

P.215 (8TH ED.) OR P.226 (7TH ED.)

DEFINITION: A VECTOR  $\underline{w}$  IS CALLED A LINEAR COMBINATION OF THE VECTORS  $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n$  IF IT CAN BE EXPRESSED IN THE FORM

$$\underline{w} = k_1 \underline{v}_1 + k_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + k_n \underline{v}_n$$

WHERE  $k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n$  ARE SCALARS.

EXAMPLES:

① ANY VECTOR IN 3-DIMENSIONAL SPACE CAN BE EXPRESSED AS A LINEAR COMBINATION OF THE VECTORS  $\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2$  AND  $\underline{e}_3$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \underline{u} &= u_1 \underline{e}_1 + u_2 \underline{e}_2 + u_3 \underline{e}_3 \\ &= u_1 (1, 0, 0) + u_2 (0, 1, 0) + \\ &u_3 (0, 0, 1) = (u_1, u_2, u_3) \end{aligned}$$

② ANY POLYNOMIAL OF DEGREE  $n$  CAN BE WRITTEN AS A LINEAR COMBINATION OF THE FOLLOWING  $n+1$  ELEMENTS

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

$$P(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n$$

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③ ANY 2x2 MATRIX CAN BE WRITTEN AS A LINEAR COMBINATION OF

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ AND } \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

DEFINITION: (P. 222 8TH ED.) OR (P. 232 7TH ED.)

IF  $S = \{ \underline{v_1}, \underline{v_2}, \dots, \underline{v_r} \}$  IS A NONEMPTY SET OF VECTORS, THEN THE VECTOR EQUATION

$$k_1 \underline{v_1} + k_2 \underline{v_2} + \dots + k_r \underline{v_r} = \underline{0}$$

HAS ATLEAST ONE SOLUTION, NAMELY  $\underline{k_1 = k_2 = \dots = k_r = 0}$

IF THIS IS THE ONLY SOLUTION, THEN S IS CALLED A LINEARLY INDEPENDENT SET AND THE VECTORS IN SET S ARE CALLED LINEARLY INDEPENDENT VECTORS.

EXAMPLES: ① THE SET S GIVEN BY  $\{ \underline{e_1}, \underline{e_2}, \underline{e_3} \}$  IS LINEARLY INDEPENDENT AND THE VECTORS



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$e_1$ ,  $e_2$  AND  $e_3$  ARE LINEARLY INDEPENDENT VECTORS.

CHECK:

CONSIDER

$$k_1 \underline{e_1} + k_2 \underline{e_2} + k_3 \underline{e_3} = \underline{0} = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1(1, 0, 0) + k_2(0, 1, 0) + k_3(0, 0, 1) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow (k_1, k_2, k_3) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{k_1=0, k_2=0, k_3=0}$$

②  $S = \{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$  IS LINEARLY INDEPENDENT SINCE FOR

$$\boxed{a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n = 0} \text{--- (1)}$$

$\forall x$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{a_0 = a_1 = \dots = a_n = 0}$$

SINCE (1) IS SATISFIED BY INFINITE VALUES OF  $x$ ,

OTHERWISE (1) HAS AT MOST

$n$  DISTINCT ROOTS IF ALL OR SOME OF THE COEFFICIENTS  $\neq 0$ .

③  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
IS LINEARLY INDEPENDENT  
(CHECK)

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SOLUTION:

$$k_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + k_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + k_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + k_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \underline{0}$$
$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & k_2 \\ k_3 & k_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1 = k_2 = k_3 = k_4 = 0 \quad \therefore \boxed{S}$$

IS LINEARLY INDEPENDENT.

DEFINITION: P. 217 (8TH ED.) OR P. 228 7TH ED.

IF  $\underline{v_1}, \underline{v_2}, \dots, \underline{v_n}$  ARE VECTORS IN A VECTOR SPACE  $\boxed{V}$  AND IF EVERY VECTOR IN  $\boxed{V}$  IS EXPRESSIBLE AS A LINEAR COMBINATION OF THESE VECTORS, THEN WE SAY THAT  $\underline{v_1}, \underline{v_2}, \dots, \underline{v_n}$  SPAN  $\boxed{V}$ .

LET US CONSIDER SOME EXAMPLES.



EXAMPLES:

①  $\{\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2, \underline{e}_3\}$  SPANS  $\overset{\substack{\text{3 DIMENSIONAL} \\ \text{SPACE}}}{\mathbb{R}^3}$  SINCE  
 $(u_1, u_2, u_3) = \underline{u} = u_1 \underline{e}_1 + u_2 \underline{e}_2 + u_3 \underline{e}_3$

$\hookrightarrow \forall \underline{u} \in \mathbb{R}^3$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  FOR ALL

②  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$  SPANS  
THE VECTOR SPACE  $\boxed{P_n}$  SINCE  
EACH POLYNOMIAL  $\boxed{p(x)}$  IN  
 $\boxed{P_n}$  CAN BE WRITTEN AS

$$\boxed{p(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n}$$

③  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

SPAN  $\boxed{M_{22}}$  (ALL MATRICES  
OF ORDER 2) SINCE

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

$$\forall \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22}$$

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P.233 (8TH ED.) / P.244 (7TH ED.)

DEFINITION:

IF  $V$  IS ANY  
VECTOR SPACE AND  $S =$

$\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  IS A SET

OF VECTORS IN  $V$ , THEN

$S$  IS CALLED A BASIS

FOR  $V$  IF THE FOLLOWING

TWO CONDITIONS HOLD:

(a)  $S$  IS LINEARLY INDEPENDENT

(b)  $S$  SPANS  $V$

LET US CONSIDER SOME  
EXAMPLES OF SETS WHICH  
ARE BASES i.e. THEY ARE  
LINEARLY INDEPENDENT  
AS WELL AS SPAN DIFF-  
ERENT VECTOR SPACES.



## 7] EXAMPLES: (OF BASES)

BASES  $\rightarrow$  PLURAL OF BASIS

①  $\{\underline{e_1}, \underline{e_2}, \underline{e_3}\}$  IS A BASIS FOR  $\mathbb{R}^3$  BECAUSE IT'S LINEARLY INDEPENDENT AS WELL AS SPANS  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , SIMILARLY

②  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$  IS A BASIS FOR  $P_n$  AND

③  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  IS THE BASIS FOR  $M_{22}$ .

DIMENSION:  $\xrightarrow{P.239}$  P.239 (8th ED.)  
P.251  $\leftarrow$  P.251 (7th ED.)

THE DIMENSION OF A VECTOR SPACE  $V$  IS DEFINED TO BE THE NUMBER OF VECTORS IN A BASIS FOR  $V$ .

REMARKS: ① DIMENSION OF

$\mathbb{R}^3 = 3$  SINCE THERE ARE THREE VECTORS IN  $\{\underline{e_1}, \underline{e_2}, \underline{e_3}\}$

- 2] ② DIMENSION OF  $P_n = n+1$  [8]  
③ DIMENSION OF  $M_{22} = 4$

TRY THE FOLLOWING:

CHECK WHETHER

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

IS A BASIS FOR  $M_{22}$ ?

HINT: (i) FIRST CHECK THAT  
THE GIVEN MATRICES ARE  
LINEARLY INDEPENDENT

$$\text{PUT } a_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + a_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \\ a_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + a_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

AND SEE IF  $a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = 0$

(ii) TAKE AN ARBITRARY ELE-  
MENT OF  $M_{22}$  AS  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$

AND CHECK IF IT CAN BE  
WRITTEN AS A LINEAR COM-  
BINATION OF THE GIVEN  
MATRICES, FOR THIS



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$$= k_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + k_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + k_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$+ k_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ AND TRY TO FIND}$$

$k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4$  IN TERMS OF  $a, b, c$  AND  $d$ .

$$\left. \begin{matrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \\ k_3 \\ k_4 \end{matrix} \right\} \text{ UNKNOWNNS} \quad \left. \begin{matrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{matrix} \right\} \text{ KNOWNNS}$$

ANSWER: YES IT IS A BASIS

$$\therefore a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = 0 \text{ AND}$$

$$k_1 = \frac{b-a}{2}, \quad k_2 = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

$$k_3 = c, \quad k_4 = d$$

REMARK: A VECTOR SPACE MAY HAVE MORE THAN ONE BASIS. BUT IN ALL THE BASES (PLURAL) THE NUMBER OF ELEMENTS (VECTORS) ARE SAME. AS WE

SAW THAT

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[10]  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
AND  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
ARE BASES FOR  $M_{22}$  AND  
BOTH CONTAIN 4 VECTORS  
= DIMENSION OF  $M_{22}$ .

NOTE: ①  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  IS ALSO CALLED  
STANDARD BASIS FOR  
AND SIMILARLY

↓  
 $M_{22}$

$\{ \underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2, \underline{e}_3 \}$  AND  
 $\{ 1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n \}$  ARE  
STANDARD BASES FOR  $\mathbb{R}^3$   
AND  $P_n$  RESPECTIVELY.

②  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  IS A BASIS  
BUT NOT A STANDARD  
BASIS FOR  $M_{22}$ ,