

Lecture 8: Vector Spaces (part 2)

(book: 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5)

Today: basis, dimension, Nul, Col, Row.

A **basis** of a vector space V is a set $\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ of vectors in V such that:

- * $\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ is **lin indep.**
- * it **spans** the **whole vector space**.

Example: A basis for \mathbb{R}^3 , **standard basis** $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

But also $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. Why?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -6 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \sim \dots \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} * \text{pivot in every column} \\ \Rightarrow \text{lin indep.} \\ * \text{pivot in every row} \\ \Rightarrow \text{spans } \mathbb{R}^3. \end{array}$$

Example: The standard basis for P_2 : $\{1, x, x^2\}$

But a basis is also: $\{1+x^2, x-3x^2, 1+x-3x^2\}$ (later).

Two views of a basis B :

- * it is **maximal**: adding any vector $v \in V$ to B , makes it lin dep.
- * it is **minimal**: removing any vector v from B , causes B to no longer span V .

dim(V): # vectors in a basis of V .

$$\begin{array}{ll} \dim(\mathbb{R}^3) = 3 & \dim(\mathbb{R}^n) = n \\ \dim(P_n) = n+1. & \end{array}$$

Let $B = \{\underline{b}_1, \dots, \underline{b}_n\}$ be a basis for V .
 For every $\underline{x} \in V$ we can find weights $\underline{c}_1, \dots, \underline{c}_n$ such that
 $\underline{x} = c_1 \cdot \underline{b}_1 + \dots + c_n \cdot \underline{b}_n$
 coordinates of \underline{x} wrt basis B .

$$[\underline{x}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Note: this set of coordinates is unique.

Example: $B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

Consider $\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

What are the coordinates of \underline{x} wrt the basis B ?

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & -4 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -6 & 7 & 5 & 4 \end{array} \right] \sim \dots \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array} \right].$$

Matlab:
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$$[\underline{x}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: $B = \{1+x^2, x-3x^2, 1+x-3x^2\}$ is a basis for P_2 . (later).

Consider $p(x) = 6 + 3x - x^2$.

Find $[p]_B$.

$$6 + 3x - x^2 = c_1 \cdot (1+x^2) + c_2 \cdot (x-3x^2) + c_3 \cdot (1+x-3x^2).$$

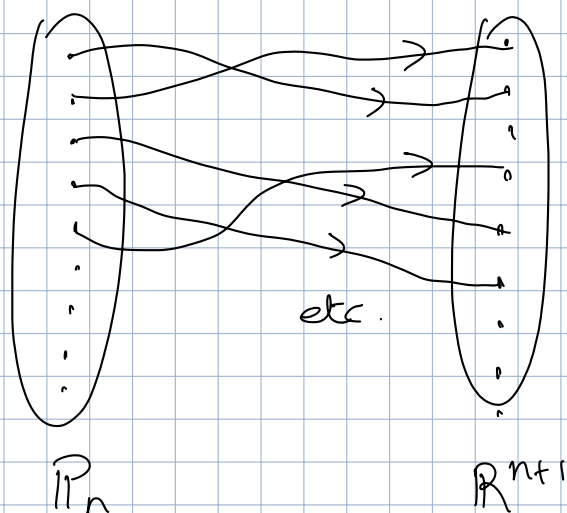
$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_3 = 6 \\ c_2 + c_3 = 3 \\ c_1 - 3c_2 - 3c_3 = -1 \end{cases} \quad \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -3 & -3 & -1 \end{array} \right] \sim \dots \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array} \right].$$

So, $[p]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$. Check: $p(x) = 0(1+x^2) + 5(x-3x^2) + (-2)(1+x-3x^2)$. ✓

Theorem: Let $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ be a basis for V . Then, the linear transformation $T: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ defined by $T(x) = [x]_B$ is a **bijection**.

Proof: See the book (Theorem 9).

Hence, the vectors can be **abstract** objects, but using the **coordinates** we can translate them to **real numbers**.



bijection.

Example: Show that $\{1+x^2, x-3x^2, 1+x-3x^2\}$ forms a basis for \mathcal{P}_2 .

The coordinate mapping of the **standard basis** $\{1, x, x^2\}$ produces the **coordinate vectors** $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$.

Do these vectors form a basis in \mathbb{R}^3 ? Yes.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \dots \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So, $\{1+x^2, x-3x^2, 1+x-3x^2\}$ forms a basis for \mathcal{P}_2 .

Three important subspaces associated with an $m \times n$ matrix A .

- * $\text{Nul}(A)$
- * $\text{Col}(A)$
- * $\text{Row}(A)$

Recall from Monday: $\text{Nul}(A) = \{\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : A\underline{x} = \underline{0}\}$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

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

$$\underline{x} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Nul}(A) = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Note: * # vectors in the spanning set = # free variables.
* The vectors in the spanning set are always lin indep.

$$\text{Basis for Nul}(A): \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad \dim(\text{Nul}(A)) = 2$$

So, in general:

- * $\dim(\text{Nul}(A)) = \# \text{ free vars.}$
- * The vectors from parametric vector form form a basis for $\text{Nul}(A)$.

$\text{Col}(A) = \text{Span}\{\underline{a}_1, \dots, \underline{a}_n\}$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^m

How to find a basis for $\text{Col}(A)$?

Intermezzo.

The Spanning Set Theorem:

Let $v_1, \dots, v_p \in V$ and let $M = \text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$.

* If v_k is a lin comb. of the other vectors, then $\{v_1, \dots, v_p\} \setminus \{v_k\}$ still spans M .

* If $M \neq \{0\}$, some subset of $\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ spans M .

* 1st strategy: **keep deleting** columns if they are dependent on others.

The columns that you end up with form a **basis** for $\text{Col}(A)$.

Easy when in **reduced echelon form**.

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \underline{b}_2 = 3 \cdot \underline{b}_1 \\ \underline{b}_4 = -1 \cdot \underline{b}_1 - 2 \cdot \underline{b}_3 \end{array} \right\} \text{Remove } \underline{b}_2 \text{ and } \underline{b}_4.$$

So, $\{\underline{b}_1, \underline{b}_3\}$ forms a basis and $\dim(\text{Col}(B)) = 2$. True in general.
↪ pivot columns.

Intermezzo.

Linear dependence relations between columns do **not** change under row operations.

If $A \sim B$, then $A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$ and $B\underline{x} = \underline{0}$ have the same set of solutions.

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

$$\text{So, we also have } \begin{array}{l} \underline{a}_2 = 3 \cdot \underline{a}_1 \\ \underline{a}_4 = -1 \cdot \underline{a}_1 - 2 \cdot \underline{a}_3 \end{array}$$

So, $\{\underline{a}_1, \underline{a}_3\}$ forms a basis for $\text{Col}(A)$. and $\dim(\text{Col}(A)) = 2$

* 2nd strategy: the **pivot columns** of A form a basis for $\text{Col}(A)$.
Hence, $\dim(\text{Col}(A)) = \# \text{pivot cols.}$
be careful! of A ? Not of REF!

$\text{Row}(A) = \text{Span}\{r_1, \dots, r_m\}$
is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

$$\text{Row}(A) = \text{Col}(A^T).$$

Note: $A \sim B \Rightarrow \text{Row}(A) = \text{Row}(B)$.

(Warning $\text{Col}(A) \neq \text{Col}(B)$).

Idea: $A \sim B$

\Rightarrow rows of B are a lin comb. of the rows of A .

\Rightarrow any lin comb of the rows of B are also a lin comb of the rows of A .

$\Rightarrow \text{Row}(B) \subseteq \text{Row}(A)$.

$A \sim B \Rightarrow B \sim A \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \text{Row}(A) \subseteq \text{Row}(B)$.

So, $\text{Row}(A) = \text{Row}(B)$.

If B is RREF, then the nonzero rows of B are lin indep and thus form a basis for both $\text{Row}(B)$ and $\text{Row}(A)$.

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, $\dim(\text{Row}(A)) = \# \text{pivot rows}$.

$$\text{Rank}(A) = \dim(\text{Col}(A)) = \# \text{pivot cols} = \# \text{pivots} = \# \text{pivot rows} = \dim(\text{Row}(A))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow &= n - \# \text{nonpivot cols} \\ &= n - \# \text{free variables} \\ &= n - \dim(\text{Nul}(A)) \end{aligned}$$

Recall a linear transformation $T: \underline{x} \rightarrow A\underline{x}$ $A: m \times n$
domain: \mathbb{R}^n
codomain: \mathbb{R}^m .

$$\ast \text{Range} = \{T(\underline{x}) : \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\} = \{A\underline{x} : \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\} = \text{Col}(A)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } T \text{ is surjective} &\Leftrightarrow \text{range} = \text{codomain} \Leftrightarrow \text{Col}(A) = \mathbb{R}^m \\ &\Leftrightarrow \dim(\text{Col}(A)) = m \Leftrightarrow \text{Rank}(A) = m \end{aligned}$$

$$\ast \text{Kernel} = \{\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : T(\underline{x}) = \underline{0}\} = \{\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : A\underline{x} = \underline{0}\} = \text{Nul}(A).$$

So T is injective $\Leftrightarrow T(\underline{x}) = \underline{0}$ has only the trivial sol.

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Kernel} = \{\underline{0}\} \Leftrightarrow \text{Nul}(A) = \{\underline{0}\} \Leftrightarrow \dim(\text{Nul}(A)) = 0.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Rank}(A) = n$$

Summary (so far):

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix with columns a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n .

$$m \geq n: \begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix}$$

The following statements are equivalent:

- ① A has a pivot in every column
- ② A has n pivot positions
- ③ There are no free variables
- ④ $A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$ has only the trivial sol.
- ⑤ $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ is linearly indep.
- ⑥ $T: \underline{x} \mapsto A\underline{x}$ is one-to-one/
injective
- ⑦ $\text{Nul } A = \{\underline{0}\}$
- ⑧ $\dim \text{Nul } A = 0$
- ⑨ $\text{rank } A = n$

$$m \leq n: \begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix}$$

The following statements are equivalent:

- Ⓐ A has a pivot in every row.
- Ⓑ A has m pivot positions.
- Ⓒ The echelon form of A does not contain a row of all zeros.
- Ⓓ $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ is consistent for every \underline{b} in \mathbb{R}^m .
- Ⓔ $\text{Span}\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} = \mathbb{R}^m$.
- Ⓕ $T: \underline{x} \mapsto A\underline{x}$ is onto/surjective.
- Ⓖ $\text{Col } A = \mathbb{R}^m$
- Ⓗ $\dim \text{Col } A = m$
- Ⓘ $\text{rank } A = m$

If A is square ($n=m$), then statements ② and ⑥ are equivalent.
Hence, the following statements are equivalent for square matrices.

* ① - ⑨, Ⓐ - Ⓘ

* A is invertible

* There is a matrix C such that $CA = I_n$ and $AC = I_n$

* A is row equivalent to I_n .

* A^T is invertible.

* $\det A \neq 0$

* The columns of A form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

A : $m \times n$ matrix.

	definition	subspace of	equal to $\mathbb{R}^n / \mathbb{R}^m / \mathbb{R}^n$ if	equal to $\{0\}$ if
Nul A	$\{\underline{x} : A\underline{x} = \underline{0}\}$	\mathbb{R}^n	A is the zero matrix	A has a pivot in every column
Col A	$\text{Span}\{\underline{a}_1, \dots, \underline{a}_n\}$	\mathbb{R}^m	A has a pivot in every row	A is the zero matrix
Row A	$\text{Span}\{\underline{r}_1, \dots, \underline{r}_m\}$	\mathbb{R}^n	A^T has a pivot in every row	A is the zero matrix

	dimension	
Nul A	# free var's in the equation $A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$	= # nonpivot columns in A = $n - \text{rank } A$
Col A	# pivot columns in A .	= # pivot columns in A = $\text{rank } A$
Row A	# non-zero rows in the echelon form of A	= # pivot columns in A = $\text{rank } A$

	finding a basis
Nul A	Find the general sol. of $A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$. Write the solution in parametric vector form where the weights are the free var's. The corresponding vectors form a basis for Nul A .
Col A	The pivot columns of A (so, of A itself, and thus <u>not</u> the pivot columns of a reduced form of A).
Row A	The nonzero rows of an echelon form of A .