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Summary: ■ Linear combinations are finite:  $\sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i v^i$

( $X, F$ ) vector space: ■  $\{v^1, \dots, v^k\}$  linearly independent if the only solution to  $\alpha_1 v^1 + \dots + \alpha_k v^k = 0$  is the

trivial solution  $\alpha_1 = 0, \dots, \alpha_k = 0$ . Otherwise

the set is linearly dependent [ $\exists \alpha_i \in F$  NOT all

zero such that  $\alpha_1 v^1 + \dots + \alpha_k v^k = 0$ ].

■  $S \subset X$  <sup>(non-empty)</sup>  $\checkmark$  subset:  $\text{span}\{S\} = \{\text{all linear combinations}\}$

$\text{span}\{S\}$  is always a subspace.

■ If the zero vector is in a set, then the set is linearly dependent  $0 \in S \Rightarrow S$  linearly dependent.

■ For Thursday, study the definition of eigenvalues and eigenvectors

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# TODAY

Def. A set of vectors  $B$  is a basis for  $(X, \mathcal{F})$  if

- $B$  is linearly independent
- $X = \text{span}\{B\}$

## Examples

### 1. Natural Basis Vectors

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (\mathbb{F}^n, \mathcal{F}) \\ (\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}) \\ (\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C}) \\ (\mathbb{Q}^n, \mathbb{Q}) \end{array} \right\} e^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, e^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \dots, e^n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

### 2. $(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{R})$ a basis is

$$\{e^1, e^2, \dots, e^n, j e^1, j e^2, \dots, j e^n\}.$$

### 3. $(\mathbb{P}(t), \mathbb{R})$ a basis is

$$\{1, t, t^2, t^3, \dots\} \quad (\text{set of monomials})$$

## Non-examples

- $(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{R})$  then  $\{e^1, \dots, e^n\}$  is not a basis because  $\text{span}\{e^1, \dots, e^n\} \neq \mathbb{C}^n$ . Indeed,  $je^1 \notin \text{span}\{e^1, \dots, e^n\}$ .
- $(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C})$   $\{e^1, \dots, e^n, je^1, \dots, je^n\}$  is not a basis because the set is linearly dependent.

$$(\mathbb{C}^2, \mathbb{R}), \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} 2+j \\ -4-6j \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{2e^1}_{\uparrow} - \underbrace{4e^2}_{\uparrow} + \underbrace{j(e^1 - 6je^2)}_{\uparrow}$$

$$(\mathbb{C}^2, \mathbb{C}) \quad x = (2+j)e^1 + (-4-6j)e^2$$

Dimension Def. Let  $n \geq 1$  be a finite integer.  $(X, \mathcal{F})$  has dimension  $n$  if

- a)  $\exists$  a set of  $n$  vectors in  $X$  that is linearly independent.

b) Every set of  $n+1$  vectors is linearly dependent.  $\square$

Def  $(X, \mathcal{F})$  is infinite dimensional if  $\forall n \geq 1$ ,  $\exists$  a set of  $n$  linearly independent vectors.

### Examples

1.  $\dim(\mathbb{F}^n, \mathcal{F}) = n$

2.  $\dim(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathcal{F}) = 2n$

3.  $\dim(\text{PA}, \mathcal{F}) = \infty$

4.  $\dim(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{Q}) = \infty$  (not on any exam)

**Theorem:** In an  $n$ -dimensional vector space ANY set of  $n$  linearly independent vectors is a basis.

**Proof:** Let  $(X, \mathcal{F})$  be  $n$ -dimensional and let  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  be a linearly independent set.

To Show:  $\forall x \in X, \exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $x = \alpha_1 v^1 + \dots + \alpha_n v^n$

How: Because  $(X, \mathcal{F})$  is  $n$ -dimensional,  $\{x, v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  is linearly dependent. Otherwise, the  $\dim X > n$  which it isn't. Hence,  $\exists \beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_n \in \mathcal{F}$ , NOT ALL ZERO, such that  $\beta_0 x + \beta_1 v^1 + \dots + \beta_n v^n = 0$ .

Claim:  $\beta_0 \neq 0$

Proof: Suppose that  $\beta_0 = 0$ . Then

1. At least one of  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n$  is non-zero

2.  $\beta_1 v^1 + \dots + \beta_n v^n = 0$

1 and 2 above, imply that  $\{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$  is linearly dependent, which is a contradiction. Hence  $\beta_0 = 0$  cannot hold. Completing the proof, we write

$$\beta_0 x = -\beta_1 v^1 - \dots - \beta_n v^n$$

$$x = \left( \frac{-\beta_1}{\beta_0} \right) v^1, \dots, \left( \frac{-\beta_n}{\beta_0} \right) v^n$$

$$\therefore \alpha_1 = \frac{-\beta_1}{\beta_0}, \dots, \alpha_n = \frac{-\beta_n}{\beta_0}$$

**Proposition** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  be a vector space and suppose that  $B = \{b^1, b^2, \dots\}$  is a basis for  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$ . Let  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  and suppose that

$$x = \alpha_1 b^1 + \dots + \alpha_k b^k$$

and

$$x = \bar{\alpha}_1 b^1 + \dots + \bar{\alpha}_k b^k$$

Then,  $\alpha_i = \bar{\alpha}_i$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .

Only one way to write  $x$  as a linear combination of the basis elements.

**Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = x - x &= (\alpha_1 b^1 + \dots + \alpha_k b^k) - (\bar{\alpha}_1 b^1 + \dots + \bar{\alpha}_k b^k) \\ &= (\alpha_1 - \bar{\alpha}_1) b^1 + \dots + (\alpha_k - \bar{\alpha}_k) b^k \end{aligned}$$

Because  $\{b^1, \dots, b^k\} \subset B$  implies that  $\{b^1, \dots, b^k\}$  is linearly independent, we deduce that  $\alpha_i - \bar{\alpha}_i = 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .

In other words, the “representation of a vector”  $x$  in terms of a given basis  $B$  is unique: if I compute one representation and you compute another, we both get the same answer.

## Representations of Vectors

(or, how we can do most of our abstract linear algebra calculations in MATLAB)

Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector space. Let  $v = \{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$

and let  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ .

unique

$$x \in X \longleftrightarrow \alpha_1 v^1 + \cdots + \alpha_n v^n$$

unique

$$\longleftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{F}^n$$

Def.  $\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix}$  is the representation of  $x \in X$

with respect to a basis  $v = \{v^1, \dots, v^n\}$

if  $x = \alpha_1 v^1 + \alpha_2 v^2 + \cdots + \alpha_n v^n$  D

- To emphasize the dependence on the basis, we will often write

$$[x]_v = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} \quad (\longleftrightarrow x = \alpha_1 v^1 + \alpha_2 v^2 + \cdots + \alpha_n v^n)$$

**Example:**  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{X} = \{2 \times 2 \text{ matrices with real coefficients}\}$

Basis 1:  $v^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, v^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, v^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, v^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Basis 2:  $w^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, w^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, w^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, w^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 5v^1 + 3v^2 + 1v^3 + 4v^4$$

Therefore,  $[x]_v = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ .

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 5w^1 + 2w^2 + 1w^3 + 4w^4$$

Therefore,  $[x]_w = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ .

\* 4 simultaneous equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \alpha_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark 1) Change basis, change the representation.

2) The order a basis is given

in matters. Nagy calls a basis  $\{v^1, v^2, \dots, v^n\}$  an **ordered basis**. In ROB 501, all bases we use are ordered.  $\square$

Easy Facts:

1. Addition of vectors in  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}) \equiv$  Addition of the representations in  $(\mathcal{F}^n, \mathcal{F})$ .

$$[x + y]_v = [x]_v + [y]_v$$

2. Scalar multiplication in  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}) \equiv$  Scalar multiplication with the representations in  $(\mathcal{F}^n, \mathcal{F})$ .

$$[\alpha x]_v = \alpha[x]_v$$

3. Once a basis is chosen, any n-dimensional vector space  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$  "looks like"  $(\mathcal{F}^n, \mathcal{F})$ .

$$(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}) \xleftrightarrow{\text{basis}} (\mathcal{F}^n, \mathcal{F})$$

**Change of Basis Matrix:** Let  $\{u^1, \dots, u^n\}$  and  $\{\bar{u}^1, \dots, \bar{u}^n\}$  be two bases for  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$ . Is there a relation between  $[x]_u$  and  $[x]_{\bar{u}}$ ?

## Change of Basis Matrix

Let  $\{u^1, \dots, u^n\}$  be a basis for  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F})$ .

Let  $\{\bar{u}^1, \dots, \bar{u}^n\}$  be another basis.

What is the relation between

$[x]_{\bar{u}}$  and  $[x]_u$  ???

Theorem,  $\exists$  an invertible non matrix  $P$  with coefficients in  $\mathbb{F}$  such that,  $\forall x \in X$

$$[x]_{\bar{u}} = P [x]_u .$$

Moreover,  $P = [P_1 | P_2 | \dots | P_n]$  with

$$P_i = [u^i]_{\bar{u}}$$

Proof. Let  $x \in X$ , hence,

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i u^i = \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\alpha}_i \bar{u}^i$$

$$\therefore [x]_u = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} \quad [x]_{\bar{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\alpha}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \bar{\alpha}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{x} = [x]_{\bar{u}} = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\alpha}_i \bar{u}^i \right]_{\bar{u}}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\alpha}_i \underbrace{[u^i]_{\bar{u}}}_{P_i}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i P_i$$

$$= [P_1 | P_2 | \dots | P_n] \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= P\alpha$$

$$\therefore \bar{\alpha} = P\alpha, \quad P_i = [u^i]_{\bar{u}}$$

Invertibility of  $P$ ?

By the same reasoning,

$$\alpha = \bar{P}\bar{\alpha}, \quad \text{Hence}$$

$$\bar{\alpha} = P\alpha = P\bar{P}\bar{\alpha} \Rightarrow P\bar{P} = I.$$

$$\alpha = \bar{P}\bar{\alpha} = \bar{P}P\alpha \Rightarrow \bar{P}P = I.$$

$\therefore \bar{P} = (P)^{-1}$  and hence  $P$  is invertible. D

Do the following example on Thur.

**Example:**  $\mathcal{X} = \{2 \times 2 \text{ matrices with real coefficients}\}$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}$ .

$$u = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\bar{u} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

We have following relations:

$$\alpha = P\bar{\alpha}, P_i = [u^i]_{\bar{u}}, \bar{\alpha} = \bar{P}\alpha, \bar{P}_i = [\bar{u}^i]_u. (\bar{P}^{-1} = P, P^{-1} = \bar{P})$$

Typically, compute the easier of  $P$  or  $\bar{P}$ , and compute the other by inverse.

We choose to compute  $\bar{P}$

$$\bar{P}_1 = [\bar{u}^1]_u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{P}_2 = [\bar{u}^2]_u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{P}_3 = [\bar{u}^3]_u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{P}_4 = [\bar{u}^4]_u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \bar{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } P = \bar{P}^{-1}$$

