

Subspaces of Three Dimensional Space - Recitation

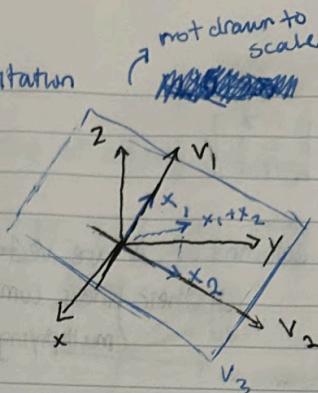
$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Find $V_1 = \text{subspace generated by } x_1$,

$V_2 = \text{subspace generated by } x_2$

Describe $V_1 \cap V_2$

generated = the smallest subspace that contains $x_1 \rightarrow V_1$, same with V_2



$V_1 = \text{line}$, $V_2 = \text{line} \rightarrow \text{can only multiply with scalars}$
 $V_1 \cap V_2 \rightarrow$ is at $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ maybe just \Sigma 0^2 is good because of the zeroes in x_1 & x_2
 they should never intersect elsewhere

2. Find $V_3 = \text{subspace generated by } \{x_1, x_2\}$

Is V_3 equal to $V_1 \cup V_2$?

Find a subspace S of V_3 such that $x_1 \notin S$, $x_2 \notin S$

Let's say $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ linear combination not on original line

$$\boxed{V_3 \neq V_1 \cup V_2}$$

$$\boxed{x_1 + x_2 = S}$$

$V_3 = \text{the entire plane formed by } x_1, x_2$

choice is not unique, this isn't the only answer

S of V_3 must mean it's in V_3

\hookrightarrow need to draw 3rd line (s) on same

paper that isn't x_1 or x_2

3. What is $V_3 \cap \{\text{xy plane}\}$?

It is just V_2 because the intersection between V_3 and XY plane is just when $z=0$ (2-component = 0)

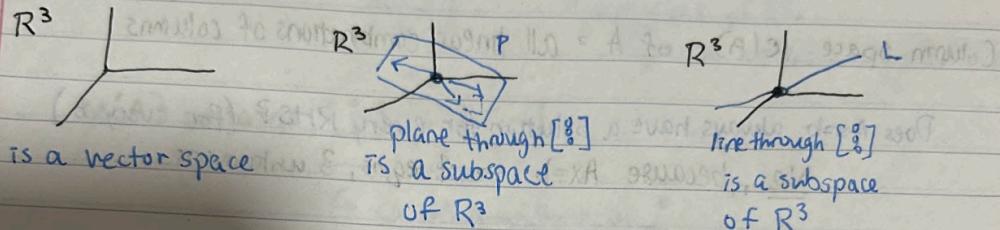
which is just the subspace generated by x_2

Column Space and Nullspace - Lecture 6

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Vector Space Requirements

- ↳ $v+w$ and $c \cdot v$ are in the space
- ↳ all combinations $cv + dw$ are in the space



2 subspaces : P and L

$P \cup L =$ all vectors in P or L

↳ Is this a subspace? No, because $v+w$ is not in the space

$P \cap L =$ all vectors in both P and L

↳ Is this a subspace? Yes, the only common vector is $[0]$

General Question

Subspaces S and T

intersection $S \cap T$ IS a subspace

Column Space of A

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 , we're in 4-dimensional space
Subspace of \mathbb{R}^4

Column Space $C(A)$ of A = all linear combinations of columns

Does $Ax=b$ always have a solution for every RHS? (for every b)

No, because $Ax=b \rightarrow 4 \text{ eqns, 3 unknowns}$

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

can't always do it
Combinations of columns cannot fill 4D space

So which vectors b, allow this system to be solved?

→ If b_1 to b_4 are all 0's ($Ax=0$)

→ Solve for columns (solution for col 1 = $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$)

$$\text{col 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{col 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

→ Can solve for $Ax=b$ exactly when the RHS b is in the column space
a vector

[I can solve $Ax=b$ exactly when b is in $C(A)$]

Are all the columns needed for A? Which ones are not needed?

Col 3 is not needed because adding col 1 + 2 = col 3

We don't get anything more from col 3

Col 1 and 2 are pivot columns, col 3 is not

But in all honesty, we can remove col 1 as well

The column space of this matrix is 2D subspace of \mathbb{R}^4

The Null Space

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ b \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

$N(A)$ contains all solutions
Null space of A = contains all solutions

$$\hookrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ to $Ax = 0$
subspace of \mathbb{R}^3

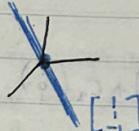
$N(A)$ contains $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

because we have 3-x components

so it's a multiple of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$N(A)$ contains $c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ which includes the zero vector

\hookrightarrow The Nullspace is a line in \mathbb{R}^3



How do we know that nullspace is a vector space?

Check that the solutions to $Ax=0$ always give a subspace

In order to use Space
If $Ax=0$ and $Ax^*=0$

then $A(12v)=0$ (if $Av=0$ and $Aw=0$)

the multiples will $\hookrightarrow A(v+w)=0$

also be 0 $\hookrightarrow Av+Aw=0$

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Two natural ways to tell what's in subspace

give a few vectors and fill it, or system of eqns that x has to satisfy

$$\text{Solutions} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is not a subspace because doesn't go through origin
 $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is not a solution

It's like a line or plane that doesn't go through origin

Subspaces must go through origin

Vector Subspaces (Recitation)

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Which are subspaces of $\mathbb{R}^3 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

1) $b_1 + b_2 - b_3 = 0$

2) $b_1, b_2, b_3 = 0$

This is a subspace because the zero vector holds true, the shape of this should be a plane that passes through the origin.

This is not a subspace because even though the zero vector holds true, scalar multiplication proves this equation as false.

ex. $b_1 = 1, b_2 = 1$

$1(1) - 1 = 0 \rightarrow 2(2) - 2 \neq 0$

3) $\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

4) $\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Solving for 0 vector,

$0 = 1 + c_1 + c_2$

$0 = 0 + 0 + 0$

$0 = 0 - c_1 + c_2$

$\Rightarrow c_1 = -0.5, c_2 = -0.5$

This means that this is a subspace because the origin included

$b_2 \Rightarrow 0 = 1 + c_1 + c_2(0)$

$0 = 1 + 0 + 0$

This doesn't work, so there is no solution for $b_2 = 0$ which means this doesn't pass the origin. This is not a subspace.

Subspace Checklist

↳ Zero Vector Test

↳ Linearity Test

↳ Does the vector in parametric form shift from origin?

Lecture #7

Solving $AX=0$: Pivot Variables, Special Solutions

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 8 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

by elimination

At first looks col 2 is multiple of col 1
and row 1+2 = row 3

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 8 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = U$$

(not quite upper Δ)

upper echelon?

Amount of pivots in $A = 2 \Rightarrow \text{rank of } A = 2$

rank of $A = \text{number of pivots} = 2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = U$$

↑↑↑↑
2 pivot columns

2 free columns

You can assign any variable to x_2 and x_4 ,
2nd and 4th column to solve for the
other 2 variables. Hence free column.

of Free Variables = $n - r$

The 2 eqns : $x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 + 2x_4 = 0$
 $2x_3 + 4x_4 = 0$

Let's say $x = \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \\ ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix}$ ($x_2 = 1, x_4 = 0$ since we are free)

Then the x_1 and x_3 that solve the 2 eqns are $x_1 = -2, x_3 = 0$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{a vector in the nullspace}$$

↳ To get more just get multiples of this one

But this is just one iteration of free variables

Let's say $x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix}$ ($x_2 = 0, x_4 = 1$) $\Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ ? \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

algo : $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

So the solution $ux=0$ is all the combinations of special solutions : $x = c \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ ? \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$