

# MATH 230 - Lecture 9 (02/08/2011)

9.1

## Special cases of LI/LD vectors

② 2 vectors (seen in last lecture).

e.g.,  $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  are LD, as  $\vec{v}_2 = 3\vec{v}_1$ .

③ If the set of vectors  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$  contains the zero vector, then it is LD. (Theorem 9, Pg 69, DL-LAA).

Say,  $\vec{v}_1 = \vec{0}$  (zero vector). Then

$$c_1 \vec{v}_1 + 0 \cdot \vec{v}_2 + \dots + 0 \cdot \vec{v}_n = \vec{0} \quad \text{for } c_1 \neq 0. \text{ As such,}$$

$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is a non-trivial solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  with

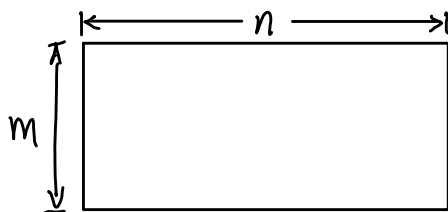
$$A = [\vec{v}_1 \ \vec{v}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{v}_n].$$

④  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$  with  $\vec{v}_j \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $n > m$  is LD.

If there are more vectors than the # entries in each of them, the set is LD. (Theorem 8, Pg 69, DL-LAA)

For  $A = [\bar{v}_1 \bar{v}_2 \dots \bar{v}_n]$ , for  $\bar{v}_j \in \mathbb{R}^m$  with  $m < n$ , the

matrix looks like



It must

have at least one free variable, as the max. # pivots it can have is  $m$ .

Prob 17, pg 71

Is the set of vectors LD? Justify.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\bar{v}_1 \quad \bar{v}_2 \quad \bar{v}_3$

This set of vectors is LD, as it contains the zero vector.

Note that  $\{\bar{v}_1\}$  as well as  $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_3\}$  here are LI.

$$\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_3\}: \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 \\ 5 & 5 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[R_2 + 5R_3]{R_1 + 3R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 25 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

No free variables. Hence  $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_3\}$  is LI.

But  $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2\}$  and  $\{\bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3\}$  are both LD, as  $\bar{v}_2 = \vec{0}$ .

But if a set  $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3\}$  is LI, then all its subsets (or subcollections of vectors) must be LI.

# Theorem 7 (DL-LAA page 68)

$S = \{\bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_n\}$  of 2 or more vectors ( $n \geq 2$ ) in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is LD if and only if one vector in  $S$  is a linear combination of the other vectors. In fact, if  $S$  is LD and  $\bar{v}_1 \neq \bar{0}$ , then some  $\bar{v}_j, j > 1$  is a linear combination of the preceding vectors  $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \dots, \bar{v}_{j-1}$ .

## Part of proof (Part 2)

$S = \{\bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_n\}$  is LD

iff  $\leftarrow$  (if and only if) or  $\Leftrightarrow$

$$c_1 \bar{v}_1 + \dots + c_n \bar{v}_n = \bar{0} \quad \text{for } \bar{c} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} \neq \bar{0} \quad (\text{at least one } c_j \neq 0)$$

Given that  $\bar{v}_1 \neq \bar{0}$ , we cannot have  $\bar{c} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  as a possible linear combination that gives the zero vector.

In general, we can have  $c_1 \neq 0, c_2 \neq 0, \dots, c_j \neq 0$ , and  $c_{j+1} = 0, c_{j+2} = 0, \dots, c_n = 0$  for a combination that works, for some  $j > 1$ .

$\rightarrow$  e.g.,  $\bar{v}_3 = c_1 \bar{v}_1 + c_2 \bar{v}_2$  or  
 $\bar{v}_5 = c_1 \bar{v}_1 + c_2 \bar{v}_2 + c_3 \bar{v}_3 + c_4 \bar{v}_4$ ,  
 etc.

We get  $\underbrace{c_1 \bar{v}_1}_{\neq 0} + \dots + \underbrace{c_j \bar{v}_j}_{\neq 0} + 0 \cdot \bar{v}_{j+1} + \dots + 0 \cdot \bar{v}_n = \bar{0}$

$$\Rightarrow c_j \bar{v}_j = -c_1 \bar{v}_1 - c_2 \bar{v}_2 - \dots - c_{j-1} \bar{v}_{j-1}$$

("implies")

As  $c_j \neq 0$ , dividing by  $c_j$  gives

$$\bar{v}_j = \left( \frac{-c_1}{c_j} \right) \bar{v}_1 + \left( \frac{-c_2}{c_j} \right) \bar{v}_2 - \dots + \left( \frac{-c_{j-1}}{c_j} \right) \bar{v}_{j-1}$$

Hence  $\bar{v}_j$  can be written as a combination of the vectors preceding it.

Prob 6, Pg 71

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

Are the columns of  $A$  LI?

Check if  $A\bar{x} = \bar{0}$  has non-trivial solutions or not.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \\ \textcircled{1} & 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[R_4 - 5R_3]{R_1 + 4R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & 12 \\ 0 & \textcircled{-1} & 4 \\ \textcircled{1} & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[R_4 + 4R_2]{R_1 - 3R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{-1} & 4 \\ \textcircled{1} & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{7} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[R_4 \rightarrow R_3]{R_3 \rightarrow R_1} \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & \textcircled{-1} & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Every column has a pivot, so no free variables. Hence the columns of  $A$  are LI.

Prob 36 Pg 72 True/False "with more justification".

If  $\bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_4$  are in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ , and  $\bar{v}_3$  is not a linear combination of  $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_4$ , then  $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4\}$  is LI.

The statement is false, as we could have  $\bar{v}_4$  being a linear combination of  $\bar{v}_1$  and  $\bar{v}_2$ . Or,  $\bar{v}_1$ , for instance, could be the zero vector.

If  $\bar{v}_4 = c_1 \bar{v}_1 + c_2 \bar{v}_2$ , then  $\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a non-trivial

solution to the system  $A\bar{x} = \bar{0}$ , where  $A = [\bar{v}_1 \ \bar{v}_2 \ \bar{v}_3 \ \bar{v}_4]$ .

$$\rightarrow c_1 \bar{v}_1 + c_2 \bar{v}_2 + 0 \bar{v}_3 - \bar{v}_4 = \bar{0}$$

Linear Transformation (Section 1.8)

"mappings"

$$A\bar{x} = \bar{b}$$

"Hit"  $\bar{x}$  with  $A$  to get  $\bar{b}$  } When  $\bar{x}$  is "input" to  $A$ ,  
 $A$  "maps"  $\bar{x}$  to  $\bar{b}$  }  $\bar{b}$  is returned.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -7 \\ -3 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\bar{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \times 3 + \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \times 1 + \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \times 0 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

