

Chapter 3

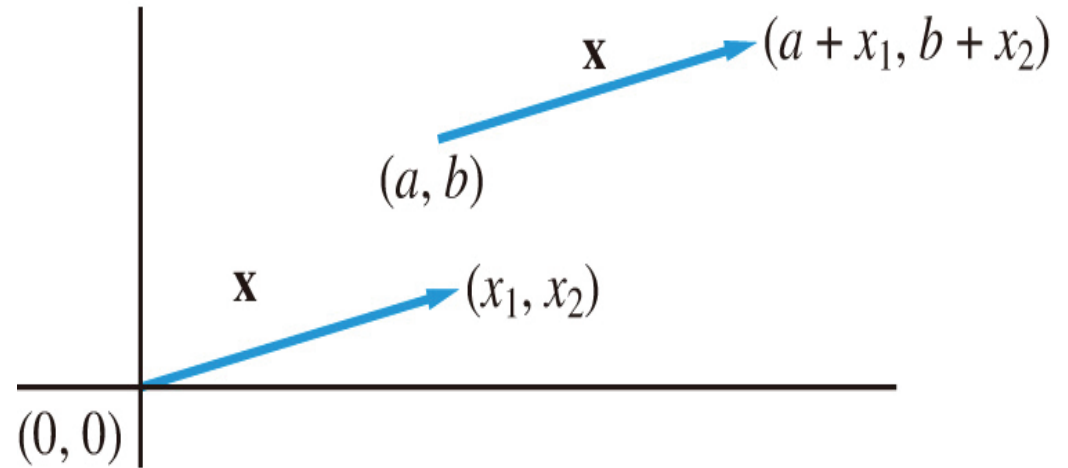
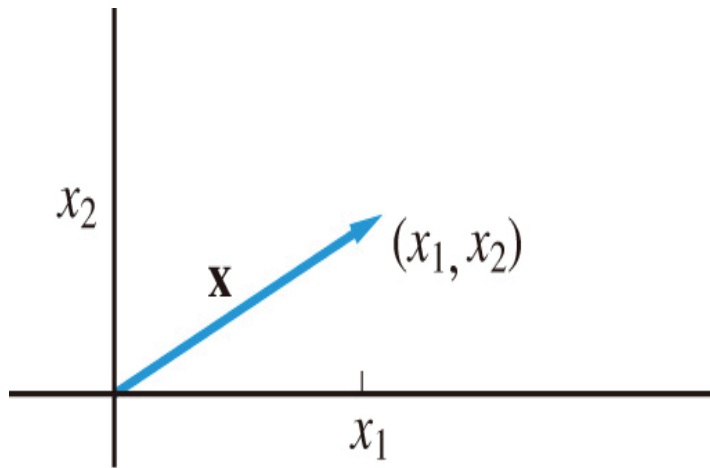
Vector Spaces

3.1 Definition and Examples

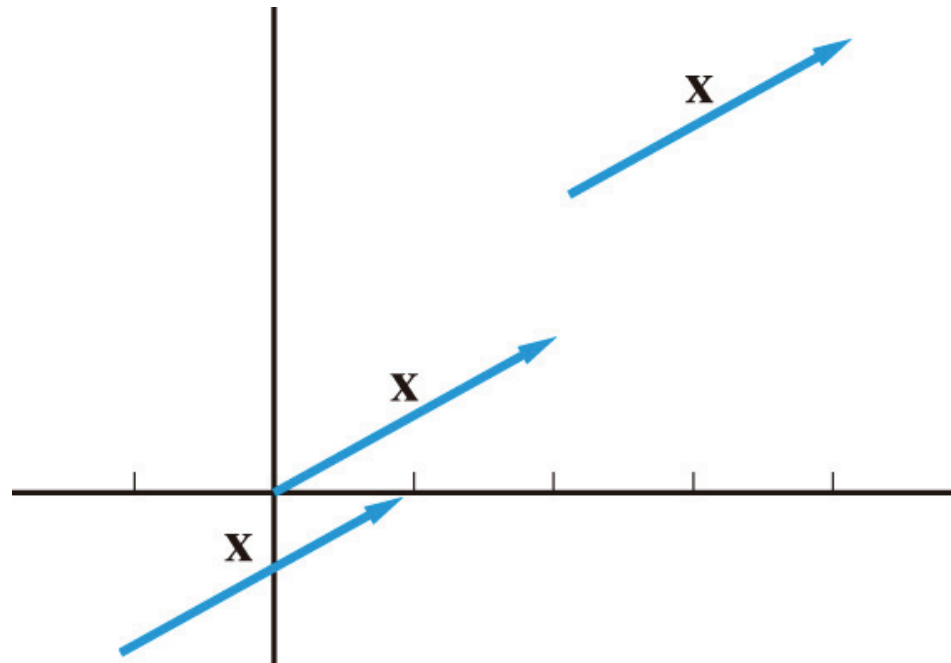
Euclidean Vector Spaces

- The most elementary vector spaces are the Euclidean vector spaces \mathbb{R}^n , $n = 1, 2, \dots$
- For example, \mathbb{R}^2 , $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ denote the directed line segment from $(0, 0)$ to (x_1, x_2)
- Two equal line segments will have the same length and direction

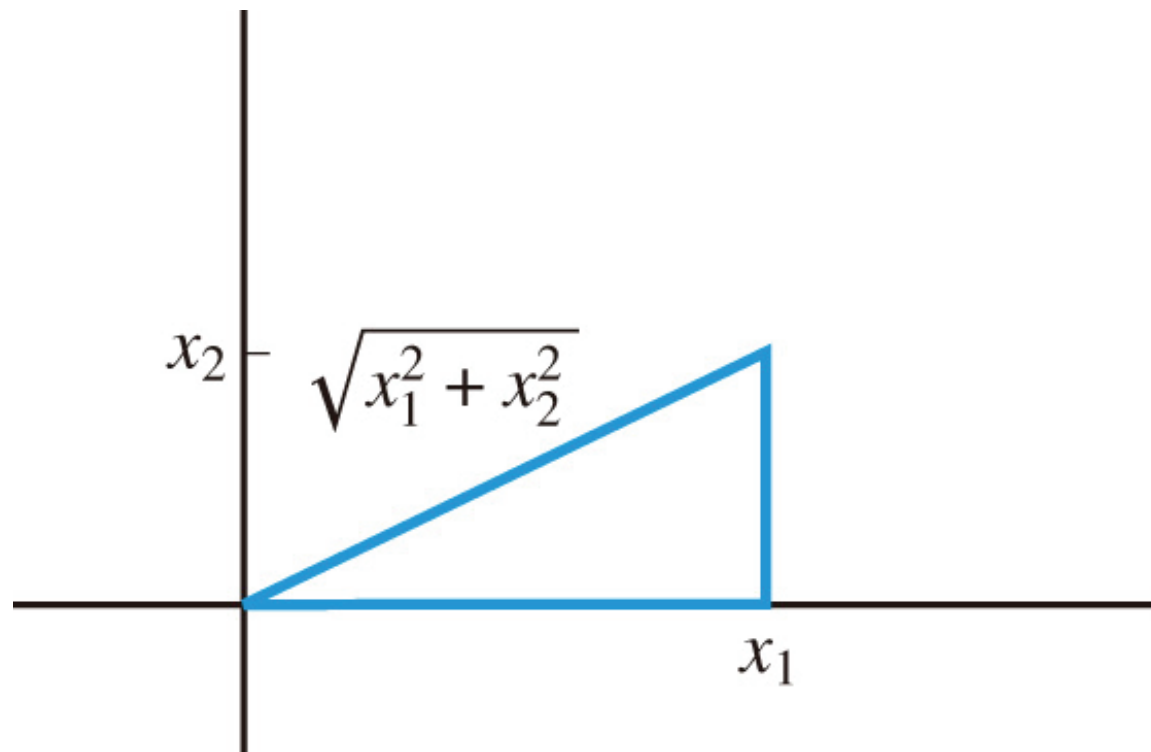
- \mathbf{x} can be represented by any line segment from (a, b) to $(a + x_1, b + x_2)$



- For example, the vector $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ in R^2 could just as well be represented by the directed line segment from $(2, 2)$ to $(4, 3)$ or from $(-1, -1)$ to $(1, 0)$



- The Euclidean length of the line segment from $(0, 0)$ to (x_1, x_2) is $\sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$

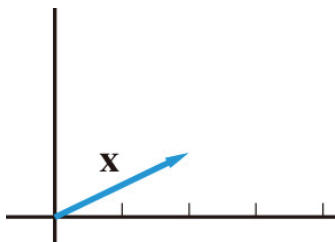


- Given a scalar α , the product $\alpha \mathbf{x}$ is given by

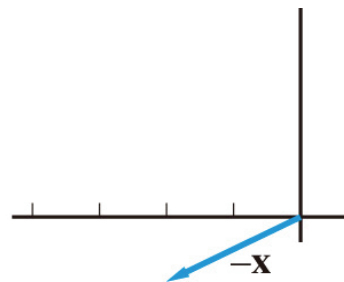
$$\alpha \mathbf{x} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- For example, if $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, then

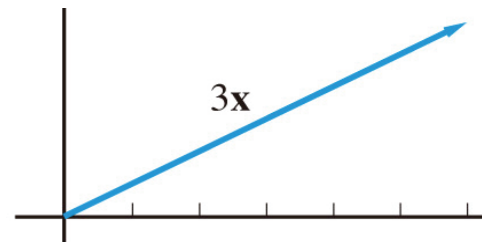
$$-\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad 3\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad -2\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$



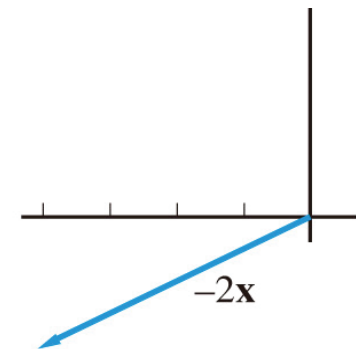
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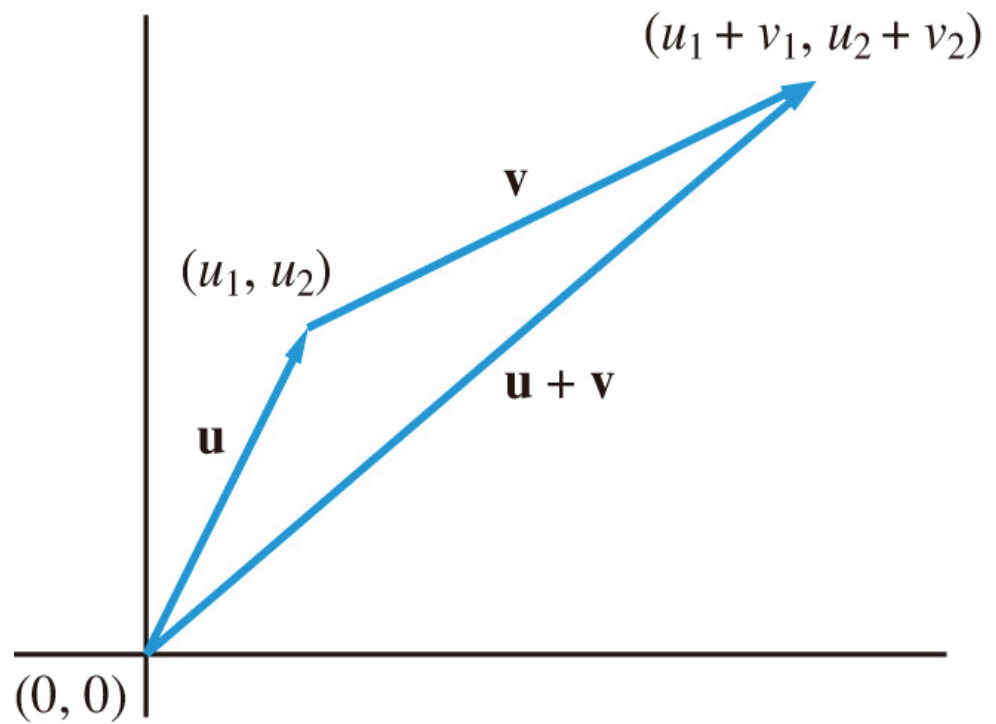
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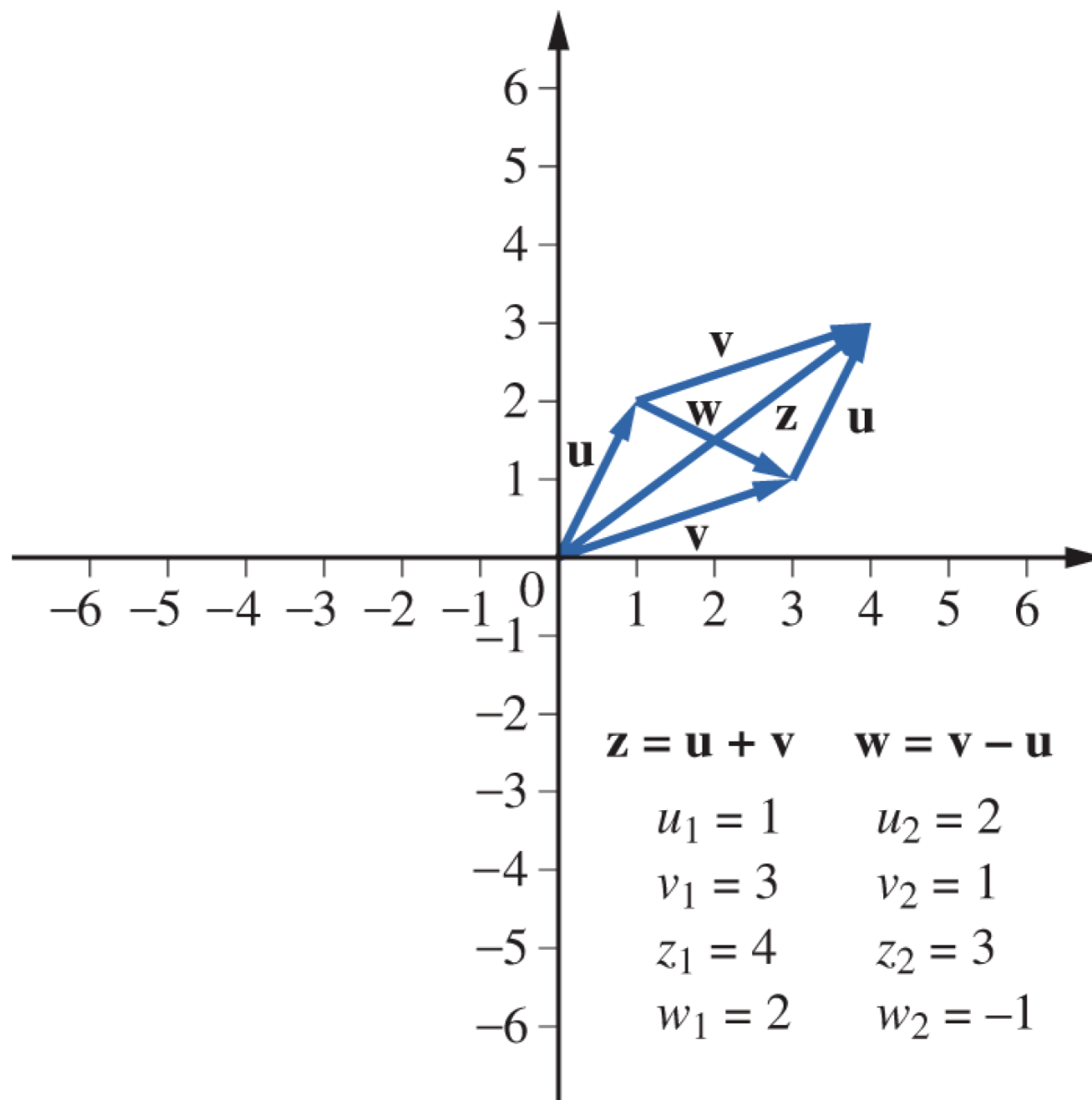


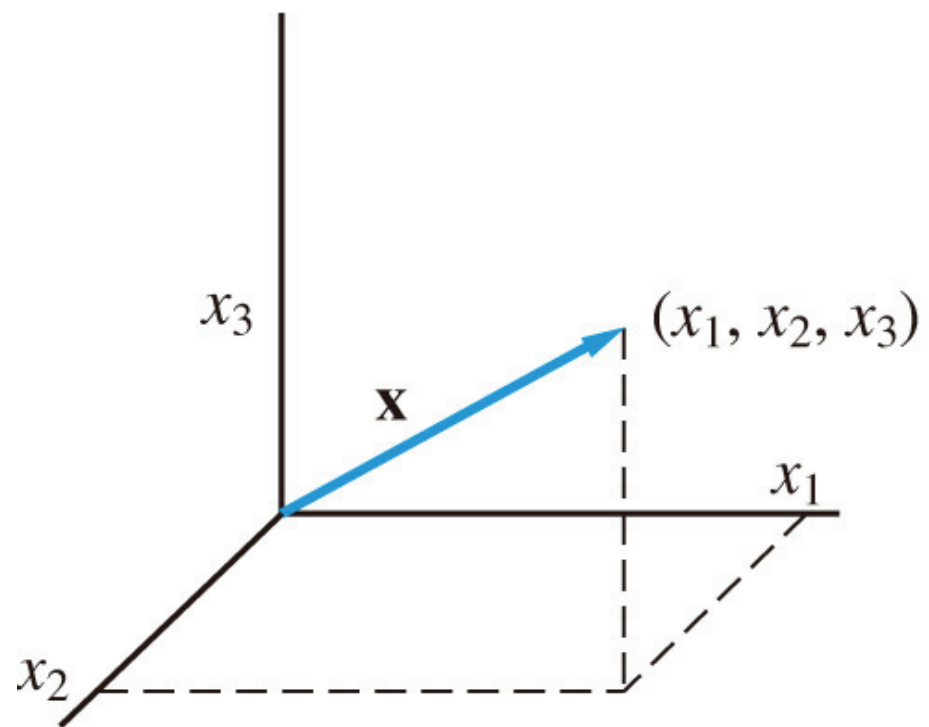
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- The sum of two vectors $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$ is defined by

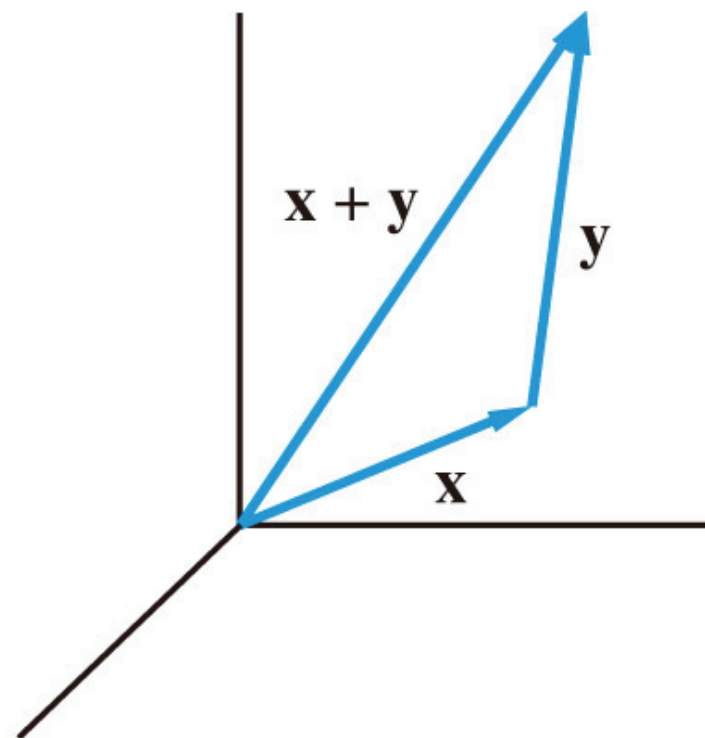
$$\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$







(a)



(b)

- In general, scalar multiplication and addition in R^n are defined by

$$\alpha \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha x_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha x_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n + v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

for $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in R^n$ and any scalar α .

Vector Spaces Axioms

Definition

Let V be a set on which the operations of addition and scalar multiplication are defined. By this we mean:

- (1) for each pair of elements \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} in V , one can associate a unique element $\mathbf{x+y}$ that is also in V ,
- (2) for each vector \mathbf{x} in V and a scalar α , one can associate a unique element $\alpha\mathbf{x}$ in V .

The set V together with the operations of addition and scalar multiplication is said to form a **vector space** if the following axioms are satisfied. $(V, +, \times)$

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- A1.** $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x}$ for any \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} in V
- A2.** $(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) + \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{x} + (\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z})$ for any $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}$ in V
- A3.** There exist an element $\mathbf{0}$ in V such that $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{x}$ for each $\mathbf{x} \in V$
- A4.** For each $\mathbf{x} \in V$, there exist an element $-\mathbf{x}$ in V such that $\mathbf{x} + (-\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$
- A5.** $\alpha(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = \alpha\mathbf{x} + \alpha\mathbf{y}$ for each scalar α and any \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} in V
- A6.** $(\alpha + \beta)\mathbf{x} = \alpha\mathbf{x} + \beta\mathbf{x}$ for any scalars α and β and any $\mathbf{x} \in V$
- A7.** $(\alpha\beta)\mathbf{x} = \alpha(\beta\mathbf{x})$ for any scalars α and β and any $\mathbf{x} \in V$
- A8.** $1 \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$ for all $\mathbf{x} \in V$

- The closure properties of addition and scalar multiplication operations can be summarized as follows:

C1. If $\mathbf{x} \in V$ and α is a scalar, then $\alpha\mathbf{x} \in V$

C2. If $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in V$, then $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \in V$

The Vector Spaces $R^{m \times n}$

- The vector spaces R^n can be viewed as the set of all $n \times 1$ matrices with real entries.
- $R^{m \times n}$ can denote the set of all $m \times n$ matrices with real entries.
- If $A = (a_{ij})$ and $B = (b_{ij})$, the sum $A+B$ is the $m \times n$ matrix $C = (c_{ij})$, where $c_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$
- αA is the $m \times n$ matrix whose ij -th entry is αa_{ij}

Example

- Let $W = \{(a, 1) \mid a \text{ real}\}$

- By C1. $(a, 1) \in W$

$$\alpha(a, 1) = (\alpha a, \alpha) \notin W$$

- By C2. $(a, 1) \in W$ and $(b, 1) \in W$

$$(a, 1) + (b, 1) = (a+b, 2) \notin W$$

$\therefore W$ together with the operations of addition and scalar multiplication is **not** a vector space

Given a set V on which the operations of addition and scalar multiplication have been defined and satisfy properties C1 and C2, we can check the eight axioms are valid.

The Vector Space $C[a, b]$

- Let $C[a, b]$ denote the set of all real-valued functions that are defined and continuous on the closed intervals $[a, b]$. In this case, our universal set is a set of functions. Thus, our vectors are the functions in $C[a, b]$.
- If f and g are functions in $C[a, b]$ and α is a real number:
$$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$
$$(\alpha f)(x) = \alpha f(x)$$
for all x in $[a, b]$.

- Clearly, αf is in $C[a, b]$, since a constant times a continuous function is always continuous.

$$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) = g(x) + f(x) = (g + f)(x)$$

for every x in $[a, b]$

- Since the function

$$z(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \text{ in } [a, b]$$

acts as the zero vector; that is,

$$f + z = f \quad \text{for all } f \text{ in } C[a, b]$$

The Vector Spaces P_n

- Let P_n denote the set of all polynomials of degree less than n . Define $p+q$ and αp by

$$(p+q)(x) = p(x) + q(x)$$

and

$$(\alpha p)(x) = \alpha p(x)$$

for all real numbers x .

- P_n is a vector space

Additional Properties of Vector Spaces

Theorem 3.1.1

If V is a vector space and \mathbf{x} is any element of V , then

(i) $0\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

(ii) $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0}$ implies that $\mathbf{y} = -\mathbf{x}$ (i.e., the additive inverse of \mathbf{x} is unique)

(iii) $(-1)\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{x}$

Theorem 3.1.1 *proof*

(i)

$$\mathbf{x} = 1\mathbf{x} = (1 + 0)\mathbf{x} = 1\mathbf{x} + 0\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} + 0\mathbf{x}$$
$$-\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{x} + (\mathbf{x} + 0\mathbf{x}) = (-\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}) + 0\mathbf{x} \quad (\text{A2})$$
$$\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} + 0\mathbf{x} = 0\mathbf{x} \quad (\text{A1, A3, and A4})$$

(ii) Suppose $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0}$, then

$$-\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{0} = -\mathbf{x} + (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) \quad (\text{A1, A3, and A4})$$
$$-\mathbf{x} = (-\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}$$

(iii)

$$0 = 0\mathbf{x} = (1 + (-1))\mathbf{x} = 1\mathbf{x} + (-1)\mathbf{x} \quad (\text{i and A6})$$
$$\mathbf{x} + (-1)\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad (\text{A8})$$
$$(-1)\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{x}$$

3.2 Subspaces Example 1

- Let $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \mid x_2 = 2x_1 \right\}$, then S is a subset of R^2
- If $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ 2c \end{bmatrix}$ is any element of S and α is any scalar, then
- By C1:

$$\alpha \mathbf{x} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} c \\ 2c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha c \\ 2\alpha c \end{bmatrix} \in S$$

- By C2: if $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ 2a \end{bmatrix} \in S$ and $\begin{bmatrix} b \\ 2b \end{bmatrix} \in S$, then

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ 2a \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 2b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+b \\ 2(a+b) \end{bmatrix} \in S$$

- $\therefore S$ is a vector space

Definition

If S is a nonempty subset of a vector space V , and S satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) $\alpha \mathbf{x} \in S$ whenever $\mathbf{x} \in S$ for any scalar α (closed under scalar multiplication)
- (ii) $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \in S$ whenever $\mathbf{x} \in S$ and $\mathbf{y} \in S$ (closed under addition)

then S is said to be a **subspace** of V

- A subspace of V is a subset S that is closed under the operations of V .
- Every subspace of a vector space is a vector space in its own right.

Remark

- If V is a vector space, then $\{\mathbf{0}\}$ and V are subspaces of V . All other subspaces are referred to as *proper subspaces*, $\{\mathbf{0}\}$ is referred to as the *zero subspace*.
- To show that a subset S of a vector space forms a subspace, we must show that S is nonempty and that the closure properties (i) and (ii) in the definition are satisfied. Since every subspace must contain the zero vector, we can verify that S is nonempty by showing that $\mathbf{0} \in S$.
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Example 2

- Let $S = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3)^T \mid x_1 = x_2\}$, is S a subspace of R^3 ?

- ***Sol:***

(i) If $\mathbf{x} = (a, a, b)^T \in S$ then

$$\alpha\mathbf{x} = (\alpha a, \alpha a, \alpha b)^T \in S$$

(ii) If $\mathbf{x} = (a, a, b)^T \in S$ and $\mathbf{y} = (c, c, d)^T \in S$ then

$$\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = (a+c, a+c, b+d)^T \in S$$

Therefore, S is a subspace of R^3

Example 3

- Let $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid x \text{ is a real number} \right\}$, is S a subspace of R^2 ?

- Sol:*

By C1: $\alpha \begin{bmatrix} a \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha a \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix}$, if $\alpha \neq 1$, $\begin{bmatrix} \alpha a \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix} \notin S$

By C2: $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+b \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \notin S$

So, S is not a subspace of R^2 .

Example 4

- Let $S = \{A \in R^{2 \times 2} \mid a_{12} = -a_{21}\}$, is S a subspace of $R^{2 \times 2}$?

- *Sol:*

(i) By C1:

$$\text{If } A \in S, A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \alpha A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha a & \alpha b \\ -\alpha b & \alpha c \end{bmatrix} \in S$$

(ii) By C2:

If $A, B \in S$, that is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & c \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} d & e \\ -e & f \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A + B = \begin{bmatrix} a+d & b+e \\ -(b+e) & c+f \end{bmatrix} \in S$$

So, S is a subspace of $R^{2 \times 2}$

Example 5

- Let S be the set of all polynomials of degree less than n with the property that $p(0) = 0$. The set S is nonempty since it contains the zero polynomial. We claim that S is a subspace of P_n . This follows because

- (i) If $p(x) \in S$ and α is a scalar, then

$$\alpha p(0) = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0$$

and hence $\alpha p \in S$.

- (ii) If $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ are elements of S , then

$$(p + q)(0) = p(0) + q(0) = 0 + 0 = 0$$

and hence $p + q \in S$.

Example 6

- Let $C^n[a, b]$ be the set of all functions f that have a continuous n th derivative on $[a, b]$, then $C^n[a, b]$ is a subspace of $C^n[a, b]$.

Example 7

- The function $f(x) = |x|$ is in $C[-1, 1]$, but it is not differentiable at $x = 0$ and hence it is not in $C^1[-1, 1]$.
- The function $g(x) = x|x|$ is in $C^1[-1, 1]$, since it is differentiable at every point in $[-1, 1]$ and $g'(x) = 2|x|$ is continuous on $[-1, 1]$.
- However, $g \notin C^2[-1, 1]$, since $g''(x)$ is not defined when $x = 0$. Thus, the vector space $C^2[-1, 1]$ is a proper subspace of both $C[-1, 1]$ and $C^1[-1, 1]$.

Example 8

- Let S be the set of all f in $C^2[a, b]$ such that

$$f''(x) + f(x) = 0$$

for all x in $[a, b]$. The set S is nonempty, since the zero function is in S . If $f \in S$ and α is any scalar, then, for any x in $[a, b]$,

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha f)''(x) + (\alpha f)(x) &= \alpha f''(x) + \alpha f(x) \\ &= \alpha(f''(x) + f(x)) = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0\end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\alpha f \in S$.

Example 8 (con.)

- If f and g are both in S , then

$$\begin{aligned}(f + g)''(x) + (f + g)(x) &= f''(x) + g''(x) + f(x) + g(x) \\ &= [f''(x) + f(x)] + [g''(x) + g(x)] \\ &= 0 + 0 = 0\end{aligned}$$

- Hence, the set of all solutions on $[a, b]$ of the differential equation $y'' + y = 0$ forms a subspaces of $C^2[a, b]$. Note that $f(x) = \sin x$ and $g(x) = \cos x$ are both in S . Since S is a subspace, it follows that any function of the form $c_1 \sin x + c_2 \cos x$ must also be in S .

The Null Space of a Matrix

- Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Let $N(A)$ denote the set of all solutions to the homogeneous system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$. Thus

$$N(A) = \{\mathbf{x} \in R^n \mid A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}\}$$

- $N(A)$ is called the nullspace of A

- **Is $N(A)$ a subspace of R^n ?**

- If $\mathbf{x} \in N(A)$ and α is a scalar, then

$$A(\alpha\mathbf{x}) = \alpha(A\mathbf{x}) = \alpha\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\therefore \alpha\mathbf{x} \in N(A)$$

- If $\mathbf{x} \in N(A)$ and $\mathbf{y} \in N(A)$, then

$$A(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = A\mathbf{x} + A\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \in N(A)$$

$\therefore N(A)$ is a subspace of R^n

Example 9

- Determine $N(A)$ if $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- *Sol:*

Using the Gauss-Jordan reduction to solve $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] &\Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ &\Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ &\Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Example 9 (con.)

lead variable: x_1, x_2 , and free variable: x_3, x_4

$$x_1 - x_3 + x_4 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_3 - x_4$$

$$x_2 + 2x_3 - x_4 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = -2x_3 + x_4$$

set $x_3 = \alpha, x_4 = \beta$, then

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha - \beta \\ -2\alpha + \beta \\ \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ -2\alpha \\ \alpha \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -\beta \\ \beta \\ 0 \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a solution to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

**The vector space $N(A)$
consists of all vectors**

The Span of a Set of Vectors

Definition

Let $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ be vectors in a vector space V .

A sum of the form $\alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \alpha_n \mathbf{v}_n$, where $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ are scalars, is called a **linear combination** of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$. The set of all linear combinations of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ is called the **span** of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$, denoted by $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$.

- In example 9, the null space of A , $N(A)$, was the span of the vectors

$$(1, -2, 1, 0)^T \text{ and } (-1, 1, 0, 1)^T$$

Example 10

- In \mathbb{R}^3 , the span of \mathbf{e}_1 and \mathbf{e}_2 is the set of all vectors of the form

$$\alpha \mathbf{e}_1 + \beta \mathbf{e}_2 = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\text{Span}(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2)$ is the set of all vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 that lie in the x_1x_2 -plane.

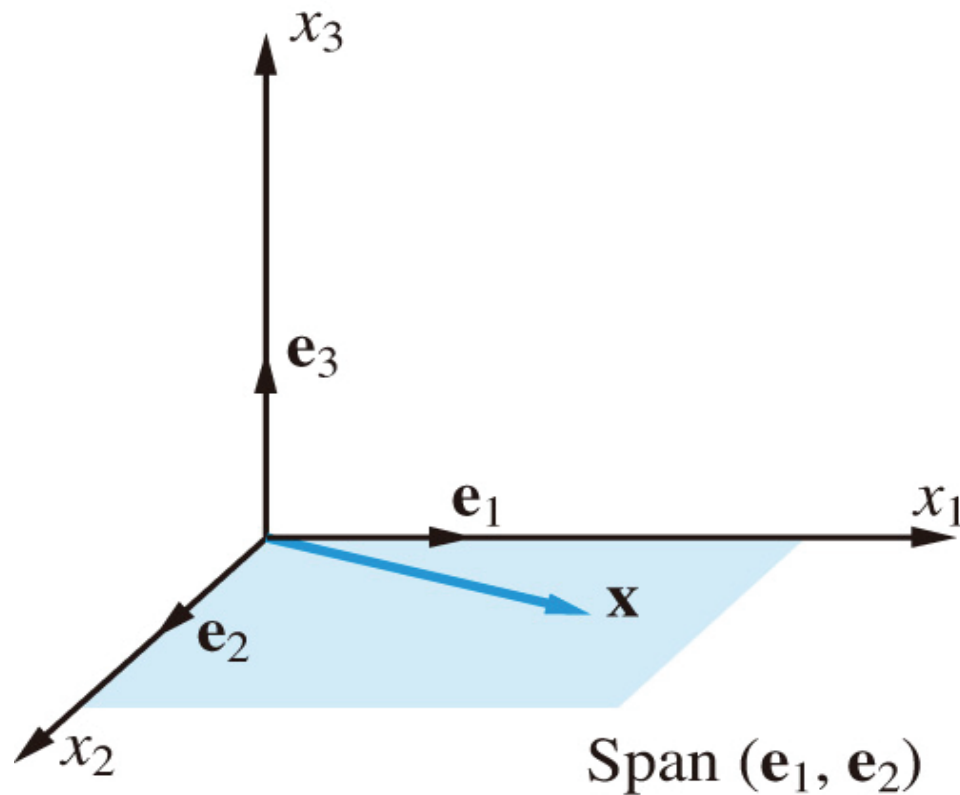
Example 10 (con.)

- Verify that $\text{Span}(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2)$ is a subspace of R^3 .
- The span of $\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3$ is the set of all vectors of the form

$$\alpha\mathbf{e}_1 + \beta\mathbf{e}_2 + \gamma\mathbf{e}_3 = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \gamma \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \\ \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

- Thus, $\text{Span}(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3) = R^3$
- A vector in R^3 is in $\text{Span}(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2)$ iff it lies in the x_1x_2 -plane in 3-space.

- We can think of the x_1x_2 -plane as the geometrical representation of the subspace $\text{Span}(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2)$.



Theorem 3.2.1

If $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are elements of a vector space V , then $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$ is a subspace of V .

- *proof*

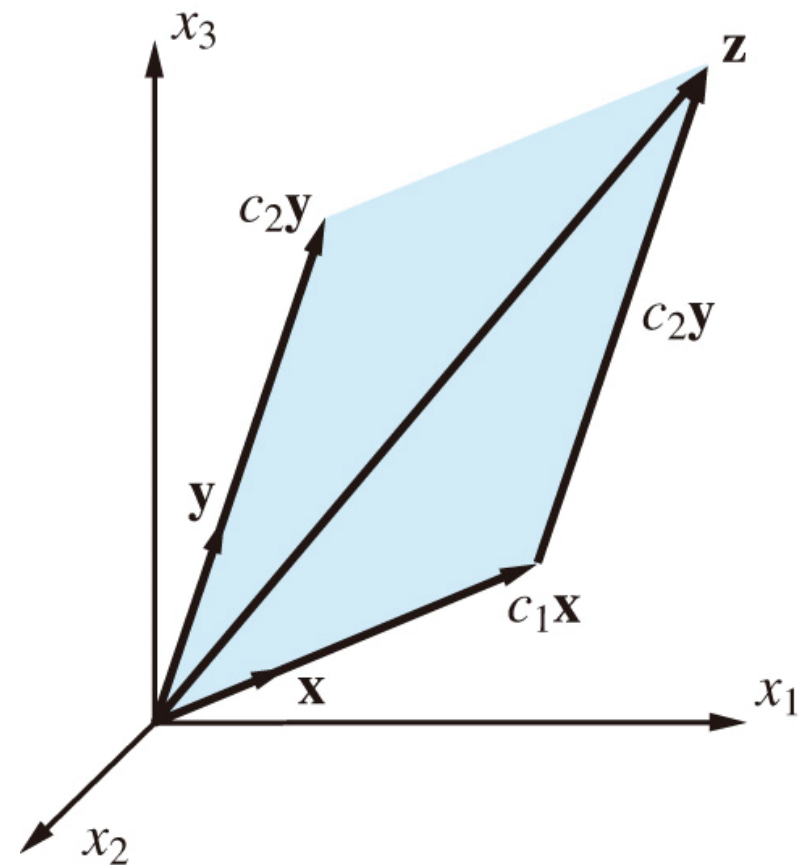
- Let $\mathbf{v} = \alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \alpha_n \mathbf{v}_n$ be an arbitrary element of $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$
- By C1:
$$\begin{aligned} \beta \mathbf{v} &= (\beta \alpha_1) \mathbf{v}_1 + (\beta \alpha_2) \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + (\beta \alpha_n) \mathbf{v}_n \\ &= \gamma_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \gamma_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \gamma_n \mathbf{v}_n \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\beta \mathbf{v} \in \text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$

- Let $\mathbf{v} = \alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \alpha_n \mathbf{v}_n \in \text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$
and
 $\mathbf{w} = \beta_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \beta_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \beta_n \mathbf{v}_n \in \text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$
 $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) \mathbf{v}_1 + (\alpha_2 + \beta_2) \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + (\alpha_n + \beta_n) \mathbf{v}_n \in$
 $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$
- Therefore, $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$ is a subspace of V .

- Two vectors \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} in R^3 , if $(0, 0, 0)$, (x_1, x_2, x_3) and (y_1, y_2, y_3) are not collinear, these points determines a plane.
- If $\mathbf{z} = c_1\mathbf{x} + c_2\mathbf{y}$, then \mathbf{z} is a sum of vectors parallel to \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} and hence must lie on the plane determined by the two vectors.

- In general, if two vectors \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} can be used to determine a plane in 3-space R^3 , that plane is the geometrical representation of $\text{Span}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$.

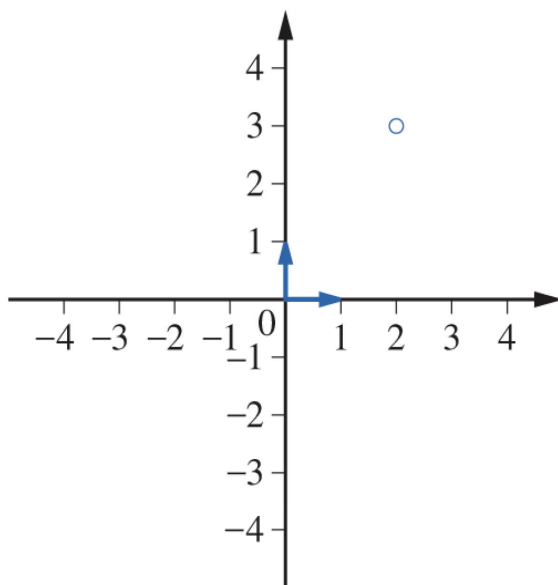


Spanning Set for a Vector Space

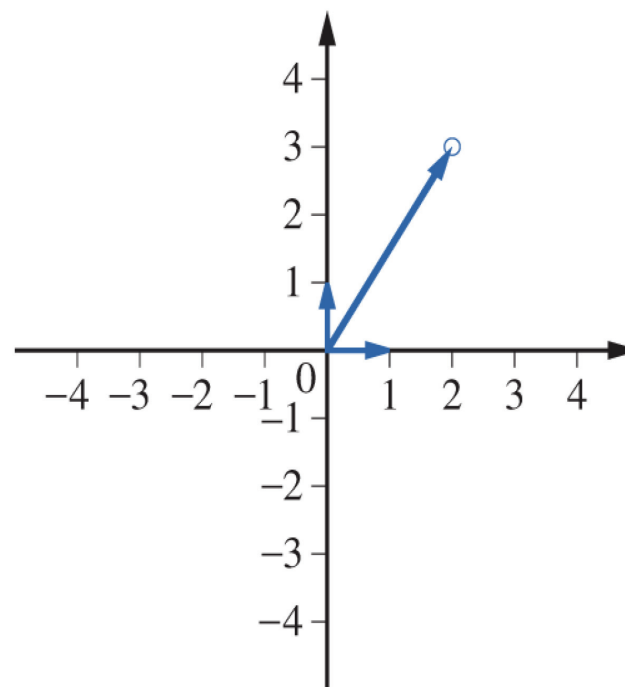
- Let $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ be vectors in a vector space V .
 $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$ is referred to as the subspace *spanned* by $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$.
- If $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n) = V$, the vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ is said to *span* V or that $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a *spanning set* for V .

Definition

The set $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a **spanning set** for V iff every vector in V can be written as a linear combination of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$.



Terminal point of first vector (1, 0)
Terminal point of second vector (0, 1)
Target point (2, 3)



$c_1 = 2$ $c_2 = 3$

Example 11

- Which of the following are spanning sets for R^3 ?
 - (a) $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3, (1, 2, 3)^T\}$
 - (b) $\{(1, 1, 1)^T, (1, 1, 0)^T, (1, 0, 0)^T\}$
 - (c) $\{(1, 0, 1)^T, (0, 1, 0)^T\}$
 - (d) $\{(1, 2, 4)^T, (2, 1, 3)^T, (4, -1, 1)^T\}$

Example 11(a) $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3, (1, 2, 3)^T\}$

- let $(a, b, c)^T \in R^3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = a \mathbf{e}_1 + b \mathbf{e}_2 + c \mathbf{e}_3 + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore (a) is a spanning set for R^3 .

Note

- The “**standard**” spanning set for R^3 :

$$\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{e}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example 11(b)

$$\{(1, 1, 1)^T, (1, 1, 0)^T, (1, 0, 0)^T\}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \alpha_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \\ \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = a$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = b$$

$$\alpha_1 = c$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ b - c \\ a - b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} &= c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + (b-c) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + (a-b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} c \\ c \\ c \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b-c \\ b-c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a-b \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

\therefore (b) is a spanning set for R^3 .

Example 11(c)

$$\{(1, 0, 1)^T, (0, 1, 0)^T\}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \alpha_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

if $a \neq c$, then $\notin \text{Span}\{(1, 0, 1)^T, (0, 1, 0)^T\}$

\therefore (c) is **not** a spanning set for R^3

Example 11(d)

$$\{(1, 2, 4)^T, (2, 1, 3)^T, (4, -1, 1)^T\}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \alpha_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_3 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 + 4\alpha_3 \\ 2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 \\ 4\alpha_1 + 3\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 + 4\alpha_3 = a$$

$$2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 = b$$

$$4\alpha_1 + 3\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = c$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & a \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & b \\ 4 & 3 & 1 & c \end{array} \right] &\Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & a \\ 0 & -3 & -9 & -2a + b \\ 0 & -5 & -15 & -4a + c \end{array} \right] \\
 &\Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & a \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & (2a - b)/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -(2a - 5b + 3c)/3 \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

if $2a - 3c + 5b \neq 0$, then the system is inconsistent

\therefore (d) is **not** a spanning set for R^3

Example 12

- The vectors $1 - x^2$, $x + 2$, and x^2 span P_3 ?

- *Sol:*

If $ax^2 + bx + c$ is any polynomial in P_3 .

$$\begin{aligned} ax^2 + bx + c &= \alpha_1(1 - x^2) + \alpha_2(x + 2) + \alpha_3 x^2 \\ &= (\alpha_3 - \alpha_1) x^2 + (\alpha_2) x + (\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_3 - \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c - 2b \\ b \\ a + c - 2b \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore 1 - x^2$, $x + 2$, and x^2 span P_3

- **Theorem 3.2.2** *If the linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent and \mathbf{x}_0 is a particular solution, then a vector \mathbf{y} will also be a solution if and only if $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{z}$ where $\mathbf{z} \in N(A)$.*

Let S be the solution set to a consistent $m \times n$ linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$. In the case that $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$ we have that $S = N(A)$ and consequently the solution set forms a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . If $\mathbf{b} \neq \mathbf{0}$, then S does not form a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n ; however, if one can find a particular solution \mathbf{x}_0 , then it is possible to represent any solution vector in terms of \mathbf{x}_0 and a vector \mathbf{z} from the null space of A .

Let $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ be a consistent linear system and let \mathbf{x}_0 be a particular solution to the system. If there is another solution \mathbf{x}_1 to the system, then the difference vector $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_0$ must be in $N(A)$ since

$$A\mathbf{z} = A\mathbf{x}_1 - A\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$$

Thus if there is a second solution, it must be of the form $\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{z}$ where $\mathbf{z} \in N(A)$.

In general, if \mathbf{x}_0 is a particular solution to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ and \mathbf{z} is any vector in $N(A)$, then setting $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{z}$, we have

$$A\mathbf{y} = A\mathbf{x}_0 + A\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{b}$$

So $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{z}$ must also be a solution to the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.

3.3 Linear Independence

- Each vector in the vector space can be built up from the elements in a generating set (spanning set) using only the operations of addition and scalar multiplication.
- In general, it is desirable to find a *minimum spanning set*.
- How the vectors in the generating set *depend* on each other.

Linear dependence/independence

- Consider the following vectors in R^3 :

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Let S be the subspace of R^3 spanned by \mathbf{x}_1 , \mathbf{x}_2 , and \mathbf{x}_3 .

$$\Rightarrow 3\mathbf{x}_1 + 2\mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{x}_3$$

\Rightarrow Any linear Combination of $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3$ can be reduced to a linear combination of \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 :

$$\alpha_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{x}_2 + \alpha_3 \mathbf{x}_3$$

$$= \alpha_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{x}_2 + \alpha_3 (3\mathbf{x}_1 + 2\mathbf{x}_2)$$

$$= (\alpha_1 + 3\alpha_3) \mathbf{x}_1 + (\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3) \mathbf{x}_2$$

$$\text{Thus, } \text{Span}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3) = \text{Span}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$$

- Eq. (1) can be rewritten as

$$3\mathbf{x}_1 + 2\mathbf{x}_2 - 1\mathbf{x}_3 = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = -\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{x}_2 + \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{x}_3, \quad \mathbf{x}_2 = -\frac{3}{2}\mathbf{x}_1 + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{x}_3, \quad \mathbf{x}_3 = 3\mathbf{x}_1 + 2\mathbf{x}_2$$

- $\text{Span}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3)$
 $= \text{Span}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \text{Span}(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3) = \text{Span}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_3)$
- Because of the dependency relation:

$$3\mathbf{x}_1 + 2\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_3 = \mathbf{0}$$

the subspace S can be represented as the span of any two of the given vectors.

- Suppose there are scalars c_1 and c_2 , not both 0, such that:

$$c_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{x}_2 = 0$$

then we could solve for one of the vectors in terms of the other:

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = -\frac{c_2}{c_1} \mathbf{x}_2 \quad (c_1 \neq 0), \quad \mathbf{x}_2 = -\frac{c_1}{c_2} \mathbf{x}_1 \quad (c_2 \neq 0)$$

- However, neither of the two vectors in question is a multiple of the others
- The only way that (3) can hold is if $c_1 = c_2 = 0$.

Summarization

- (I) If $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ span a vector space V and one of these vectors can be written as a linear combination of the other $n - 1$ vectors, then these $n - 1$ vectors span V .
- (II) Given n vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$, it is possible to write one of the vectors as a linear combination of the other $n - 1$ vectors iff there exist scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n not all zero such that

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$$

Proof (I)

- Suppose \mathbf{v}_n can be written as a linear combination of the other $n - 1$ vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n-1}$:

$$\mathbf{v}_n = \beta_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \beta_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \beta_{n-1} \mathbf{v}_{n-1}$$

- Let \mathbf{v} be any vectors in V , since $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ span V , we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v} &= \alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} \mathbf{v}_{n-1} + \alpha_n \mathbf{v}_n \\ &= \alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} \mathbf{v}_{n-1} + \alpha_n (\beta_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \beta_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \beta_{n-1} \mathbf{v}_{n-1}) \\ &= (\alpha_1 + \alpha_n \beta_1) \mathbf{v}_1 + (\alpha_2 + \alpha_n \beta_2) \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + (\alpha_{n-1} + \alpha_n \beta_{n-1}) \mathbf{v}_{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

- Thus, any vectors \mathbf{v} in V can be written as a linear combination of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n-1}$

Proof (II)

(\Rightarrow)

Suppose \mathbf{v}_n can be written as a linear combination of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n-1}$:

$$\mathbf{v}_n = \alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} \mathbf{v}_{n-1}$$

Subtracting \mathbf{v}_n from both sides of the equation, we get

$$\alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} \mathbf{v}_{n-1} - \mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$$

If we set $c_i = \alpha_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ and $c_n = -1$, then

$$c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$$

(\Leftarrow) Conversely, if

$$c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$$

and at least one of the c_i 's, say c_n , is nonzero, then

$$\mathbf{v}_n = \frac{-c_1}{c_n} \mathbf{v}_1 + \frac{-c_2}{c_n} \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \frac{-c_{n-1}}{c_n} \mathbf{v}_{n-1}$$

Definition

The vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ in a vector space V are said to be **linearly independent** if

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$$

implies that $c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_n = 0$

- If $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a *minimum spanning set*, then $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly independent
- Conversely, if $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly independent and span V , then $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a *minimum spanning set* for V .
- A *minimum spanning set* is called a **basis**.

Example 1

- Are the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ linearly independent or linearly dependent?

- *Sol:*

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 + c_2 = 0$$

$$c_1 + 2c_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = 0$$

\therefore linearly independent

Definition

The vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ in a vector space V are said to be **linearly dependent** if there exist scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n not all zero such that

$$c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$$

Example 2

- Are the vectors $\mathbf{x} = (1, 2, 3)^T$, \mathbf{e}_1 , \mathbf{e}_2 , and \mathbf{e}_3 linearly independent or linearly dependent?
- *Sol:*

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c_1 + c_2 \\ 2c_1 + c_3 \\ 3c_1 + c_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = 1, c_2 = -1, c_3 = -2, c_4 = -3$$

\therefore linearly dependent

Note

- Give a set of vectors $\{c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n\}$ in a vector space V , it is trivial to find scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n such that

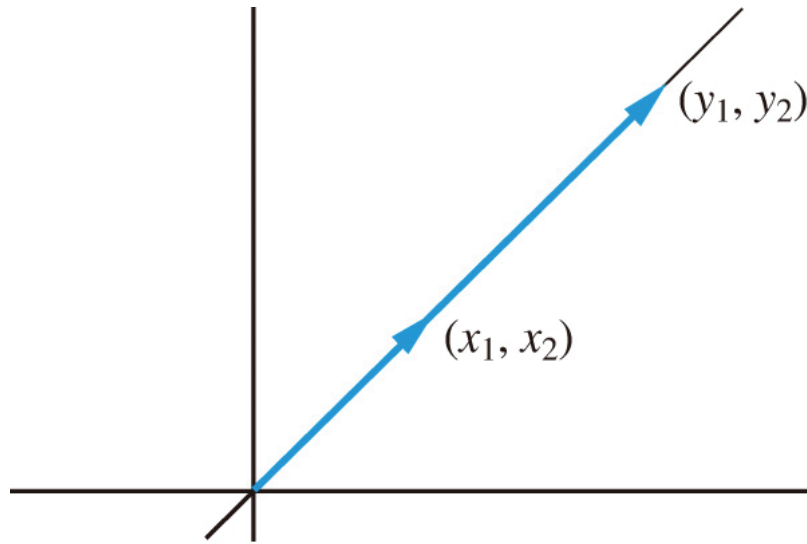
$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}$$

Just take

$$c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_n = 0$$

If there are no trivial choices of scalars for which the linear combination $c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n$ equals the zero vector, then $c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly dependent. If the only way the linear combination $c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n$ can equal the zero vector is for all the scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n to be 0, then $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly independent.

Geometric Interpretation

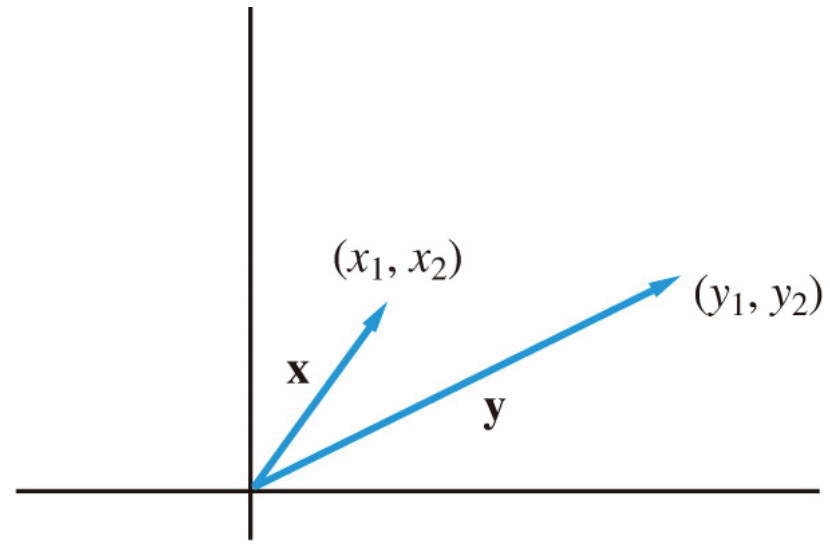


(a) \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} linearly dependent

$$c_1 \mathbf{x} + c_2 \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0}$$

c_1 and c_2 are not both 0,
say $c_1 \neq 0$, then

$$\mathbf{x} = (-c_2/c_1)\mathbf{y} = k \mathbf{y}$$



(b) \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} linearly independent

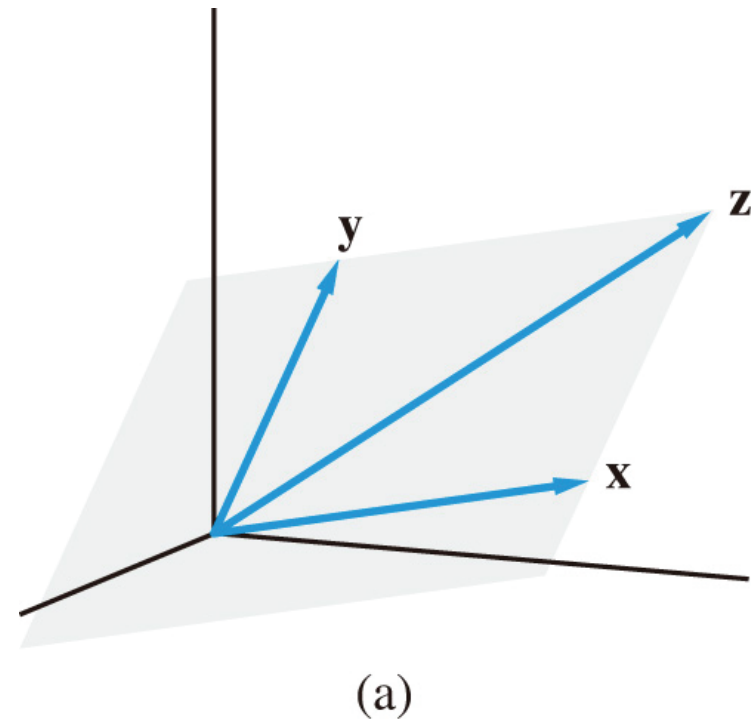
$$\mathbf{x} \neq k \mathbf{y}$$

- If $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix}$

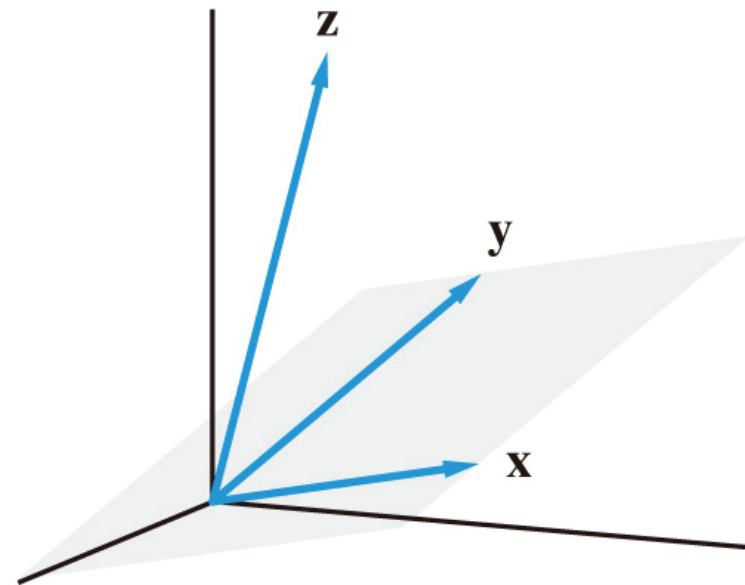
are linearly independent in R^3 , then the two points (x_1, x_2, x_3) and (y_1, y_2, y_3) will not lie on the same line through the origin in 3-space.

- Since $(0, 0, 0)$, (x_1, x_2, x_3) , and (y_1, y_2, y_3) are not collinear, they determine a plane.

- If (z_1, z_2, z_3) lies on this plane, the vector $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, z_2, z_3)^T$ can be written as a linear combination of \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} , and hence \mathbf{x} , \mathbf{y} , and \mathbf{z} are linearly dependent.



- If (z_1, z_2, z_3) does not lie on the plane, the three vectors will be linearly independent.



(b)

Theorems and Examples

Example 3

- Which of the following collections of vectors are linearly independent in R^3 ?

(a) $(1, 1, 1)^T, (1, 1, 0)^T, (1, 0, 0)^T$

(b) $(1, 0, 1)^T, (0, 1, 0)^T$

(c) $(1, 2, 4)^T, (2, 1, 3)^T, (4, -1, 1)^T$

Example 3 (a)

- We must show that the only way for

$$c_1(1, 1, 1)^T + c_2(1, 1, 0)^T + c_3(1, 0, 0)^T = (0, 0, 0)^T$$

is if the scalars c_1, c_2, c_3 are all zero.

$$\Rightarrow c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 0$$

$$c_1 + c_2 = 0$$

$$c_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = 0, c_2 = 0, c_3 = 0.$$

Example 3 (b)

- If

$$c_1 (1, 0, 1)^T + c_2 (0, 1, 0)^T = (0, 0, 0)^T$$

then

$$(c_1, c_2, c_1)^T = (0, 0, 0)^T$$

so $c_1 = c_2 = 0$.

- Therefore, the two vectors are linearly independent.

Example 3 (c)

- If

$$c_1(1, 2, 4)^T + c_2(2, 1, 3)^T + c_3(4, -1, 1)^T = (0, 0, 0)^T$$

then

$$c_1 + 2c_2 + 4c_3 = 0$$

$$2c_1 + c_2 - c_3 = 0$$

$$4c_1 + 3c_2 + c_3 = 0$$

- The coefficient matrix of the system is singular and hence the system has nontrivial solution. Therefore, the vectors are linearly dependent.

Theorem 3.3.1

Let $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$ be n vectors in R^n and let $X = (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n)$ then the vectors $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$ will be linearly dependent iff X is singular (i.e., $\det(X) = 0$)

proof: $c_1\mathbf{x}_1 + c_2\mathbf{x}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{0}$

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ \vdots \\ x_{n1} \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} x_{12} \\ x_{22} \\ \vdots \\ x_{n2} \end{bmatrix} + \dots + c_n \begin{bmatrix} x_{1n} \\ x_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ x_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 x_{11} + c_2 x_{12} + \dots + c_n x_{1n} = 0$$

$$c_1 x_{21} + c_2 x_{22} + \dots + c_n x_{2n} = 0$$

:

$$c_1 x_{n1} + c_2 x_{n2} + \dots + c_n x_{nn} = 0$$

Let $\mathbf{c} = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)^T$, then the system can be written as

$$\mathbf{X}\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}$$

\mathbf{c} has a nontrivial solution iff \mathbf{X} is singular

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$ will be linearly dependent iff \mathbf{X} is singular.

To test whether n vectors are linearly independent in R^n :

(1) Form a matrix X whose columns are the vectors being tested.

(2) To determine whether X is singular, calculate the value of $\det(X)$.

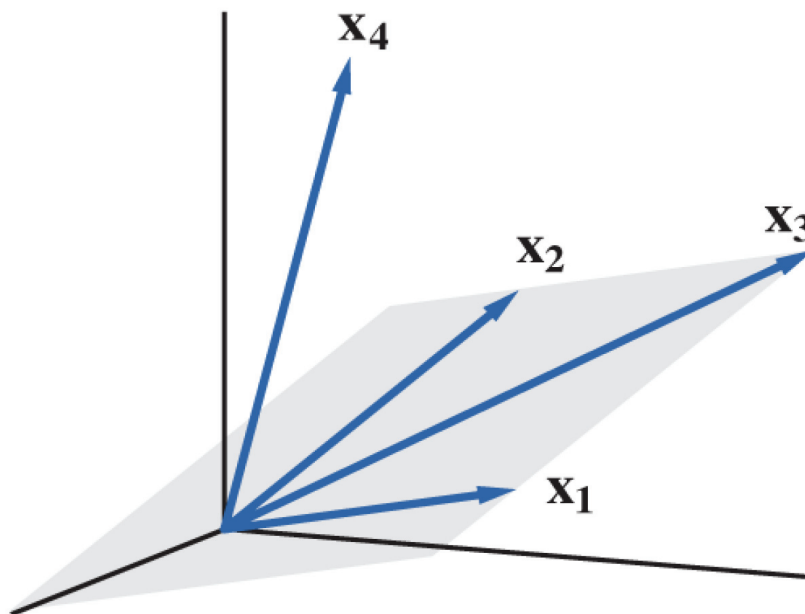
(a) If $\det(X) = 0$ (X is **singular**) \Rightarrow the vectors are **linearly dependent**

(b) If $\det(X) \neq 0$ (X is **nonsingular**) \Rightarrow the vectors are **linearly independent**

Example 4

- The following vectors are pictured in Figure 3.3.3.

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$



Example 4 (con.)

- We can see a dependency relation among the first three of the vectors since

$$\mathbf{x}_3 = \mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2$$

- In this case, the vector \mathbf{x}_3 lies in the plane spanned by \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 . It follows then that

$$\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_3 + 0\mathbf{x}_4 = 0$$

- The collection of four vectors must be linearly dependent since the scalars $c_1 = 1$, $c_2 = 1$, $c_3 = -1$, $c_4 = 0$ are not all 0.

Example 5

- Are $(4, 2, 3)^T$, $(2, 3, 1)^T$, $(2, -5, 3)^T$ linearly independent or dependent?
- *Sol:*

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -5 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{linearly dependent!}$$

Note

- To test whether k vectors $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k$ are linearly independent in R^n , we can rewrite the equation

$$c_1\mathbf{x}_1 + c_2\mathbf{x}_2 + \dots + c_k\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{0}$$

as a linear system $X\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}$, where $X = (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k)$.

- If $k \neq n$, the matrix X is not square, $\det(X) = ?$
- The system is homogeneous, so it has the trivial solution $\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}$.

- It will have nontrivial solutions iff *the row echelon form of X involve free variables*.
- If there are nontrivial solutions, then the vectors are linearly dependent.
- If there are no free variables, then $\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}$ is the only solution \Rightarrow **linearly independent**

Example 6

• Given $\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 7 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$

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

There exist a free variable $c_3 \Rightarrow$ there are nontrivial solutions \Rightarrow linearly dependent.

Theorem 3.3.2

Let $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ be vectors in a vector space V . A vector $\mathbf{v} \in \text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$ can be written uniquely as a linear combination of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ iff $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly independent.

- *Linear combinations of linearly independent vectors are unique.*

Theorem 3.3.2 *proof*

- If $\mathbf{v} \in \text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$, then \mathbf{v} can be written as a linear combination

$$\mathbf{v} = \alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \alpha_n \mathbf{v}_n$$

- Suppose that \mathbf{v} can also be expressed as a linear combination

$$\mathbf{v} = \beta_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \beta_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \beta_n \mathbf{v}_n$$

- We will show that, if $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly independent, that $\beta_i = \alpha_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and if $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly dependent, then it is possible to choose the β_i 's different from the α_i 's.

Theorem 3.3.2 *proof*

- If $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly independent, then subtracting (6) from (5) yield

$$0 = (\alpha_1 - \beta_1) \mathbf{v}_1 + (\alpha_2 - \beta_2) \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + (\alpha_n - \beta_n) \mathbf{v}_n$$

By the linearly independent of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$, the coefficients of (7) must will be all 0. Hence,

$$\alpha_1 = \beta_1, \alpha_2 = \beta_2, \dots, \alpha_n = \beta_n$$

Thus, the representation (5) is unique then $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly independent.

Theorem 3.3.2 *proof*

- On the other hand, if $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly dependent, then there exist c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n , not all 0, such that

$$\mathbf{0} = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \mathbf{v}_n$$

- Now if we set

$$\beta_1 = \alpha_1 + c_1, \beta_2 = \alpha_2 + c_2, \dots, \beta_n = \alpha_n + c_n$$

then, adding (5) and (8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v} &= (\alpha_1 + c_1) \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + (\alpha_n + c_n) \mathbf{v}_n \\ &= \beta_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \beta_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \beta_n \mathbf{v}_n \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.3.2 *proof*

- Since the c_i 's are not all 0, $\beta_i \neq \alpha_i$ for at least one value of i . Thus, if $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly dependent, the representation of a vector as a linear combination of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ is not unique.

Vector Spaces of Functions – the Vector Space P_n

- To test whether the following polynomials p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k are linearly independent in P_n , we set

$$c_1 p_1 + c_2 p_2 + \dots + c_k p_k = z$$

where z represent the zero polynomial:

$$z(x) = 0x^{n-1} + 0x^{n-2} + \dots + 0x + 0$$

- Let $c_1 p_1 + c_2 p_2 + \dots + c_k p_k = a_1 x^{n-1} + a_2 x^{n-2} + \dots + a_{n-1} x + a_n$, then

$$a_i = 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

- Each of the a_i 's is a linear combination of the c_j 's
- A homogeneous linear system with unknowns c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k
- If the system has only the trivial solution, the polynomials are linearly independent; otherwise, they are linearly dependent.

Example 7

- Are the following polynomials linearly independent?

$$p_1(x) = x^2 - 2x + 3, p_2(x) = 2x^2 + x + 8,$$

$$p_3(x) = x^2 + 8x + 7$$

- *Sol:*

$$c_1 p_1(x) + c_2 p_2(x) + c_3 p_3(x) = 0x^2 + 0x + 0$$

$$c_1 (x^2 - 2x + 3) + c_2 (2x^2 + x + 8) + c_3 (x^2 + 8x + 7)$$

$$= (c_1 + 2c_2 + c_3) x^2 + (-2c_1 + c_2 + 8c_3) x + (3c_1 + 8c_2 + 7c_3)$$

- $= 0x^2 + 0x + 0$

Example 7 (con.)

$$\Rightarrow c_1 + 2c_2 + c_3 = 0$$

$$-2c_1 + c_2 + 8c_3 = 0$$

$$3c_1 + 8c_2 + 7c_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 8 \\ 3 & 8 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 8 \\ 3 & 8 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow$ linearly dependent.

The Vector Space $C^{(n-1)}[a, b]$

- Let f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n be elements of $C^{(n-1)}[a, b]$, if these vectors are linearly dependent, then exist scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n , not all zero, such that

$$c_1 f_1(x) + c_2 f_2(x) + \dots + c_n f_n(x) = 0$$

for each x in $[a, b]$. Taking the derivatives with respect to x of both sides of (10) yields

$$c_1 f_1'(x) + c_2 f_2'(x) + \dots + c_n f_n'(x) = 0$$

- For each continue taking of both sides, we end up with the system

$$c_1 f_1(x) + c_2 f_2(x) + \cdots + c_n f_n(x) = 0$$

$$c_1 f_1'(x) + c_2 f_2'(x) + \cdots + c_n f_n'(x) = 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$c_1 f_1^{(n-1)}(x) + c_2 f_2^{(n-1)}(x) + \cdots + c_n f_n^{(n-1)}(x) = 0$$

- For each fixed x in $[a, b]$, the matrix equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_1(x) & f_2(x) & \cdots & f_n(x) \\ f_1'(x) & f_2'(x) & \cdots & f_n'(x) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ f_1^{(n-1)}(x) & f_2^{(n-1)}(x) & \cdots & f_n^{(n-1)}(x) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

will have the same nontrivial solution $(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)^T$. Thus, if f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n are linearly dependent in $C^{(n-1)}[a, b]$, then, for each fixed x in $[a, b]$, the coefficient matrix of system (11) is singular. If the matrix is singular, its determinant is zero.

Definition

Let f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n be functions in $C^{(n-1)}[a, b]$, and define the function $W[f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n](x)$ in $[a, b]$ by

$$W[f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n](x) = \begin{vmatrix} f_1(x) & f_2(x) & \cdots & f_n(x) \\ f_1'(x) & f_2'(x) & \cdots & f_n'(x) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ f_1^{(n-1)}(x) & f_2^{(n-1)}(x) & \cdots & f_n^{(n-1)}(x) \end{vmatrix}$$

The function $W[f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n](x)$ is called the **Wronskian** of f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n .

Theorem 3.3.3

Let f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n be elements of $C^{(n-1)}[a, b]$. If there exists a point x_0 in $[a, b]$ such that $W[f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n](x_0) \neq 0$, then f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n are linearly independent.

- *Proof*

If f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n were linearly dependent, then by the preceding discussion, the coefficient matrix in (11) would be singular for each x in $[a, b]$ and hence $W[f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n](x)$ would be identically zero on $[a, b]$.

Example 8

- Show that e^x and e^{-x} are linearly independent in $C(-\infty, \infty)$.
- *Sol:*

$$W[e^x, e^{-x}] = \begin{vmatrix} e^x & e^{-x} \\ e^x & -e^x \end{vmatrix} = -2$$

Since $W[e^x, e^{-x}]$ is not identically zero, e^x and e^{-x} are linearly independent.

Example 9

- Consider the function x^2 and $x|x|$ in $C[-1, 1]$. Both functions are in the subspace $C^1[-1, 1]$, so we can compute the Wronskian

$$W[x^2, x|x|] = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & x|x| \\ 2x & 2|x| \end{vmatrix} \equiv 0$$

- Since the Wronskian is identically zero, it gives no information as to whether the functions are linearly independent.

Example 9 (con.)

- To answer the question, suppose that

$$c_1x^2 + c_2x|x| = 0$$

for all x in $[-1, 1]$. Then, in particular for $x = 1$ and $x = -1$, we have

$$c_1 + c_2 = 0$$

$$c_1 - c_2 = 0$$

and the only solution of this system is $c_1 = c_2 = 0$.

Thus, the functions x^2 and $x|x|$ are linearly independent in $C[-1, 1]$ even though $W[x^2, x|x|] \equiv 0$.

Example 10

- Show that the vectors $1, x, x^2$, and x^3 are linearly independent in $C((-\infty, \infty))$.

- *Sol:*

$$W[1, x, x^2, x^3] = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 & x^3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2x & 3x^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 12$$

Since $W[1, x, x^2, x^3] \neq 0$, the vectors are linear independent.

3.4 Basis and Dimension

Definition

The vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ form a **basis** for a vector space V if and only if

(1) $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly independent (minimal spanning set)

(2) $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ span V (spanning set)

Example 1

- The *standard basis* for R^3 is $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$; however, there are many bases that we could choose for R^3 . For example,

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ and } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

are both bases for R^3 . We will see shortly that any basis for R^3 must have exactly three elements.

Example 2

- In $R^{2 \times 2}$, consider the set $\{E_{11}, E_{12}, E_{21}, E_{22}\}$, where

$$E_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E_{22} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{If } c_1 E_{11} + c_2 E_{12} + c_3 E_{21} + c_4 E_{22} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

then $\begin{bmatrix} c_1 & c_2 \\ c_3 & c_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. So, $E_{11}, E_{12}, E_{21}, E_{22}$ are linearly independent.

- If $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ is in $R^{2 \times 2}$, then

$$A = aE_{11} + bE_{12} + cE_{21} + dE_{22}$$

- Thus, $E_{11}, E_{12}, E_{21}, E_{22}$ span $R^{2 \times 2}$, and hence form a basis for $R^{2 \times 2}$.

Theorem 3.4.1

If $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ is a spanning set for a vector space V , then any collection of m vectors in V , where $m > n$, is linearly dependent.

- *Proof*
- Let $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m$ be m vectors in V , when $m > n$.
Then, since $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ span V , we have

$$\mathbf{u}_i = a_{i1}\mathbf{v}_1 + a_{i2}\mathbf{v}_2 + \cdots + a_{in}\mathbf{v}_n \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

Theorem 3.4.1 *proof* (con.)

- A linearly combination $c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 + \cdots + c_m\mathbf{u}_m$ can be written in the form

$$c_1 \sum_{j=1}^n a_{1j} \mathbf{v}_j + c_2 \sum_{j=1}^n a_{2j} \mathbf{v}_j + \cdots + c_m \sum_{j=1}^n a_{mj} \mathbf{v}_j$$

Rearranging the terms, we see that

$$c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 + \cdots + c_m\mathbf{u}_m = \sum_{i=1}^m \left[c_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} \mathbf{v}_j \right) \right] = \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij} c_i \right) \mathbf{v}_j$$

Theorem 3.4.1 *proof* (con.)

- Now consider the system of equation

$$\sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij}c_i = 0 \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

- This is a homogeneous system with more unknowns than equations. Therefore, by Theorem 1.2.1, the system must have a nontrivial solution $(\hat{c}_1, \hat{c}_2, \dots, \hat{c}_m)^T$

- But then

$$\hat{c}_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + \hat{c}_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + \hat{c}_m \mathbf{u}_m = \sum_{j=1}^n 0 \mathbf{v}_j = \mathbf{0}$$

Hence, $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m$ are linearly deoendent.

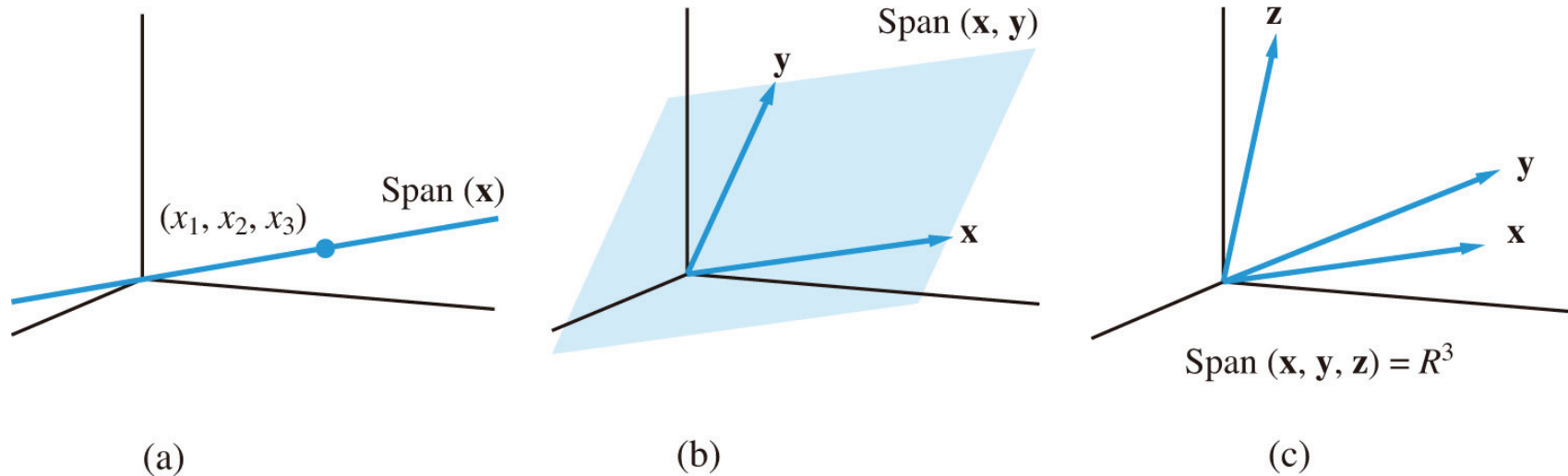
Corollary 3.4.2

If $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ and $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$ are both bases for a vector space V , then $n = m$.

- *Proof*
- Let both $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ and $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$ be bases for V . Since $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ span V and $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m$ are linearly independent, it follows from Theorem 3.4.1 that $m \leq n$. By same reasoning, $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m$ span V and $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ are linearly independent, so $n \leq m$.

Definition

Let V be vector space. If V has a basis consisting of n vectors, we say that V has **dimension** n . The subspace $\{\mathbf{0}\}$ of V is said to have dimension 0. V is said to be **finite-dimensional** if there is a finite set of vectors that spans V ; otherwise we say that V is **infinite-dimensional**.



(a) $\text{Span}(\mathbf{x}) = \{\alpha\mathbf{x} \mid \alpha \text{ is a scalar}\}$: line

(b) $\text{Span}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \{\alpha\mathbf{x} + \beta\mathbf{y} \mid \alpha, \beta \text{ are scalars}\}$: plane

(c) $\text{Span}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \mathbb{R}^3$

Example 3

- Let P be the vector space of all polynomial. We claim that P is infinite dimensional. If P were finite dimensional, say, if dimension n , any set of $n+1$ vectors would be linearly dependent.
- However, $1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n$ are linearly independent, since $W[1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n] > 0$. Therefore, P cannot be of dimension n . Since n was arbitrary, P must be infinite dimension. The same argument shows that $C[a, b]$ is infinite dimensional.

Theorem 3.4.3

If V is a vector space of dimension $n > 0$

- (I) Any set of n linearly independent vectors spans V ;
- (II) Any n vectors that span V are linearly independent.

Example 4

- Show that $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for R^3

- *Sol:*

- Since $\dim R^3 = 3$, we need only show that these vectors are linearly independent.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \text{linearly independent}$$

Theorem 3.4.4

If V is a vector space of dimension $n > 0$, then

- (I) No set of less than n vectors can span V
- (II) Any subset of less than n linearly independent vectors can be extended to form a basis for V
- (III) Any spanning set containing more than n vectors can be pared down to form a basis for V .

Standard Bases

- The standard basis for R^n is $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\}$
- The standard basis for $R^{2 \times 2}$ is $\{E_{11}, E_{12}, E_{21}, E_{22}\}$
- The standard basis for P_n is $\{1, x, x^2, x^3, \dots, x^{n-1}\}$

3.5 Change of Basis

Changing Coordinates in R^2

- The standard basis for R^2 is $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2\}$, any vector $\mathbf{x} \in R^2$ can be expressed as a linear combination of \mathbf{e}_1 and \mathbf{e}_2 :

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + x_2 \mathbf{e}_2$$

\Rightarrow The scalars x_1, x_2 are **coordinates** of \mathbf{x} with respect to the standard basis.

- For another basis $\{\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}\}$ for R^2

$$\mathbf{x} = \alpha\mathbf{y} + \beta\mathbf{z}$$

\Rightarrow The scalars α, β are the coordinates of \mathbf{x} with respect to the basis $\{\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}\}$

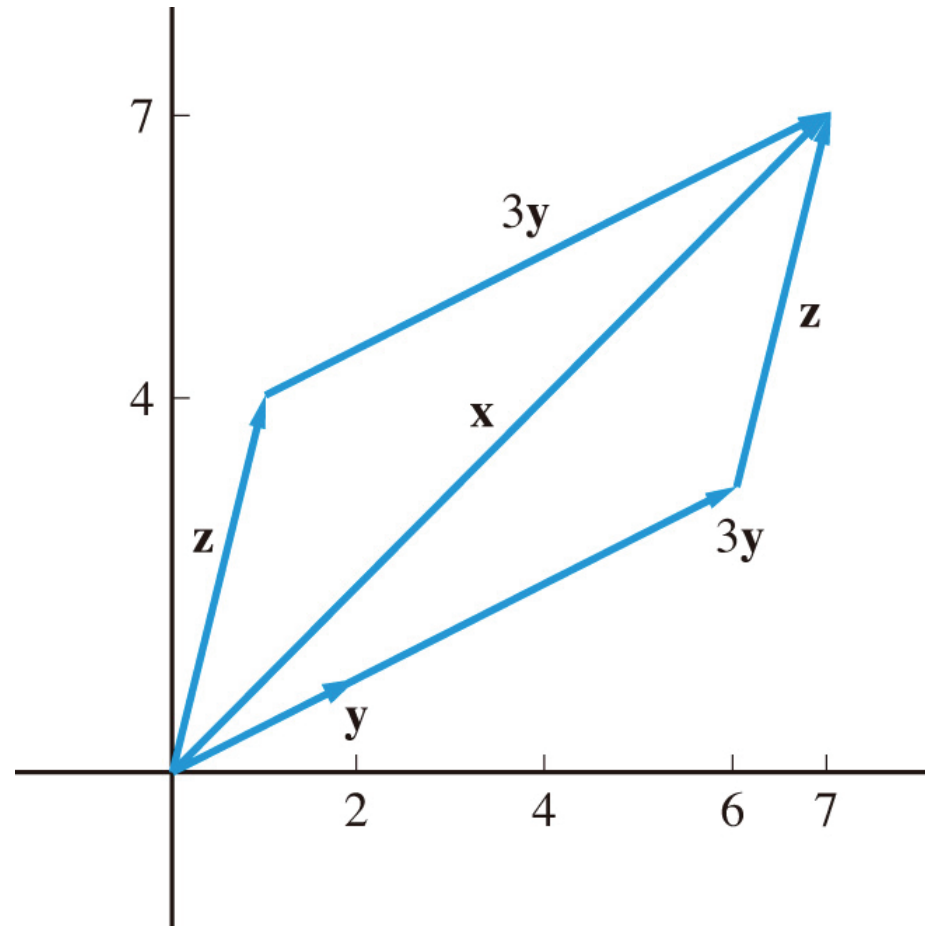
- The vector $(\alpha, \beta)^T$ is referred to as the **coordinate vector** of \mathbf{x} with respect to the **ordered basis** $[\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}]$

Example 1

- Let $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{z} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$
- Since $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 7 \neq 0$, the vector \mathbf{y} and \mathbf{z} are linearly independent and hence form a basis for R^2
- For example, $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = 3\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z}$

 \Rightarrow The coordinate vector of \mathbf{x} with respect to $[\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}]$ is $(3, 1)^T$

Figure 3.5.1



Changing Coordinates

Example

- Let $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ be the new basis
- Let us consider two problems:

I. $[\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2] \Rightarrow [\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$

Given a vector $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2)^T$, find its coordinates with respect to \mathbf{u}_1 and \mathbf{u}_2

II. $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2] \Rightarrow [\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2]$

Given a vector $\mathbf{x} = c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2$, find its coordinates with respect to \mathbf{e}_1 and \mathbf{e}_2

- Since $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 3\mathbf{e}_1 + 2\mathbf{e}_2$ and $\mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} &= c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 = c_1(3\mathbf{e}_1 + 2\mathbf{e}_2) + c_2(\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2) \\ &= (3c_1 + c_2)\mathbf{e}_1 + (2c_1 + c_2)\mathbf{e}_2\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 3c_1 + c_2, x_2 = 2c_1 + c_2$$

Example (con.)

- Thus the coordinate vector of $c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2$ with respect to $[\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2]$ is

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3c_1 + c_2 \\ 2c_1 + c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U = (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = U \mathbf{c}$$

- U is called the **transition matrix** from the ordered basis $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$ to the standard basis $[\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2]$
- Since U is nonsingular (why?)
 $\Rightarrow \mathbf{c} = U^{-1} \mathbf{x}$
- U^{-1} is the **transition matrix** from $[\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 [\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2] & \xrightarrow{\quad U \quad} & [\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2] \\
 \\
 \mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{x} = U\mathbf{c} \quad (\mathbf{c} = U^{-1}\mathbf{x}) \\ c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 = x_1\mathbf{e}_1 + x_2\mathbf{e}_2 \end{array} & \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}$$

Example 2

- Let $\mathbf{u}_1 = (3, 2)^T$, $\mathbf{u}_2 = (1, 1)^T$, $\mathbf{x} = (7, 4)^T$, find the coordinates of \mathbf{x} with respect to \mathbf{u}_1 and \mathbf{u}_2
- *Sol:*
- The transition matrix from $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2]$ is

$$U = (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Thus, the transition matrix from $[\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$ is

$$U^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example 2 (con.)

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{c} = U^{-1}\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 = 3\mathbf{u}_1 - 2\mathbf{u}_2$$

$$\textbf{Verification: } 3\mathbf{u}_1 - 2\mathbf{u}_2 = 3\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - 2\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{x}$$

Example 3

- Let $\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, find the transition matrix from $[\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2]$ and determine the coordinates of $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ with respect to $[\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2]$

• *Sol:*

- The transition matrix from $[\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2]$ is

$$\mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{b}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Thus, the transition matrix from $[\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2]$ is

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

Example 3 (con.)

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = 7\mathbf{b}_1 + 3\mathbf{b}_2$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 [\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2] & \xrightarrow{\quad \mathbf{S} \quad} & [\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2] \\
 \mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{d} \text{ (} \mathbf{d} = \mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{c} \text{)} \\ d_1\mathbf{v}_1 + d_2\mathbf{v}_2 = c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 \end{array} & \mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}$$

- Let $S = \begin{bmatrix} s_{11} & s_{12} \\ s_{21} & s_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ be the transition matrix from an ordered basis $[\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2]$ of R^2 to another ordered basis $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$, then since $\mathbf{v}_1 = 1 \mathbf{v}_1 + 0 \mathbf{v}_2$

\Rightarrow The coordinate vector of \mathbf{v}_1 with respect to $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$ is

$$s_1 = \begin{bmatrix} s_{11} & s_{12} \\ s_{21} & s_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_{11} \\ s_{21} \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{v}_1 = s_{11} \mathbf{u}_1 + s_{21} \mathbf{u}_2$$

Similarly, $\mathbf{v}_2 = 0 \mathbf{v}_1 + 1 \mathbf{v}_2$

\Rightarrow The coordinate vector of \mathbf{v}_2 with respect to $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$ is

$$s_2 = \begin{bmatrix} s_{11} & s_{12} \\ s_{21} & s_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_{12} \\ s_{22} \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{v}_2 = s_{12} \mathbf{u}_1 + s_{22} \mathbf{u}_2$$

Thus, $\mathbf{v}_1 = s_{11} \mathbf{u}_1 + s_{21} \mathbf{u}_2$ and $\mathbf{v}_2 = s_{12} \mathbf{u}_1 + s_{22} \mathbf{u}_2$



**Represent \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 as the linear combination of \mathbf{u}_1 and \mathbf{u}_2
will get the transition matrix S from $[\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$**

- Assume a given vector \mathbf{x} , its coordinates with respect to $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ are known:

$$\mathbf{x} = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2$$

we must find scalars d_1 and d_2 so that

$$c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 = d_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + d_2 \mathbf{u}_2 \quad (3)$$

- If we set $V = (\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$ and $U = (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2)$, then equation (3) can be written in matrix form

$$V\mathbf{c} = U\mathbf{d}$$

It follows that

$$\mathbf{d} = U^{-1}V\mathbf{c}$$

\Rightarrow Thus, given a vector \mathbf{x} in R^2 and its coordinate vector \mathbf{c} with respect to the ordered basis $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$, to find the coordinate vector of \mathbf{x} with respect to the new basis $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$, we simply multiply \mathbf{c} by the transition matrix $S = U^{-1}V$.

Example 4

- Represent \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 as the linear combination of \mathbf{u}_1 and \mathbf{u}_2 will get the transition matrix S from $[\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$, where $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- *Sol:*

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = s_{11} \mathbf{u}_1 + s_{21} \mathbf{u}_2 = s_{11} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + s_{21} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3s_{11} + s_{21} \\ 2s_{11} + s_{21} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = s_{12} \mathbf{u}_1 + s_{22} \mathbf{u}_2 = s_{12} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + s_{22} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3s_{12} + s_{22} \\ 2s_{12} + s_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

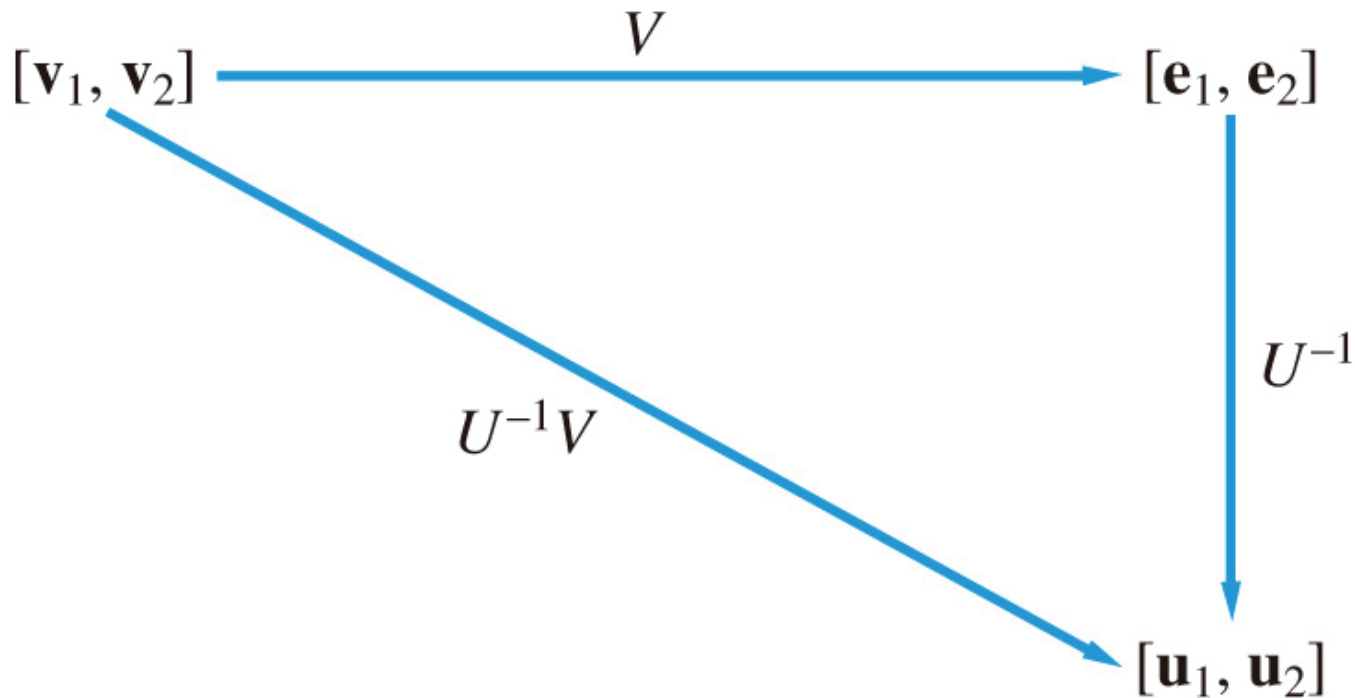
$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3s_{11} + s_{21} \\ 2s_{11} + s_{21} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} s_{11} \\ s_{21} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3s_{12} + s_{22} \\ 2s_{12} + s_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} s_{12} \\ s_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \begin{bmatrix} s_{11} & s_{12} \\ s_{21} & s_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

is the transition matrix from $[\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$

Figure 3.5.2



- $V\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{x}$ and $U^{-1}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c} \Rightarrow U^{-1}V\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{c}$
- $U^{-1}V$ is the transition matrix from $[\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$

Example

- The transition matrix from $[\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$ is given by

$$U^{-1}V = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -4 & -5 \end{bmatrix} = S$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Change of Basis for a General Vector Space Definition

Let V be a vector space and let $E = [\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n]$ be an ordered basis for V . If \mathbf{v} is any element of V , then \mathbf{v} can be written in the form

$$\mathbf{v} = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \mathbf{v}_n$$

where c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n are scalars. Thus we can associate with each vector \mathbf{v} a unique vector $\mathbf{c} = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)^T$ in \mathbb{R}^n . The vector \mathbf{c} defined in this way is called the *coordinate vector* of \mathbf{v} with respect to the ordered basis E and is denoted $[\mathbf{v}]_E$. The c_i 's are called the *coordinates* of \mathbf{v} relative to E .

Example 5

Let $E = [\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3] = [(1, 1, 1)^T, (2, 3, 2)^T, (1, 5, 4)^T]$,

$F = [\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3] = [(1, 1, 0)^T, (1, 2, 0)^T, (1, 2, 1)^T]$,

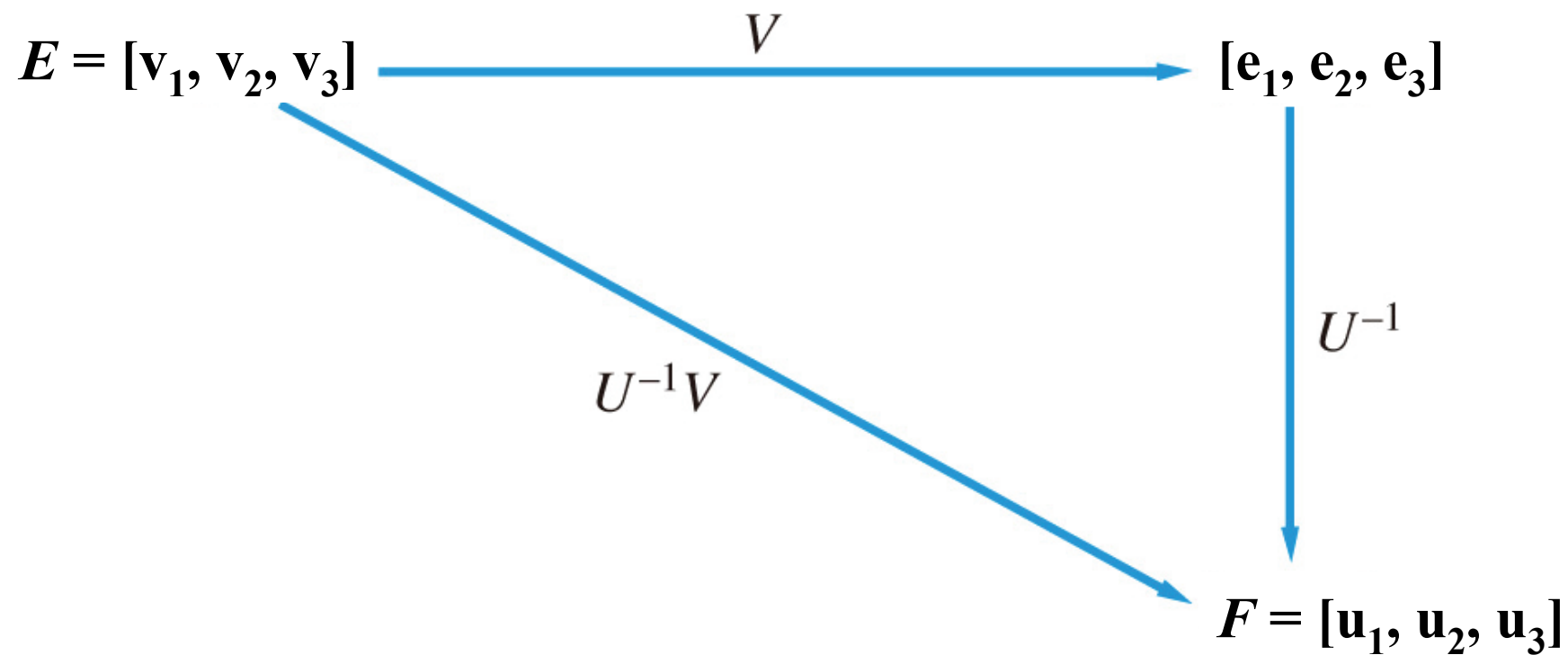
(1) Find the transition matrix from E to F .

(2) If $\mathbf{x} = 3\mathbf{v}_1 + 2\mathbf{v}_2 - \mathbf{v}_3$ and $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{v}_1 - 3\mathbf{v}_2 + 2\mathbf{v}_3$

Find the coordinates of \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} with respect to the ordered basis F .

Example 5

• *Sol:*



(1)

$$\begin{aligned} U^{-1}V &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$(2) \quad [\mathbf{x}]_F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[\mathbf{y}]_F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Verify:

$$\begin{aligned} 8\mathbf{u}_1 - 5\mathbf{u}_2 + 3\mathbf{u}_3 &= 3\mathbf{v}_1 + 2\mathbf{v}_2 - \mathbf{v}_3 \\ -8\mathbf{u}_1 + 2\mathbf{u}_2 + 3\mathbf{u}_3 &= \mathbf{v}_1 - 3\mathbf{v}_2 + 2\mathbf{v}_3 \end{aligned}$$

Example 6

- Find the transition matrix from $[1, 2x, 4x^2 - 2]$ to $[1, x, x^2]$ and the coordinates of $P(x) = a + bx + cx^2$ with respect to $[1, 2x, 4x^2 - 2]$.

- Sol:*

- Since

$$1 = 1 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2$$

$$2x = 0 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2$$

$$4x^2 - 2 = -2 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot x + 4 \cdot x^2$$

\Rightarrow The transition matrix from $[1, 2x, 4x^2-2]$ to $[1, x, x^2]$

is

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

\Rightarrow The transition matrix from $[1, x, x^2]$ to $[1, 2x, 4x^2-2]$

is

$$S^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow The coordinates of $P(x) = a + bx + cx^2$ with respect to $[1, 2x, 4x^2 - 2]$ is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a + \frac{1}{2}c \\ \frac{1}{2}b \\ \frac{1}{4}c \end{bmatrix}$$

Verification:

$$\begin{aligned} & (a + \frac{1}{2}c) \times 1 + (\frac{1}{2}b) \times (2x) + (\frac{1}{4}c) \times (4x^2 - 2) \\ &= a + bx + cx^2 \end{aligned}$$

3.6 Row Space and Column Space

- If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, the m vectors in $R^{1 \times n}$ corresponding to the rows of A is referred to as the **row vectors of A** and the n vectors in R^m corresponding to the columns of A is referred to as the **column vectors of A** .

Definition

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, the subspace of $R^{1 \times n}$ spanned by the row vectors of A is called the *row space of A* . The subspace of R^m spanned by the column vectors of A is called the *column space of A* .

Example 1

- Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- The row space of A :

$$\alpha[1, 0, 0] + \beta[0, 1, 0] = [\alpha, \beta, 0]$$
$$\Leftarrow \text{2-d subspace of } R^{1 \times 3}$$

The column space of A :

$$\alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} \Leftarrow \mathbf{R}^2$$

Theorem 3.6.1

Two row equivalent matrices have the same row space.

Proof.

If B is row equivalent to A , then B can be formed from A by a finite sequence of row operations. Thus, the row vectors of B must be linear combinations of the row vectors of A . Consequently, the row space of B must be a subspace of the row space of A . Since A is row equivalent to B , by the same reasoning, the row space of A is a subspace of the row space of B .

Definition

The **rank** of a matrix A is the dimension of the row space of A .

- In Example 1, $\text{rank}(A) = 2$
- To determine the rank of a matrix, we can reduce the matrix to row echelon form. The nonzero rows of the row echelon matrix will form a basis for the row space.

Example 2

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & -5 & 1 \\ 1 & -4 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = U$$

$\Rightarrow (1, -2, 3)$ and $(0, 1, 5)$ will form a basis for the row space of U

$$\Rightarrow \text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(U) = 2$$

Linear Systems

- Consider the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} + \cdots + x_n \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \mathbf{a}_n$$

$\Rightarrow A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent if and only if \mathbf{b} is in the column space of A

Theorem 3.6.2

(Consistency Theorem for Linear Systems)

A linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent if and only if \mathbf{b} is in the column space of A .

Note

- If $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$, the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ becomes

$$x_1\mathbf{a}_1 + x_2\mathbf{a}_2 + \dots + x_n\mathbf{a}_n = \mathbf{0}$$

$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ will have only the trivial solution $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ iff the column vectors of A are linearly independent.

Theorem 3.6.3

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. The linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent for every $\mathbf{b} \in R^m$ iff the column vectors of A span R^m . The system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has at most one solution for every $\mathbf{b} \in R^m$ iff the column vectors of A are linearly independent.

Note

- Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. If the n column vector of A span R^m , then $n \geq m$. If the n columns of A are linearly independent, then $n \leq m$.
 \Rightarrow If the column vectors of A form a basis for R^m , then $n = m$.

Corollary 3.6.4

An $n \times n$ matrix A is nonsingular if and only if the column vectors of A form a basis for R^n .

- *Proof*
- Since A is nonsingular (A is invertible)
Thus, all column of A are linearly independent
These n column vectors form a basis for R^n .

Definition

The dimension of the nullspace of a matrix is called the **nullity** of the matrix ($\dim N(A)$)

Theorem 3.6.5

(The Rank-Nullity Theorem)

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, then the rank of A plus the nullity of A equals n .

- *Proof*
- Let U be the row echelon form of A
 $\text{Rank}(A) = r =$ the number of nonzero rows in U (r lead variables)
Nullity of $A =$ the number of free variables $= n - r$

Example 3

- Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$,

find a basis for the row space of A and a basis for $N(A)$. Verify that $\dim N(A) = n - r$

- Sol:***
- The reduced row echelon form of A is $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- Thus, $\{[1, 2, 0, 3], [0, 0, 1, 2]\}$ is a basis for the row space of A and $\text{rank}(A) = 2$

- $$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_4 = 0$$

$$x_3 + 2x_4 = 0$$

lead variable: $x_1, x_3 \Rightarrow \text{rank} = 2$

free variable: $x_2, x_4 \Rightarrow \dim N(A) = 2$

- Let $x_2 = \alpha, x_4 = \beta$, then

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2\alpha - 3\beta \\ \alpha \\ -2\beta \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2\alpha \\ \alpha \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -3\beta \\ 0 \\ -2\beta \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow (-2, 1, 0, 0)^T$ and $(-3, 0, -2, 1)^T$ form a basis for $N(A)$

$\Rightarrow \dim N(A) = 2 = n - r = 4 - 2$

The Column Space

- If U is the row echelon form of A , then A and U have the same row space (**Theorem 3.6.1**); But A and U have the different column space, since $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ if and only if $U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$, their column vectors satisfy the same dependency relations

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem 3.6.6

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, the dimension of the row space of A equals the dimension of the column space of A .

- To find the column space of A , we can use the row echelon form U of A by determining the columns of U that corresponds to the lead 1's. These same columns of A will be linearly independent and form a basis for the column space of A .

Example 4

- Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 & 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 & 13 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = (\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{a}_4, \mathbf{a}_5)$

- The row echelon form of A is

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

The lead variables are x_1, x_2, x_5

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{a}_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

form a basis for the column space of A .

$$\Rightarrow \text{rank}(A) = 3$$

Example 5

- The subspace $\text{Span}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4)$ is the same as the column space of the matrix:

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{x}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 8 \\ -5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- *Sol:*
- The subspace $\text{Span}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4)$ is the same as the column space of the matrix:

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 & 8 \\ -1 & -3 & -2 & -5 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{x}_1 \quad \mathbf{x}_2 \quad \mathbf{x}_3 \quad \mathbf{x}_4$

- The row echelon form of X is

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

The lead variables are $x_1, x_2 \Rightarrow \text{rank}(X) = 2$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x}_1$ and \mathbf{x}_2 form a basis of the column space of X .

$\Rightarrow \dim \text{Span}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4) = 2$