

CHAPTER 3

General Vector Spaces

Part 1: Definition

Definition

A set V is called a **vector space** over the real numbers provided that there are **two operations**: **addition** and **scalar multiplication**, that satisfy the following axioms. The axioms must hold for all vectors \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} in V and all scalar c and d in \mathbb{R} .

Axiom

1) If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are objects in V , then $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is in V

[Closed under addition]

2) $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}$

[Addition is commutative]

3) $\mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w}$

[Addition is associative]

4) There is an object $\mathbf{0}$ in V , called a **zero vector** for V , such that $\mathbf{0} + \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{u}$ for all \mathbf{u} in V .

[Additive identity]

5) For each \mathbf{u} in V , there is an object $-\mathbf{u}$ in V , called a **negative** of \mathbf{u} , such that $\mathbf{u} + (-\mathbf{u}) = (-\mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$

[Additive inverse]

Axiom

Cont'd.

6) If c is any scalar and \mathbf{u} is any object in V , then $c\mathbf{u}$ is in V .

[Closed under scalar multiplication]

$$7) \quad c(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = c\mathbf{u} + c\mathbf{v}$$

$$8) \quad (c + d)\mathbf{u} = c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{u}$$

$$9) \quad c(d\mathbf{u}) = (cd)\mathbf{u}$$

$$10) \quad 1\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}$$

Specify a Vector Space

Steps to specify a vector space V :

Step (1): Identify the set V of objects that will become vectors.

Step (2): Identify the addition and scalar multiplication operations on V .

Step (3): Verify Axioms 1 and 6; that is, adding two vectors in V produces a vector in V , and multiplying a vector in V by a scalar also produces a vector in V . **Axiom 1** is called ***closure under addition***, and **Axiom 6** is called ***closure under scalar multiplication***.

Step (4): Confirm that Axioms 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10 hold.

Axiom

Example

1) The set $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ with the standard operations of addition and scalar multiplication defined is a vector space.

2) The set $V = M_{m \times n}$ of all $m \times n$ matrices with real entries, together with the operations of matrix addition and scalar multiplication that been defined component wise is a vector space.

Axiom

Example

Let $V = \mathbb{R}$. Define addition and scalar multiplication by

$$\mathbf{a + b = 2a + 2b} \quad ; \quad \mathbf{ka = ka}$$

Show that addition is commutative but not associative.

Axiom

Example - Solution

Since the usual addition of real numbers (on the *rhs*) is **commutative**,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a + b} &= 2a + 2b \\ &= 2b + 2a \\ &= \mathbf{b + a} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the operation is commutative.

Axiom

Example – Solution (cont'd)

To determine whether addition is associative, we evaluate and compare the expressions

$$(a + b) + c \text{ and } a + (b + c)$$

In this case, we have

$$\begin{aligned}(a + b) + c &= (2a + 2b) + c \\ &= 2(2a + 2b) + 2c \\ &= 4a + 4b + 2c\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}a + (b + c) &= 2a + (2b + 2c) \\ &= 2a + 2(2b + 2c) \\ &= 2a + 4b + 4c\end{aligned}$$

Since, $(a + b) + c \neq a + (b + c) \Rightarrow$ Addition is **not associative**.

Axiom

Example

Let, $V = \{ (a, b) \mid a, b \in R \}$. Let $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, w_2)$. Define

$$(v_1, v_2) + (w_1, w_2) = (v_1 + w_1 + 1, v_2 + w_2 + 1)$$

Verify that V satisfy axiom 1, 2 and 3.

Axiom

Example - Solution

- **Axiom 1**

For any $v_1, v_2, w_1, w_2 \in R$, the result of sum $(v_1, v_2) + (w_1, w_2) = (v_1 + w_1 + 1, v_2 + w_2 + 1)$ is in V .

- **Axiom 2**

The components of the vectors are real numbers, and the addition of real numbers is commutative.

Axiom

Example - Solution

- **Axiom 3** $[(u + v) + w = u + (v + w)]$

The components of the vectors are real numbers, and the addition of real numbers is associative.

$$\begin{aligned}(u + v) + w &= [(u_1, u_2) + (v_1, v_2)] + (w_1, w_2) \\&= [(u_1 + v_1 + 1) + w_1 + 1, (u_2 + v_2 + 1) + w_2 + 1] \\&= [(u_1 + 1) + (v_1 + w_1 + 1), (u_2 + 1) + (v_2 + w_2 + 1)] \\&= [(u_1, u_2) + ((v_1, v_2) + (w_1, w_2))] \\&= u + (v + w)\end{aligned}$$

Axiom

Example

Let $V = R^3$ with the operations

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ y_1 + y_2 \\ z_1 + z_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad k \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} kx_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Show that V with the given operations is not a vector space.

Axiom

Example - Solution

- **Axiom 1:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ y_1 + y_2 \\ z_1 + z_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is in V , (closure of addition)

- **Axiom 2:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ y_1 + y_2 \\ z_1 + z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 + x_1 \\ y_2 + y_1 \\ z_2 + z_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Addition is commutative)

Axiom

Example – Solution (cont'd)

- **Axiom 3:**

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) + \begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ y_3 \\ z_3 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} (x_1 + x_2) + x_3 \\ (y_1 + y_2) + y_3 \\ (z_1 + z_2) + z_3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + (x_2 + x_3) \\ y_1 + (y_2 + y_3) \\ z_1 + (z_2 + z_3) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} + \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ y_3 \\ z_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) \end{aligned}$$

(Addition is associative)

Axiom

Example – Solution (cont'd)

- Axiom 4

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Additive identity)

- Axiom 5

$$\begin{bmatrix} -x_1 \\ -y_1 \\ -z_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Additive inverse)

Axiom

Example – Solution (cont'd)

- Axiom 6:

$$k \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} kx_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is in V
(Closure under scalar multiplication)

- Axiom 7:

$$k \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} k(x_1 + x_2) \\ y_1 + y_2 \\ z_1 + z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (kx_1 + kx_2) \\ y_1 + y_2 \\ z_1 + z_2 \end{bmatrix} = k \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} + k \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Axiom

Example – Solution (cont'd)

- Axiom 8:

$$(k + m) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (k + m)x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} \neq k \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{pmatrix} + m \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (k + m)x_1 \\ 2y_1 \\ 2z_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, V is not a vector space

Axiom

Example

Let $V = R$. The addition and scalar multiplication is defined as follows:

$$a + b = ab \quad ; \quad ka = ka$$

Show that V is not a vector space.

Axiom

Example - Solution

$$a + b = a^b \neq b + a = b^a$$

∴ Axiom 2 is not satisfied.

Exercise #1

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ and define addition as the standard component wise addition and define scalar multiplication by

$$c \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x + c \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine whether V is a vector space.

Vector Subspace

- A **subspace** of W of a vector space V is nonempty subset that itself a vector space with respect to the inherited operations of vector addition and scalar multiplication on V .
 - **Closed under addition**
If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are vectors in W , then $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is in W
 - **Closed scalar multiplication**
If k is any scalar and \mathbf{u} is any vector in W , then $k\mathbf{u}$ is in W

Vector Subspace

Example

- Let V be the vector space R^2 with the standard definitions of addition and scalar multiplication.

- Let $W \subseteq R^2$ be the subset defined by

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

Vector Subspace

Example

- The sum of two vectors is in W

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a + b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(The subset W is closed under addition)

- Let c be any real number,

$$c \begin{bmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ca \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is in } W$$

(The subset W is closed under scalar multiplication)

Thus, W is a subspace of V

Vector Subspace

Example

$$\text{Let, } W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b \in R \right\}$$

be a subset of V , the vector space R^3 for all vectors,

$$X = (a_1, b_1, 1); Y = (a_2, b_2, 1)$$

Determine whether W is a subspace of V .

Vector Subspace

Example - Solution

The sum of two vectors,

$$X + Y = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ b_1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ b_2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + a_2 \\ b_1 + b_2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is not in } W.$$

∴ The subset W is not closed under addition. Thus W is not a subspace of V .

Vector Subspace

Example

Let $M_{2 \times 2}$ be the vector space of 2×2 matrices with the standard operations for addition and scalar multiplication and let W be the subset of all 2×2 matrices with **trace** 0, that is,

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mid a + d = 0 \right\}$$

Show that W is a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$

Note: Trace of a square matrix is the sum of the entries on the diagonal.

Vector Subspace

Example - Solution

$$\text{Let, } w_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ c_1 & d_1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } w_2 = \begin{bmatrix} a_2 & b_2 \\ c_2 & d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

be matrices in W , so that $a_1 + d_1 = 0$ and $a_2 + d_2 = 0$.

The sum of two matrices in W ,

$$w_1 + w_2 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + a_2 & b_1 + b_2 \\ c_1 + c_2 & d_1 + d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since the trace of } w_1 + w_2 &= (a_1 + a_2) + (d_1 + d_2) \\ &= (a_1 + d_1) + (a_2 + d_2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(W is closed under addition)

Vector Subspace

Example – Solution (cont'd)

- Let c be any real number

$$cw_1 = c \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ c_1 & d_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ca_1 & cb_1 \\ cc_1 & cd_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the trace of $cw_1 = ca_1 + cd_1 = c(a_1 + d_1) = 0$

(W is closed under scalar multiplication)

Thus, W is a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$

Exercise #2

Let,

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ a + 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid a \in R \right\}$$

be a subset of the vector space $V = R^2$ with the standard definitions of addition and scalar multiplication.
Determine whether W is a subspace of V .

Exercise #3

Determine whether the subset S of R^2 is a subspace.

If S is not a subspace, find vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} in S such that $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is not in S ; or a vector \mathbf{u} and a scalar c such that $c\mathbf{u}$ is not in S .

i. $S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 2x - 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid x \in R \right\}$

ii. $S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \mid xy \leq 0 \right\}$

CHAPTER 3

General Vector Spaces

Part 2: Span, Basis and Dimension

Span of Sets of Vector

- Let V be a vector space and let $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ be a (finite) set of vectors in V .
- The **span** of S , denoted by ***span***(S) or **span** $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$, is the set:

$$\text{span}(S) = \{c_1\mathbf{v}_1, c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n \mid c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n \in R\}$$

- In other word, **determine if every vector in V can be expressed as linear combination of the vectors in S or not.**
- ***span***(S) is a subspace of V .

Span of Single Vector

The span of a single nonzero vector in R^n is a **line** through the origin as shown in figure 1(a).

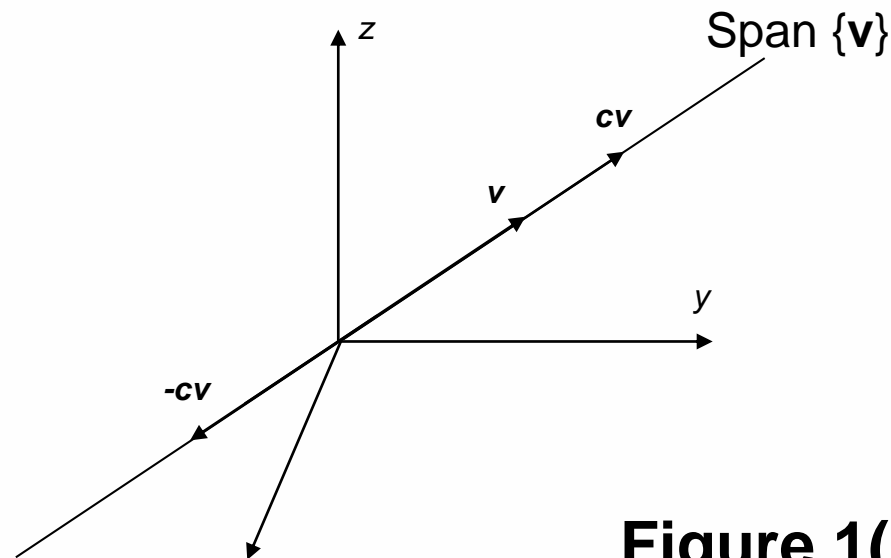


Figure 1(a)

Span of Two Vectors

- The span of two linearly independent vectors is a **plane** through the origin as shown in figure 1(b).

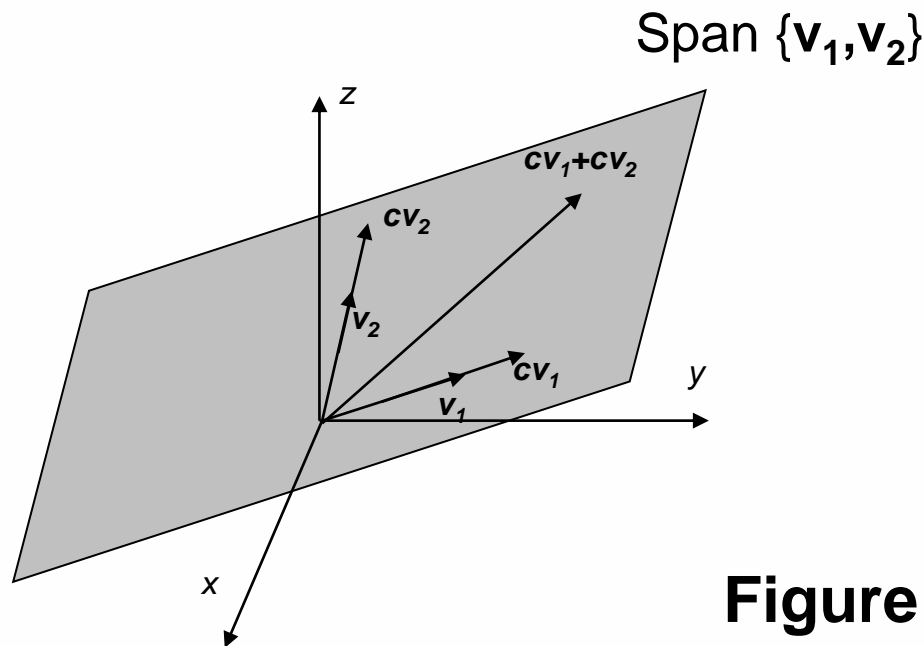


Figure 1(b)

Span of Sets of Vector

Example #1:

Let S be the subset of the vector space R^3 defined by

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Show that the vector, \mathbf{v} is in **span**(S).

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 4 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Span of Sets of Vector

Example #1 - Solution:

- The vector, \mathbf{v} is in $\text{span}(S)$ provided that there are scalars c_1, c_2 and c_3 such that

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 4 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

- This linear system in matrix form is given by

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

Span of Sets of Vector

Example #1 – Solution (cont'd):

- Solve the linear system:

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

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & -1 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{7} & \frac{4}{7} \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 3 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{2}{7} & \frac{-16}{7} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{7} & \frac{4}{7} \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{2}{7} & \frac{-16}{7} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{7} & \frac{4}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{-17}{7} & \frac{-17}{7} \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{2}{7} & \frac{-16}{7} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{7} & \frac{4}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{7} & \frac{4}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right]; \quad c_3 = -1; c_2 = 1; c_1 = -2$$

Since every vector in \mathbb{R}^3 can be written as a **linear combination** of the three given vectors, thus the vector \mathbf{v} is in $\text{span}(S)$.

Span of Sets of Vector

Example #2:

Show that

$$\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \mathbb{R}^3$$

Span of Sets of Vector

Example #2 - Solution:

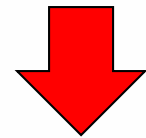
Let, $v = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ be an arbitrary element of R^3 . The vector \mathbf{v} is in **span**(S) provided that there are scalars c_1, c_2 and c_3 such that

$$c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + c_3 \mathbf{v}_3 = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Span of Sets of Vector

Example #2 - Solution:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & x_1 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 & x_2 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & x_3 \end{array} \right] \cdots \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & x_1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & x_2 + x_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & x_3 - (x_2 + x_1) \end{array} \right]$$



This shows that a solution exists for all choice of x_1, x_2 and x_3 . Thus every vector in R^3 can be written as a **linear combination** of the three given vectors. Hence, the span of the three vectors is all of R^3 .

Exercise #4

1) Determine whether

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ span the vector space } R^3.$$

2) Show that

$$\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = R^3$$

Basis For Vector Space

- A subset B of a vector space V is a **basis** for V provided that
 - i) B is **linearly independent** set of vectors in V
 - ii) $\text{span}(B) = V$

- For any R^n , $\mathbf{e}_n = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

is the **standard basis** and denote by $\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots \dots \mathbf{e}_n$

Basis For Vector Space

Example #1

Show that the set,

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

is the basis for R^3 .

Basis For Vector Space

Example #1 – Solution:

1) Show that $\text{span}(B) = V$

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & a \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & c \end{array} \right] \dots \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2a - b - c \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -a + b + c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -a + b \end{array} \right]$$

This show that a solution exists for all choices of a, b and c .

Thus, $\text{span}(B) = R^3$

Basis For Vector Space

Example #1 – Solution (cont'd):

2) Show that B is **linearly independent** set of vectors in V

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \dots \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

This implies that $c_1 = 0$, $c_2 = 0$ and $c_3 = 0$. (**trivial solution**)

Thus set B is linearly independent.

Basis For Vector Space

Example #1 – Solution (cont'd):

- Alternatively, compute the determinant of the coefficients matrix and set of vectors is linearly independent if and only if the determinant is nonzero.

Use 1st row:

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

Hence the set B is a basis for \mathbb{R}^3

Basis For Vector Space

Example #2:

Determine whether

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

is the basis for $M_{2 \times 2}$.

Basis For Vector Space

Example #2 – Solution:

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$, show that A is in $\text{span}(B)$.

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

The augmented matrix is

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

Basis For Vector Space

Example #2 – Solution (cont'd):

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 & a \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & b \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & c \\ 1 & 0 & -4 & d \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 5 & 1 & -3a + b \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & -a - 3b + 5c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a + 4b - 7c + d \end{array} \right]$$

- Observe that the solution of linear system is **inconsistent**.
- Hence, B **does not** span $M_{2 \times 2}$. Therefore, the set B is **not a basis** for $M_{2 \times 2}$

Dimension of Vector Space

- The dimension of a finite dimensional vector space, denoted by **$\dim(V)$** , is defined to be the number of vectors in a basis for V .
- In addition, the *zero vector space* is defined to have *dimensional zero*.

Dimension of Vector Space

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

The standard basis has n vectors $(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n)$.

- $\dim(M_{2 \times 2}) = 4$

The standard basis of $M_{2 \times 2}$ has 4 vectors.

- $\dim(M_{m \times n}) = m * n$

The standard basis has $m * n$ vectors.

- $\dim(P_n) = n + 1$

The standard basis has $n + 1$ vectors.

Dimension of Vector Space

Example:

Determine a basis and the dimension of the solution space of the homogeneous system.

$$2x_1 + 2x_2 - 3x_3 + x_5 = 0$$

$$-x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 - 3x_4 + x_5 = 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 - x_5 = 0$$

$$x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 0$$

Dimension of Vector Space

Example #2 – Solution:

Find the solution space of the homogeneous system by using Gaussian elimination method.

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 2 & 2 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \dots \Rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 2 & 2 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5 & -3 & 1.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$



It shows that x_1, x_3, x_4 and x_5 are leading variables in which $x_3 = x_4 = x_5 = 0$ and x_2 is a free variable. Let $x_2 = a$, then we obtain $x_1 = -x_2 = -a$.

Dimension of Vector Space

Example #2 – Solution (cont'd):

Write the solution as follows:

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -a \\ a \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = a \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A = \left\{ x \mid x = a \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, a \in R \right\}$$

Dimension of Vector Space

Example #2 – Solution (cont'd):

This is an evident that the vector \mathbf{v} is spans the solution space A and linearly independent which implies that \mathbf{v} is a basis of A .

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore, the dimension of the solution space A is equal to 1 since A contains only one vector basis.

Exercise #5

Find the basis for the subspace S of the vector space V and specify the dimension of S .

$$S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} s + 2t \\ -s + t \\ t \end{pmatrix} \mid s, t \in R \right\}, V = R^3$$

CHAPTER 3

General Vector Spaces

Part 3: Coordinate & Change of Basis

Coordinate

Let $\mathbf{B} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ be an ordered basis for the vector space V . Let \mathbf{v} be a vector in V , and let c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n be a unique scalars such that

$$\mathbf{v} = c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n$$

Then c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n are called the **coordinates of \mathbf{v} relative to \mathbf{B}** , and written as

$$[\mathbf{v}]_{\mathbf{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Coordinate

Example #1:

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ and \mathbf{B} be the ordered basis,

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Find the coordinates of the vector, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ relative to B .

Coordinate

Example #1 – Solution:

The coordinates c_1 and c_2 are found by writing \mathbf{v} as a linear combination of the two vectors in B .

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

and we obtain $c_1 = 3$ and $c_2 = 2$. Therefore the coordinate vector of $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ relative to B is $[\mathbf{v}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Coordinate

Example #2:

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

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

Show that B is a basis for W and find the coordinates of vector, $v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ relative to B .

Coordinate

Example #2 – Solution:

Since the matrix is 2x2 symmetric matrices, thus B **spans** W . The matrices in B are also linearly independent and hence are a basis for W . Observe that \mathbf{v} can be written as,

$$2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 5 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then, the coordinate vector of \mathbf{v} relative to the ordered basis B is

$$[\mathbf{v}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise #6

Find the coordinates of the vector \mathbf{v} relative to the ordered basis B .

$$a) B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b) B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Change of Basis

Definition:

Change from coordinates relative to one basis for V to another basis for V .

Example #1:

Let V be a vector space of dimension 2 and let $B = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ and $B' = \{\mathbf{v}'_1, \mathbf{v}'_2\}$ be ordered bases for V . Now let \mathbf{v} be a vector in V , and suppose that the coordinates of \mathbf{v} relative to B are given by $[\mathbf{v}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ that is $\mathbf{v} = x_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + x_2 \mathbf{v}_2$.

Determine the coordinates of \mathbf{v} relative to B' .

Change of Basis

Example #1 – Solution:

To determine the coordinates of \mathbf{v} relative to B' :

- 1) Write \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 in terms of the vectors \mathbf{v}'_1 and \mathbf{v}'_2 . Since B' is a basis, there are scalars a_1, a_2, b_1 and b_2 such that

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = a_1 \mathbf{v}'_1 + a_2 \mathbf{v}'_2$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = b_1 \mathbf{v}'_1 + b_2 \mathbf{v}'_2$$

- 2) Then \mathbf{v} can be write as

$$\mathbf{v} = x_1(a_1 \mathbf{v}'_1 + a_2 \mathbf{v}'_2) + x_2(b_1 \mathbf{v}'_1 + b_2 \mathbf{v}'_2)$$

- 3) Collecting the coefficient of \mathbf{v}'_1 and \mathbf{v}'_2 , gives

$$\mathbf{v} = (x_1 a_1 + x_2 b_1) \mathbf{v}'_1 + (x_1 a_2 + x_2 b_2) \mathbf{v}'_2$$

Change of Basis

Example #1 – Solution (cont'd):

4) Coordinates of \mathbf{v} relative to the basis B' are given by

$$[\mathbf{v}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 a_1 + x_2 b_1 \\ x_1 a_2 + x_2 b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

5) Rewriting the vector on the right-hand side as a matrix product, we have

$$[\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{v}]_B$$

Change of Basis

Example #1 – Solution (cont'd):

6) Notice that the column vectors of the matrix are the coordinate vectors $[\mathbf{v}]_B$ and $[\mathbf{v}]_{B'}$. The matrix,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is called the **transition matrix** from B to B' and is denote by $[I]_B^{B'}$. So that, $[\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = [I]_B^{B'} [\mathbf{v}]_B$

Change of Basis

Example #2

Let, $V = R^2$ with bases

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ and } B' = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

a) Find the transition matrix from B to B' .

b) Let, $[\mathbf{v}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, find $[\mathbf{v}]_{B'}$

Change of Basis

Example #2 – Solution:

- a. By denoting the vectors in B by \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 and those in B' by \mathbf{v}'_1 and \mathbf{v}'_2 , the column vectors of the transition matrix are $[\mathbf{v}_1]_{B'}$ and $[\mathbf{v}_2]_{B'}$. These coordinate vectors are found from the equations

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad d_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + d_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving these equations gives $c_1 = 2$ and $c_2 = 3$, and $d_1 = 0$ and $d_2 = -1$, so that

$$[\mathbf{v}_1]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad [\mathbf{v}_2]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, the transition matrix is

$$[I]_{B'}^B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Change of Basis

Example #2 – Solution (cont'd):

b. Since

$$[\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = [I]_B^{B'} [\mathbf{v}]_B$$

then

$$[\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

Observe that the same vector, relative to the different bases, is obtained from the coordinates $[\mathbf{v}]_B$ and $[\mathbf{v}]_{B'}$. That is,

$$3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = 6 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + 11 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Change of Basis

Example #3

Let, $B = \{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2\}$ be a **standard ordered basis** for R^2 .

Let B' be the ordered basis given by,

$$B' = \{\mathbf{v}'_1, \mathbf{v}'_2\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

a. Find the transition matrix from B to B' .

b. Let $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$, find $[\mathbf{v}]_{B'}$

Change of Basis

Example #3 – Solution:

a. The transition matrix from B to B' is computed by solving the equations

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad d_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + d_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

That is, we must solve the linear systems

$$\begin{cases} -c_1 + c_2 = 1 \\ c_1 + c_2 = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{cases} -d_1 + d_2 = 0 \\ d_1 + d_2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

The unique solutions are given by $c_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$, $c_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ and $d_1 = \frac{1}{2}$, $d_2 = \frac{1}{2}$. The transition matrix is then given by

$$[I]_B^{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Change of Basis

Example #3 – Solution (cont'd):

b.

$$[\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = [I]_B^{B'} [\mathbf{v}]_B$$

$$[\mathbf{v}]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{7}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise #7

i) Find the **transition matrix** between the ordered bases $B_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and $B_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

ii) Given, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, find $[\mathbf{v}]_{B_2}$

CHAPTER 3

General Vector Spaces

Part 4:

Row & Column Space, Rank & Nullity

Definition - Row Vector

For an $m \times n$ matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

the vectors

$$\mathbf{r}_1 = (a_{11} \quad a_{12} \quad \cdots \quad a_{1n})$$

$$\mathbf{r}_2 = (a_{21} \quad a_{22} \quad \cdots \quad a_{2n})$$

$$\vdots \quad \vdots \quad \quad \vdots$$

$$\mathbf{r}_m = (a_{m1} \quad a_{m2} \quad \cdots \quad a_{mn})$$

in R^n formed from the rows of A are called the *row vectors of A* .

Definition - Column Vector

and the vectors $\mathbf{c}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{c}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \mathbf{c}_m = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1m} \\ a_{2m} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mm} \end{pmatrix}$

in R^m formed from the columns of A are called the *column vectors of A* .

Example

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

The row vectors of A are:

$$r_1 = [2 \quad 1 \quad 0]; r_2 = [3 \quad -1 \quad 4]$$

The column vectors of A are:

$$c_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}; c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}; c_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Row, Column & Null Space

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

Row space of A	Subspace of R^n spanned by the row vectors of A .
Column space of A	Subspace of R^m spanned by the column vectors of A .
Nullspace of A	The solution space of the homogeneous system of equation $Ax = 0$, which is a subspace of R^n

Row, Column & Null Space

Example #3:

$$\text{Given, } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The **row space** of A :

$$\begin{aligned} & \{x^T | x^T = c_1(1,5,3) + c_2(2,6,2); c_1, c_2 \in R\} \\ & = \{x^T | x^T = (c_1 + 2c_2, 5c_1 + 6c_2, 3c_1 + 2c_2); c_1, c_2 \in R\} \end{aligned}$$

The **column space** of A :

$$\begin{aligned} & \{x | x = c_1(1,2)^T + c_2(5,6)^T + c_3(3,2)^T; c_1, c_2, c_3 \in R\} \\ & = \{x | x = (c_1 + 5c_2 + 3c_3, 2c_1 + 6c_2 + 2c_3); c_1, c_2, c_3 \in R\} \end{aligned}$$

Row, Column & Null Space

Example #3 (cont'd):

The **nullspace** of A : (we need to solve it using the linear system)

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

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{A} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 5 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 5 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & -4 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 5 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\therefore x_2 = -x_3; x_1 = 2x_3$$

$$\Rightarrow X = \begin{pmatrix} 2x_3 \\ -x_3 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = x_3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \{x | x = c(2, -1, 1)^T; c \in R\}$$

Basis for Row Space

Let A is a $m \times n$ matrix and matrix E is in row echelon form of A . Then the row vectors with the leading 1's (the nonzero row vector) of matrix E will form a basis for the row space of A .

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 4 & -2 & 5 & 4 \\ 2 & -6 & 9 & -1 & 8 & 2 \\ 2 & -6 & 9 & -1 & 9 & 7 \\ -1 & 3 & -4 & 2 & -5 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 4 & -2 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The basis vectors are:

$$r_1 = (1 \quad -3 \quad 4 \quad -2 \quad 5 \quad 4)$$

$$r_2 = (0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 3 \quad -2 \quad -6)$$

$$r_3 = (0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 5)$$

Refer: Module - Example 3.28 (page 108)

Basis for Column Space

Let A is a $m \times n$ matrix and E is in row echelon form of A . Then the column vectors with the leading 1's of the row vectors form a basis for the column space of E . Then, the *corresponding* column vector of A will form a basis for the column space of A .

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 4 & -2 & 5 & 4 \\ 2 & -6 & 9 & -1 & 8 & 2 \\ 2 & -6 & 9 & -1 & 9 & 7 \\ -1 & 3 & -4 & 2 & -5 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 4 & -2 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The column space are:

$$c_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, c_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 9 \\ 9 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, c_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \\ 9 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Refer: Module - Example 3.29 (page 108)

Dimension and Rank

- Dimension of the **row space** of A :
The number of non-zero rows in the echelon form of A (number of basis for row space).
- Dimension of the **column space** of A :
Number of leading 1's in the echelon form of A (number of basis for column space)

Also called the rank of A (**rank(A)**)

Dimension and Rank

Example #1:

Determine the rank and basis of the row space of the matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Dimension and Rank

Example #1 - Solution:

The reduced row-echelon form of A is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 9 \\ 0 & -8 & -16 \\ 0 & 8 & 16 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then rank of A equal to 2. The row space of A are spanned by,

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = [1 \quad 6 \quad 9], \mathbf{v}_2 = [0 \quad 1 \quad 2]$$

Dimension and Rank

Example #2:

$$\text{If } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 5 & -4 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ find}$$

- i) Basis for row space of matrix
- ii) Basis for column space of matrix
- iii) rank (A)

Solution – Refer Module - Example 3.31 (page 110)

Dimension and Rank

Example #2 - Solution:

The matrix $E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3/4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

i) Basis for row space of matrix A :

$$r_1 = (1 \ -1 \ 3 \ -2); r_2 = (0 \ 0 \ 1 \ -3/4)$$

ii) Basis for column space of matrix A :

$$c_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}; c_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

iii) $\text{rank}(A) = 2$

Solution – Refer Module - Example 3.31 (page 110)

Basis for Vector Space - Row

Suppose given a vector space V is spanned by a set of **row** vectors,

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = (v_{11}, v_{12}, \dots, v_{1n})$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = (v_{21}, v_{22}, \dots, v_{2n})$$

....

$$\mathbf{v}_m = (v_{m1}, v_{m2}, \dots, v_{mn})$$

Then, we can form a matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} v_{11} & v_{12} & \dots & v_{1n} \\ v_{21} & v_{22} & \dots & v_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ v_{m1} & v_{m2} & \dots & v_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Basis for Vector Space - Row

Example:

Find the dimension and a set of basis for row space vectors for the vector space V spanned by

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 2, 0, 2, 5), \mathbf{v}_2 = (-2, 5, 1, -1, 8),$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = (0, -3, 3, 4, 1), \mathbf{v}_4 = (3, 6, 0, -7, 2)$$

Refer: Module - Example 3.32 (page 111)

Basis for Vector Space - Row

Example - Solution:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 5 \\ -2 & -5 & 1 & -1 & -8 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 & -7 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \dots \Rightarrow E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore dimension of $V = 3$, the basis for the row space are:

$$r_1 = (1, 2, 0, 2, 5), r_2 = (0, 1, -1, -3, -2), r_3 = (0, 0, 0, 1, 1)$$

Note: $r_1 = (1, 2, 0, 2, 5), r_2 = (0, -1, 1, 3, 2), r_3 = (0, 0, 0, -5, -5)$ also a basis.

Refer: Module - Example 3.32 (page 111)

Basis for Vector Space - Row

Then we obtain the important rules as follows:

- The vector space V is the row space of A .
- Dimension of V equals to the dimension of row space of A and also equals to $\text{rank}(A)$.
- Basis for row space vectors of V equals to the nonzero row vector in the echelon form of A .

Basis for Vector Space - Column

Suppose given a vector space V is spanned by a set of **column** vectors

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{v}_1 &= (v_{11}, v_{21}, \dots, v_{m1})^T \\ \mathbf{v}_2 &= (v_{12}, v_{22}, \dots, v_{m2})^T \\ &\dots \\ \mathbf{v}_n &= (v_{1n}, v_{2n}, \dots, v_{mn})^T\end{aligned}$$

which are not necessarily linear independent.

Form a matrix A having vector $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ as a column vector:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} v_{11} & v_{21} & \dots & v_{1n} \\ v_{21} & v_{22} & \dots & v_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ v_{m1} & v_{m2} & \dots & v_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Basis for Vector Space - Column

Example:

Find the dimension and a set of basis vectors for the vector space V spanned by

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_5 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Refer: Module - Example 3.33 (page 112)

Basis for Vector Space- Column

Example - Solution:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \dots \Rightarrow E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore dimension of $V = 3$, the basis for the column space are:

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Refer: Module - Example 3.33 (page 112)

Basis for Vector Space - Column

The important rules obtained as follows.

- Dimension of V equals to the dimension of column space of A and also equals to $\text{rank}(A)$.
- Basis for vectors span by v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n equals to the corresponding column vector of A .

Nullity

Nullity of matrix A defined as the dimension of the nullspace of A .

Example:

Find a basis for the nullspace of the homogeneous system as follows.

$$2x_1 + 2x_2 - 3x_3 + x_5 = 0$$

$$-x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 - 3x_4 + x_5 = 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 - x_5 = 0$$

$$x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 0$$

Nullity

Example - Solution:

The nullspace of A is the solution space of the homogeneous system, $Ax = 0$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow E = \left[\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = s; x_5 = t; x_3 = -t; x_4 = 0; x_1 = -s - t$$

$$\therefore X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \left(s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Nullity

Example – Solution (cont'd):

The vectors \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 form the basis for nullspace of A :

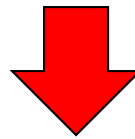
$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, the nullity of A is 2.

Dimension Theorem of Matrices

If A is a matrix with n columns, then

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



$$[\text{no. of leading variables}] + [\text{no. of free variables}] = n$$

Exercise #8

Find the rank and nullity of the following matrix.

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

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

Exercise #9

Given,

$$A = [\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \mathbf{v}_3 \quad \mathbf{v}_4 \quad \mathbf{v}_5] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 9 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- a) What is the rank of A
- b) Find the basis for the row space A
- c) Find the basis of the column space of A
- d) Find the basis of null space of A