow \#(S) = n$$

$$(3) \dim(V) = n, W \text{ is a subspace of } V \Rightarrow \dim(W) \leq n$$



■ **Ex:**

(1) Vector space $R^n \Rightarrow$ basis $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\}$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(R^n) = n$$

(2) Vector space $M_{m \times n} \Rightarrow$ basis $\{E_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(M_{m \times n}) = mn$$

(3) Vector space $P_n(x) \Rightarrow$ basis $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(P_n(x)) = n+1$$

(4) Vector space $P(x) \Rightarrow$ basis $\{1, x, x^2, \dots\}$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(P(x)) = \infty$$

■ **Ex 9: (Finding the dimension of a subspace)**

(a) $W = \{(d, c-d, c) : c \text{ and } d \text{ are real numbers}\}$

(b) $W = \{(2b, b, 0) : b \text{ is a real number}\}$

Sol: (Note: Find a set of L.I. vectors that spans the subspace)

(a) $(d, c-d, c) = c(0, 1, 1) + d(1, -1, 0)$

$\Rightarrow S = \{(0, 1, 1), (1, -1, 0)\}$ (S is L.I. and S spans W)

$\Rightarrow S$ is a basis for W

$\Rightarrow \dim(W) = \#(S) = 2$

(b) $\because (2b, b, 0) = b(2, 1, 0)$

$\Rightarrow S = \{(2, 1, 0)\}$ spans W and S is L.I.

$\Rightarrow S$ is a basis for W

$\Rightarrow \dim(W) = \#(S) = 1$

▪ **Ex 11: (Finding the dimension of a subspace)**

Let W be the subspace of all symmetric matrices in $M_{2 \times 2}$.

What is the dimension of W ?

Sol:

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

$$\because \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

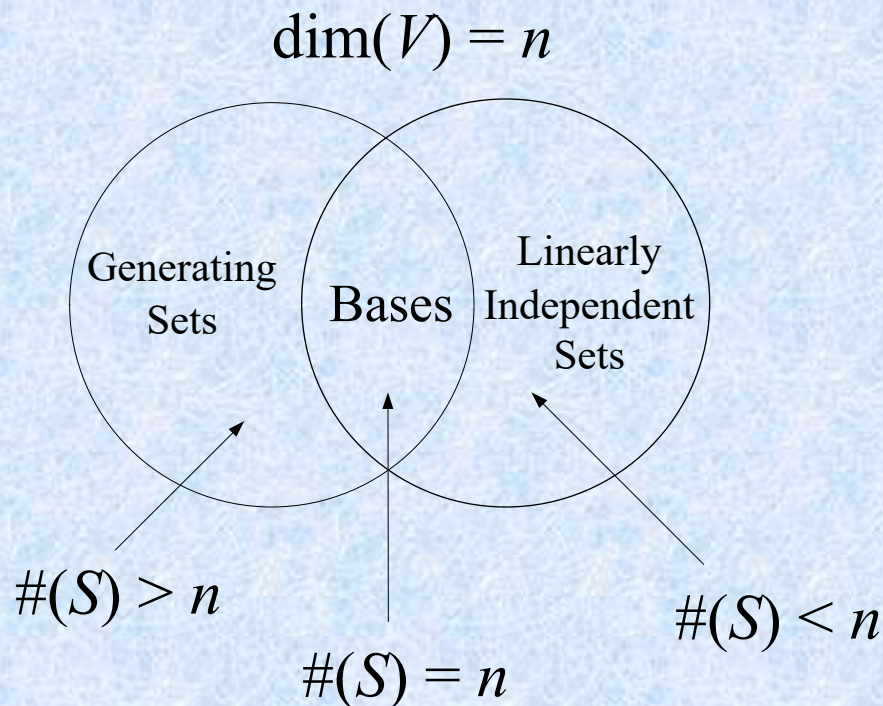
$$\Rightarrow S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ spans } W \text{ and } S \text{ is L.I.}$$

$$\Rightarrow S \text{ is a basis for } W \Rightarrow \dim(W) = \#(S) = 3$$

- **Thm 4.12: (Basis tests in an n -dimensional space)**

Let V be a vector space of dimension n .

- (1) If $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a linearly independent set of vectors in V , then S is a basis for V .
- (2) If $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ spans V , then S is a basis for V .



Proof of Theorem 4.12 (1)

- Let $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ be an independent set.
- By way of **contradiction**, suppose that S does not span V .
- Then, there exists $v \in V$, such that $v \notin \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$.
- So, $\{v_1, \dots, v_n, v\}$ is linearly independent, which is impossible by Theorem 4.10.
- Thus, S does span V , and therefore is a basis.

Proof of Theorem 4.12 (2)

- Let $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ spans V .
- By way of contradiction, suppose that S is linearly dependent.
- Then, $\exists v_i \in S$ is a linear combination of the other vectors in S .
- Without loss of generality, assume that v_n is a linear combination of $\{v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$, and therefore, $\{v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$ spans V .
- But, $n - 1$ vectors span a vector space of at most dimension $n - 1$, which is a contradiction.
- So, S is linearly independent, and therefore a basis.

Key Learning in Section 4.5

- Recognize bases in the vector spaces R^n , P_n and $M_{m,n}$
- Find the dimension of a vector space.

Keywords in Section 4.5

- basis : 基底
- dimension : 維度
- finite dimension : 有限維度
- infinite dimension : 無限維度

Review exercises

35. Determine whether S is a basis for $M_{2,2}$

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

4.6 Rank of a Matrix and Systems of Linear Equations

■ row vectors:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{(1)} \\ A_{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ A_{(m)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Row vectors of A

$$[a_{11}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{1n}] = A_{(1)}$$

$$[a_{21}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{2n}] = A_{(2)}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$[a_{m1}, a_{m2}, \dots, a_{mn}] = A_{(n)}$$

■ column vectors:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = [A^{(1)} : A^{(2)} : \cdots : A^{(n)}]$$

Column vectors of A

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} \cdots \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

\parallel $A^{(1)}$ \parallel $A^{(2)}$ \parallel $A^{(n)}$

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix.

- **Row space:**

The **row space** of A is the subspace of R^n spanned by the row vectors of A .

$$RS(A) = \{\alpha_1 A_{(1)} + \alpha_2 A_{(2)} + \dots + \alpha_m A_{(m)} \mid \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_m \in R\}$$

- **Column space:**

The **column space** of A is the subspace of R^m spanned by the column vectors of A .

$$CS(A) = \{\beta_1 A^{(1)} + \beta_2 A^{(2)} + \dots + \beta_n A^{(n)} \mid \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n \in R\}$$

- **Null space:**

The **null space** of A is the set of all solutions of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ and it is a subspace of R^n .

$$NS(A) = \{\mathbf{x} \in R^n \mid A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}\}$$

- **Thm 4.13: (Row-equivalent matrices have the same row space)**

If an $m \times n$ matrix A is row equivalent to an $m \times n$ matrix B ,
then the row space of A is equal to the row space of B .

- **Notes:**

(1) The row space of a matrix is not changed by elementary row operations.

$$RS(r(A)) = RS(A) \quad r: \text{elementary row operations}$$

(2) Elementary row operations can change the column space.

Proof of Theorem 4.13

- Because the rows of B can be obtained from the rows of A by elementary row operations, it follows that the row vectors of B can be written as linear combinations of the row vectors of A .
- The row vectors of B lie in the row space of A , and the subspace spanned by the row vectors of B is contained in the row space of A .
- But it is also true that the rows of A can be obtained from the rows of B by row elementary operations.
- So, the two row spaces are subspaces of each other, making them equal.

- **Thm 4.14: (Basis for the row space of a matrix)**

If a matrix A is row equivalent to a matrix B in row-echelon form, then the nonzero row vectors of B form a basis for the row space of A .

■ Ex 2: (Finding a basis for a row space)

Find a basis of row space of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Sol:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{G.E.}} B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{w}_1 \\ \mathbf{w}_2 \\ \mathbf{w}_3 \\ \\ \end{matrix}$$

$\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \mathbf{a}_3 \quad \mathbf{a}_4 \qquad \qquad \mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \mathbf{b}_3 \quad \mathbf{b}_4$

a basis for $RS(A) = \{\text{the nonzero row vectors of } B\}$ (Thm 4.14)
 $= \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\} = \{(1, 3, 1, 3), (0, 1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1)\}$

■ Notes:

$$(1) \quad \mathbf{b}_3 = -2\mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{a}_3 = -2\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2$$

$$(2) \quad \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_4\} \text{ is L.I.} \Rightarrow \{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_4\} \text{ is L.I.}$$

- Ex 3: (Finding a basis for a subspace)

Find a basis for the subspace of R^3 spanned by

$$S = \{(-1, 2, 5), (3, 0, 3), (5, 1, 8)\}$$

Sol:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \\ \mathbf{v}_3 \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{\text{G.E.}} B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{w}_1 \\ \mathbf{w}_2 \\ \mathbf{w}_3 \end{matrix}$$

a basis for $\text{span}(\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\})$

= a basis for $RS(A)$

= {the nonzero row vectors of B } (Thm 4.14)

= $\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2\}$

= $\{(1, -2, -5), (0, 1, 3)\}$

- Ex 4-5: (Finding a basis for the column space of a matrix)

Find a basis for the column space of the matrix A given in Ex 2.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sol. (Method 1):

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 6 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G.E.} B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & -5 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{w}_1 \\ \mathbf{w}_2 \\ \mathbf{w}_3 \\ \end{matrix}$$

$$\because CS(A) = RS(A^T)$$

$$\therefore \text{a basis for } CS(A)$$

$$= \text{a basis for } RS(A^T)$$

$$= \{\text{the nonzero vectors of } B\}$$

$$= \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 9 \\ -5 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad (\text{a basis for the column space of } A)$$

- **Note:** This basis is not a subset of $\{\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2, \mathbf{c}_3, \mathbf{c}_4\}$.

■ Sol. (Method 2):

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G.E.} B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{c}_1 \quad \mathbf{c}_2 \quad \mathbf{c}_3 \quad \mathbf{c}_4$
 $\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \mathbf{v}_3 \quad \mathbf{v}_4$

Leading 1 $\Rightarrow \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_4\}$ is a basis for $CS(B)$
 $\{\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2, \mathbf{c}_4\}$ is a basis for $CS(A)$

■ Notes:

- (1) This basis is a subset of $\{\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2, \mathbf{c}_3, \mathbf{c}_4\}$.
- (2) $\mathbf{v}_3 = -2\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2$, thus $\mathbf{c}_3 = -2\mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2$.

- **Thm 4.16: (Solutions of a homogeneous system)**

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, then the set of all solutions of the homogeneous system of linear equations $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ is a subspace of R^n called the nullspace of A .

Pf:

$$NS(A) \subseteq R^n$$

$$NS(A) = \{x \in R^n \mid Ax = 0\}$$

$$NS(A) \neq \emptyset \quad (\because A\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0})$$

Let $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \in NS(A)$ (i.e. $A\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{0}, A\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{0}$)

$$\text{Then} \quad (1) A(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2) = A\mathbf{x}_1 + A\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{Addition}$$

$$(2) A(c\mathbf{x}_1) = c(A\mathbf{x}_1) = c(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{Scalar multiplication}$$

Thus $NS(A)$ is a subspace of R^n

- **Notes:** The nullspace of A is also called the solution space of the homogeneous system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

■ Ex 7: (Finding the solution space of a homogeneous system)

Find the nullspace of the matrix A .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sol: The nullspace of A is the solution space of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G.J.E} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = -2s - 3t, x_2 = s, x_3 = -t, x_4 = t$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2s - 3t \\ s \\ -t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = s\mathbf{v}_1 + t\mathbf{v}_2$$

$$\Rightarrow NS(A) = \{s\mathbf{v}_1 + t\mathbf{v}_2 \mid s, t \in R\}$$

- **Thm 4.15: (Row and column space have equal dimensions)**

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, then the row space and the column space of A have the same dimension.

$$\dim(RS(A)) = \dim(CS(A))$$

- **Rank:**

The dimension of the row (or column) space of a matrix A is called the **rank** of A and is denoted by $\text{rank}(A)$.

$$\text{rank}(A) = \dim(RS(A)) = \dim(CS(A))$$

Proof of Theorem 4.15

- Let v_1, \dots, v_m be the row vectors and u_1, \dots, u_n be the column vectors of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Suppose the row space of A has dimension r and basis $S = \{b_1, \dots, b_r\}$, where $b_i = (b_{i1}, \dots, b_{in})$.
- Using this basis, you can write the row vectors of A as

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= c_{11}b_1 + \cdots + c_{1r}b_r \\ &\vdots \\ v_m &= c_{m1}b_1 + \cdots + c_{mr}b_r \end{aligned}$$

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- Rewrite this system of vector equations as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} [a_{11} \cdots a_{1n}] &= c_{11}[b_{11} \cdots b_{1n}] + \cdots + c_{1r}[b_{r1} \cdots b_{rn}] \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

$$[a_{m1} \cdots a_{mn}] = c_{m1}[b_{11} \cdots b_{1n}] + \cdots + c_{mr}[b_{r1} \cdots b_{rn}]$$

- Now, for the entries of the j th column, you can obtain the following system.

$$\begin{aligned} a_{1j} &= c_{11}b_{1j} + \cdots + c_{1r}b_{rj} \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

$$a_{mj} = c_{m1}b_{1j} + \cdots + c_{mr}b_{rj}$$

- Let the vectors $c_i = [c_{1i} \cdots c_{mi}]^T$.
- Then, the j th column can be rewritten as

$$u_j = b_{1j}c_1 + \cdots + b_{rj}c_r.$$

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- Put all column vectors together to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= b_{11}c_1 + \cdots + b_{r1}c_r \\ &\vdots \\ u_n &= b_{1n}c_1 + \cdots + b_{rn}c_r \end{aligned}$$

- Because each column vector of A is a linear combination of r vectors, the dimension of the column space of A is less than or equal to r.
- That is, $\dim(\text{column space of } A) \leq \dim(\text{row space of } A)$

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- Repeat this procedure for A^T , the dimension of the column space of A^T is less than or equal to the row space of A^T .
 - This implies that the dimension of the row space of A is less than or equal to the dimension of the column space of A .
 - That is, $\dim(\text{row space of } A) \leq \dim(\text{column space of } A)$.
 - So, the two dimension must be equal.

- **Nullity:**

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The dimension of the nullspace of A is called the nullity of A .

$$\text{nullity}(A) = \dim(NS(A))$$

- **Note:** $\text{rank}(A^T) = \text{rank}(A)$

Pf: $\text{rank}(A^T) = \dim(RS(A^T)) = \dim(CS(A)) = \text{rank}(A)$

- **Thm 4.17: (Dimension of the solution space)**

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix of rank r , then the dimension of the solution space of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ is $n - r$. That is

$$n = \text{rank}(A) + \text{nullity}(A)$$

- **Notes:**

(1) $\text{rank}(A)$: The number of leading variables in the solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

(The number of nonzero rows in the row-echelon form of A)

(2) $\text{nullity}(A)$: The number of free variables in the solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

■ Notes:

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix and $\text{rank}(A) = r$, then

Fundamental Space	Dimension
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$RS(A) = CS(A^T)$	r
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$CS(A) = RS(A^T)$	r
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$NS(A)$	$n - r$
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$NS(A^T)$	$m - r$
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■ **Ex 8: (Rank and nullity of a matrix)**

Let the column vectors of the matrix A be denoted by \mathbf{a}_1 , \mathbf{a}_2 , \mathbf{a}_3 , \mathbf{a}_4 , and \mathbf{a}_5 .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & 0 & -12 \end{bmatrix}$$

\mathbf{a}_1	\mathbf{a}_2	\mathbf{a}_3	\mathbf{a}_4	\mathbf{a}_5
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- (a) Find the rank and nullity of A .
- (b) Find a subset of the column vectors of A that forms a basis for the column space of A .
- (c) If possible, write the third column of A as a linear combination of the first two columns.

Sol: Let B be the reduced row-echelon form of A .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & 0 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \mathbf{a}_3 \quad \mathbf{a}_4 \quad \mathbf{a}_5$ $\mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \mathbf{b}_3 \quad \mathbf{b}_4 \quad \mathbf{b}_5$

(a) $\text{rank}(A) = 3$ (the number of nonzero rows in B)

$$\text{nullity}(A) = n - \text{rank}(A) = 5 - 3 = 2$$

(b) Leading 1

$\Rightarrow \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_4\}$ is a basis for $CS(B)$

$\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_4\}$ is a basis for $CS(A)$

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{a}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$(c) \quad \mathbf{b}_3 = -2\mathbf{b}_1 + 3\mathbf{b}_2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{a}_3 = -2\mathbf{a}_1 + 3\mathbf{a}_2$$

- **Thm 4.18: (Solutions of a nonhomogeneous linear system)**

If \mathbf{x}_p is a particular solution of the nonhomogeneous system

$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, then every solution of this system can be written in

the form $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_p + \mathbf{x}_h$, where \mathbf{x}_h is a solution of the corresponding homogeneous system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

Pf:

Let \mathbf{x} be any solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.

$$\Rightarrow A(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_p) = A\mathbf{x} - A\mathbf{x}_p = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}.$$

$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_p)$ is a solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

Let $\mathbf{x}_h = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_p$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_p + \mathbf{x}_h$$

■ **Ex 9: (Finding the solution set of a nonhomogeneous system)**

Find the set of all solution vectors of the system of linear equations.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} x_1 & & & - & 2x_3 & + & x_4 & = & 5 \\ 3x_1 & + & x_2 & - & 5x_3 & & & = & 8 \\ x_1 & + & 2x_2 & & & - & 5x_4 & = & -9 \end{array}$$

Sol:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & -5 & 0 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -5 & -9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{G.J.E} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

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$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2s & - & t & + & 5 \\ -s & + & 3t & - & 7 \\ s & + & 0t & + & 0 \\ 0s & + & t & + & 0 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= s\mathbf{u}_1 + t\mathbf{u}_2 + \mathbf{x}_p$$

i.e. $\mathbf{x}_p = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is a particular solution vector of $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$.

$\mathbf{x}_h = s\mathbf{u}_1 + t\mathbf{u}_2$ is a solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

- **Thm 4.19: (Solution of a system of linear equations)**

The system of linear equations $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent if and only if \mathbf{b} is in the column space of A .

Pf:

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

be the coefficient matrix, the column matrix of unknowns, and the right-hand side, respectively, of the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 A\mathbf{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{mn}x_n \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= x_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} + \cdots + x_n \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent if and only if \mathbf{b} is a linear combination of the columns of A . That is, the system is consistent if and only if \mathbf{b} is in the subspace of R^m spanned by the columns of A .

- **Note:**

If $\text{rank}([A|\mathbf{b}]) = \text{rank}(A)$

Then the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent.

- **Ex 10: (Consistency of a system of linear equations)**

$$x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = -1$$

$$x_1 + x_3 = 3$$

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 1$$

Sol:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G.J.E.} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[A:\mathbf{b}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & \vdots & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 & \vdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{G.J.E.} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & \vdots & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{c}_1 \quad \mathbf{c}_2 \quad \mathbf{c}_3 \quad \mathbf{b}$
 $\mathbf{w}_1 \quad \mathbf{w}_2 \quad \mathbf{w}_3 \quad \mathbf{v}$

$$\because \mathbf{v} = 3\mathbf{w}_1 - 4\mathbf{w}_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{b} = 3\mathbf{c}_1 - 4\mathbf{c}_2 + 0\mathbf{c}_3 \quad (\mathbf{b} \text{ is in the column space of } A)$$

\Rightarrow The system of linear equations is consistent.

■ Check:

$$\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}([A \mid \mathbf{b}]) = 2$$

- **Summary of equivalent conditions for square matrices:**

If A is an $n \times n$ matrix, then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1) A is invertible
- (2) $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has a unique solution for any $n \times 1$ matrix \mathbf{b} .
- (3) $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution
- (4) A is row-equivalent to I_n
- (5) $|A| \neq 0$
- (6) $\text{rank}(A) = n$
- (7) The n row vectors of A are linearly independent.
- (8) The n column vectors of A are linearly independent.

Key Learning in Section 4.6

- Find a basis for the row space, a basis for the column space, and the rank of a matrix.
- Find the nullspace of a matrix.
- Find the solution of a consistent system $Ax = b$ in the form $x_p + x_h$.

Keywords in Section 4.6:

- row space : 列空間
- column space : 行空間
- null space: 零空間
- solution space : 解空間
- rank: 秩
- nullity : 核次數

Review exercises

39. Find (a) a basis for the null space, (b) the nullity, and (c) the rank of the matrix A .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & -6 & -4 \\ 1 & 5 & -3 & 11 \\ 2 & 7 & -6 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$$