

4.3 Linear Independent Set; bases

Def: V vector space, $\{v_1, \dots, v_p\} \subseteq V$ is linearly independent if the equation $c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_p v_p = 0$ has only the trivial solution $c_1 = \dots = c_p = 0$.
and linearly dependent if there exist $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_p \in \mathbb{R}$, not all zeros, s.t. $c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_p v_p = 0$.

Ex 1) $V = \mathbb{P}_1 = \{a + bt \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$

$p_1(t) = 1+t, p_2(t) = 1-t, p_3(t) = 3+t$

$2p_1 + p_2 - p_3 = 0 \Rightarrow \{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$ linear dep.

2) $V = C[0,1] = \{f: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ continuous}\} \Rightarrow \{\sin t, \cos t, t+1\}$ is lin indep.

Soln: Let us take $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $c_1 \cos t + c_2 \sin t + c_3 (t+1) = 0$ for all $t \in [0,1]$.

The goal is to prove $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$.

$t=0 \Rightarrow c_1 + c_3 = 0$

$t = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow c_2 + c_3(\frac{\pi}{2} + 1) = 0$

$t = \pi \Rightarrow -c_1 + c_3(7\pi + 1) = 0$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} c_1 + c_3 = 0 \\ c_2 + c_3(\frac{\pi}{2} + 1) = 0 \\ -c_1 + c_3(7\pi + 1) = 0 \end{array} \right\} c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$

Thus $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0 \Rightarrow \{\sin t, \cos t, t+1\}$ is lin indep.

Def: Let H be a subspace of vector space V . A subset $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\} \subseteq V$ is a basis for H if
(1) B is lin. indep.
(2) $\text{span } B = H$. i.e. $\{ \sum a_i b_i \mid a_i \in \mathbb{R} \} = H$

Remark: $B \subset H$.

Ex 1) $e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \dots e_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

($x \in \mathbb{R}^n, x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = x_1 e_1 + \dots + x_n e_n \in \text{Span}\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$).

2) $A \text{ nxn}, A = [a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_n] \Rightarrow \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ is a basis for $\mathbb{R}^n \Leftrightarrow A$ is invertible.

Sol The mtrix inv. thm.

A is invertible $\Leftrightarrow \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ is l.n. indep $\Leftrightarrow \text{Span}\{a_1, \dots, a_n\} = \mathbb{R}^n$
 $\Rightarrow A$ invertible $\Leftrightarrow \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ is a basis.

ii) $A = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A$ is invertible iff $\{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

3) $\mathbb{P}_n = \{a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_n t^n \mid a_0, \dots, a_n\}$

$\{1, t, t^2, \dots, t^n\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{P}^n .

4. $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, H = \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$

Find a basis for H

Sol $\vec{v}_3 = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 \Rightarrow \vec{v}_3 \in \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\} \Rightarrow H = \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$

But $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$ is l.n.c. indep.

$\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$ is a basis for H .

Thm (The spanning set thm).

Let $S = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$ subset in $V, H = \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$

a) if $\vec{v}_k \in \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_{k-1}, \vec{v}_{k+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$, then $H = \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_{k-1}, \vec{v}_{k+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$

b) if $H \neq \{0\}$ then some subset of S is a basis for H .

Proof a) suppose $k=p$.

$\vec{v}_p \in \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_{p-1}\} \Rightarrow \exists c_1, \dots, c_{p-1} \text{ s.t. } \vec{v}_p = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_{p-1} \vec{v}_{p-1}$

Take $x \in H \Rightarrow \exists a_1, \dots, a_p \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t.
 $x = a_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + a_p \vec{v}_p$

$= (a_1 + c_1 a_p) \vec{v}_1 + \dots + a_{p-1} \vec{v}_{p-1} \Rightarrow x \in \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_{p-1}\}$

b) If S is not linearly independent, then $\exists v_k \in \text{Span}\{S \setminus \{v_k\}\}$

$$\Rightarrow H = \text{Span}(S \setminus \{v_k\})$$

if $S \setminus \{v_k\}$ is lin indep $\Rightarrow S \setminus \{v_k\}$ is a basis.
if not, repeat.

Bases for $\text{Nul} A$ and $\text{Col} A$ (A $m \times n$).

Case : The matrix is in echelon form

$$B = [b_1 \ b_2 \ b_3 \ b_4 \ b_5] = \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{-1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

b_1, b_3, b_5 is lin ind.

$b_2, b_4 \in \text{Span}\{b_1, b_3, b_5\} \Rightarrow \text{Span}\{b_1, b_3, b_5\} = \text{Span}\{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5\}$
 $\Rightarrow \{b_1, b_3, b_5\}$ is a basis for $\text{Col}(B)$ $= \text{Col}(B)$.

$$\text{Col}(B) = \text{Span}\{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5\}$$

Remark : 1) The pivot col is lin indep.

2) Each non-pivot column can be generated by the pivot cols.

$$\text{Nul}(B) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^5 \mid Bx = 0\}.$$

$$Bx = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 + 7x_4 + 0x_5 = 0 & x_1 = -2x_2 - 7x_4 \\ x_3 + 3x_4 = 0 & 3x_3 = -3x_4 \\ 0x_5 = 0 & x_5 = 0 \end{cases}$$

x_2, x_4 free

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2x_2 - 7x_4 \\ x_2 \\ -3x_4 \\ x_4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Nul } B = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{But } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is lin indep} \Rightarrow \{u, v\} \text{ is a base for Nul } B.$$

Remark: 1. The vectors found with the weight, the free variables, span Nul(B).
2. is lin indep.

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_5 \end{bmatrix}, v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} u_1 = 1, v_1 = 0 \\ u_1 = 0, v_1 = 1 \end{matrix}$$

Case 2 - general case

$$\text{Prop 14} \quad A \sim B, \quad A, B \text{ } m \times n. \Rightarrow Ax = 0 \text{ iff } Bx = 0$$

$$\text{If } A = [a_1 \dots a_n], B = [b_1 \dots b_n], \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 a_1 + \dots + x_n a_n = 0 \iff x_1 b_1 + \dots + x_n b_n = 0.$$

Thus, $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ is lin dep. iff

① $\{b_{i_1}, \dots, b_{i_r}\}$ is lin dep, where $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r$. $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ is lin dep iff

$\{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ is lin dep.

② $a_i \in \text{Span} \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r\}$ iff $b_i \in \text{Span} \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_r\}$.

Take A general matrix, $A \sim B$, B echelon form.

Remarks $\Rightarrow \text{Nul } A = \text{Nul } B \Rightarrow$ the basis formed for Nul B is good for Nul A.

For Col A = Thm 6 = The pivot col of A form a basis for Col A.

For simplicity, suppose $\{b_1, b_2, b_3\}$ are the pivot columns of B.

By Case, $\{b_1, b_2, b_3\}$ is a basis for Col B.

Remark ① + ② \Rightarrow yet $\{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$ is a basis for Col A.

$$\text{Ex. } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Col}(A) = \text{span}(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix})$$

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

$$\text{Col}(B) = \text{span}(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix})$$

use the pivot cols of A not B.

4.5 The Dimension of Vector Space.

Thm 9 $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ basis for a vector space $V \Rightarrow S$ is indep.
 $S = \{u_1, \dots, u_p\} \in V, p > n$

(The general case Thm 8, Ch. 1) \mathbb{R}^n

Proof: $u_i \in V = \text{Span } B \Rightarrow \exists a_{i1}, a_{i2}, \dots, a_{in}$ s.t. $u_i = a_{i1}b_1 + a_{i2}b_2 + \dots + a_{in}b_n$

$$u_1 \in V \dots u_2 = a_{12}b_1 + a_{22}b_2 + \dots + a_{n2}b_n$$

$$u_p \in V \dots u_p = a_{1p}b_1 + a_{2p}b_2 + \dots + a_{np}b_n$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{np} \end{bmatrix} n \times p \Rightarrow AX = 0 \text{ has a nontrivial solution}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_p \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow c_1 u_1 + \dots + c_p u_p = 0 \Rightarrow \{u_1, \dots, u_p\} \text{ is linearly dep.}$$

Thm 10: Let B_1 and B_2 be two bases for a vector space $V \Rightarrow B_1$ and B_2 have the same number of elements.

$$\text{Pf: } \# B_1 = n$$

$$\# B_2 = m$$

Suppose $n < m$. Suppose $n < m$.

B_1 is a basis for V } \Rightarrow B_2 is lin dep $\Rightarrow \times$
 $\# B_2 = m > n$

Def. 1) Let V be a vector space. V is finite dimensional if it's spanned by a finite set, otherwise V is infinite dimensional.
 2) If $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ is a basis for a finite dimensional vector space V , then $\dim V = n$, the dim of V .

Remark: Because of Th 10, $\dim V$ is well defined $\dim \{0\} = 0$.

Ex 1) $\dim \mathbb{R}^n = n$.
 2) $\dim P_n = n+1$ ($\{1, t, t^2, \dots, t^n\}$ is a basis for P_n)
 3) $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \dim(\text{span}\{v_1, v_2\}) = 2, \in \mathbb{R}^3$
 4) $P_\infty = \{ \text{polynomials of degree max } 1 \text{ in the variables } x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots \}$
 $x_1 + 1 \in P_\infty$
 $x_2 - x_1 + x_1 x_2 \in P_\infty$

4) $P = \{ a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_n t^n \mid n \geq 0, a_0, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R} \}$
EXERCISE prove P is infinite dimensional.

Thm 11. Let H be a subspace of a fin dim vector space V .

\Rightarrow i) any lin indep. set in H can be extended to be a basis in V .
 ii) $\dim H \leq \dim V$

Proof: If $H = \{0\} \subset V$.

Suppose $H \neq \{0\}$.

i) Let us consider a lin. ind. set S in H .

If $\text{span } S = H \Rightarrow S$ is a basis for H .

If not take $u_2 \in H$.

$u_1 \notin \text{span } S$.

$S_1 = S \cup \{u_1\}$ EXERCISE S_1 is lin ind.

If $\text{span } S_1 = H \Rightarrow V$.

ii) Take B to be a basis for $H \Rightarrow B$ is lin independent in V .
By i), extend B to $B \cup B_\perp$ to be a basis in V :

$$B \subset B_\perp \Rightarrow \dim H \leq \dim V.$$

Exr (use thm 9 to give a 2nd proof for ii)

Thm 12 V vector space, $\dim V = p < \infty$ $S \subset V$ is a subspace.

1) if S is linearly indep, then S is a basis.

2) if $\text{span } S = V$, then S is a basis.

Proof: ① S is lin indep in V Thm 11 $H = V$ $\exists S_1 \subset V$ s.t. $S_1 \supset S$ & S_1 is a basis.
 $\Rightarrow \# S_1 = p$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \# S = p \\ S \subset S_1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow S = S_1 \text{ which is a basis}$$

② $\text{span } S = V$ The span set thm $\Rightarrow \exists S_0 \subset S$ s.t. S_0 is a basis for V .

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \dim V = p \\ S \text{ is a basis} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \# S_0 = p \text{ for } V.$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \# S_0 = p \\ \# S = p \\ S_0 \subset S \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow S_0 = S \text{ is a basis for } V.$$

The dim of $\text{Nul } A$ and $\text{col } A$.

Proposition $A \text{ } m \times n \Rightarrow \dim \text{Nul } A = \# \text{ free variables}$
 $\dim \text{col } A = \# \text{ basic variables (pivot cols)}$

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

$$\dim \text{Nul } A = 1$$

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dim \text{col } A = 3,$$