

1 Suppose  $C$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix and there is some  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $C\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has infinitely many solutions. Do the columns of  $C$  span all of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ? Justify your answer.

$C = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_1 & \vec{a}_2 \end{bmatrix}$  is a linear combination of vectors  $\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n$  is a vector of the form  $C_1\vec{a}_1 + \dots + C_n\vec{a}_n$  where  $C_1, \dots, C_n$  are real numbers.

$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_1 & \vec{a}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_1 & \vec{a}_2 \end{bmatrix}$  where  $\vec{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ c \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\vec{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ d \end{bmatrix}$ .

Infinitely many solns  $\Rightarrow$  free variable.

$\text{Span}\{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n\}$  is the set of all linear combos of  $\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n$ .

$\text{Span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} a \\ c \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b \\ d \end{bmatrix}\right\} = \mathbb{R}^2$ ? No, by Thm 4.

Thm 4:  $A$  an  $m \times n$ .

TFAE:

a)  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has a solution for all  $\vec{b}$   
 b)  $\text{Col}(A) = \mathbb{R}^m$

- b) Each  $b$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  is a linear combination of cols of  $A$ .  
 c) Cols of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .  
 d)  $A$  has a pivot position in every row.

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- (a) Let  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{a}_n]$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Using the definition of matrix-vector multiplication, prove that

$$A(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = A\mathbf{u} + A\mathbf{v}.$$

- (b) Suppose  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are both solutions to the matrix-vector equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ . Show that  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$  is also a solution.

a)

$$A = [\vec{a}_1 \ \dots \ \vec{a}_n]$$

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = [\vec{a}_1 \ \dots \ \vec{a}_n] \left( \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= [\vec{a}_1 \ \dots \ \vec{a}_n] \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n + v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= (u_1 + v_1)\vec{a}_1 + (u_2 + v_2)\vec{a}_2 + \dots + (u_n + v_n)\vec{a}_n$$

$$= u_1\vec{a}_1 + v_1\vec{a}_1 + u_2\vec{a}_2 + v_2\vec{a}_2 + \dots + u_n\vec{a}_n + v_n\vec{a}_n$$

$$= (u_1\vec{a}_1 + u_2\vec{a}_2 + \dots + u_n\vec{a}_n) + (v_1\vec{a}_1 + \dots + v_n\vec{a}_n)$$

$$= [\vec{a}_1 \ \dots \ \vec{a}_n] \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} + [\vec{a}_1 \ \dots \ \vec{a}_n] \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= [u_1 \dots u_n] [\vec{u}_n] + [u_1 \dots u_n] [\vec{v}_n] \\ = A\vec{u} + A\vec{v}.$$

3 Let

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

and let  $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Check that  $\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ .

(b) Check that  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  is also a solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ .

(c) Is  $\vec{u} + \vec{v}$  a solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ ?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } A\vec{u} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{b} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } A\vec{v} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - 1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{b} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{c) } A(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq \vec{0}$$

With the least amount of work possible, decide which of the following sets of vectors are linearly independent, and give a reason for each answer.

(a)

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(b) The columns of

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 7 & 8 & 0 \\ 9 & 8 & 7 & 6 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

5 cols, 4 rows  
 $\Rightarrow$  lin dep  
 by Thm 8.

(c)

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

lin dep. by Thm 9.

$$0 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{0}$$

(d)

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad x_1 = 0$$

we say  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$  is linearly independent if the equation

$$x_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{v}_n = \vec{0}$$

$$8x_1 = 0$$

$$2x_1 = 0$$

$$x_1 = 0$$

$$4x_1 = 0$$

has only the trivial sol'n  $[x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, \dots, x_n = 0]$ .

otherwise, linearly dependent, and call

$$c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_n \vec{v}_n = \vec{0}$$

a linear dependence relation.

Thm 8:

If  $p > n$ ,  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$   
is linearly dependent.

Thm 9:

Any set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that contains  
 $\vec{0}$  is linearly dependent.

(a)

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$\vec{u}, \vec{v}$

$$c_1 \vec{u} + c_2 \vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

If  $c_1 \neq 0$ ,

$$\vec{u} + \left( \frac{c_2}{c_1} \right) \vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

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$$u = \left(-\frac{c_1}{c_2}\right)v$$

If  $c_2 \neq 0$ ,

$$\vec{v} = \left(-\frac{c_1}{c_2}\right)\vec{u}.$$

So  $\{\vec{u}, \vec{v}\}$  is linearly dependent if and only if one vector is a multiple of the other.

Q: is there  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$$\vec{u} = c\vec{v}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = c \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} ?$$

$$c = 1/3 ?$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 4/3 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

so there is no  $c$  that works  
 $\Rightarrow$  linearly independent.