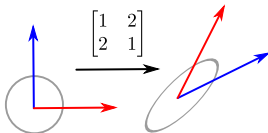


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# MAT A22

## Linear Algebra 1

$$|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|$$

$A = [a_{ij}]$   
 $A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $A(a\mathbf{u} + b\mathbf{v}) = aA\mathbf{u} + bA\mathbf{v}$

$A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$

$\det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = ad - bc$

# MAT A22: Linear Algebra 1 for Mathematical Sciences (Winter 2022)

Welcome to Week 8 of the course.

Questions? Thoughts? Comments?

Readings:

- ▶ 5.4 Rank of a Matrix
- ▶ 5.5 Similarity and Diagonalization

News and Reminders:

- ▶ Homework #4 Thursday March 10th at 13:00.

# The Tiniest Example

## Question

Let  $\vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $S = \{\vec{u}\}$ .

For which vectors  $\vec{u}$  is  $S$  linearly independent?

If  $\vec{u} = \vec{0}_n$ , then  $S$  is dependent.

If  $\vec{u} \neq \vec{0}_n$ , then  $S$  is independent.

As a consequence,  $S = \{\vec{u}\}$  is independent if and only if  $\vec{u} \neq \vec{0}_n$ .

## An Explicit Example

### Question

Is  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  linearly independent?

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### Question

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This system of three equations in three variables has the unique solution  $a = b = c = 0$ . Therefore,  $\{\vec{u} + \vec{v}, 2\vec{u} + \vec{w}, \vec{v} - 5\vec{w}\}$  is independent.

## An Abstract Example

### Question

Let  $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $U_1 = \text{span}\{\vec{x}, \vec{y}\}$ , and  $U_2 = \text{span}\{2\vec{x} - \vec{y}, 2\vec{y} + \vec{x}\}$ . Prove that  $U_1 = U_2$ .

Since  $2\vec{x} - \vec{y}, 2\vec{y} + \vec{x} \in U_1$ , it follows that:  $\text{span}\{2\vec{x} - \vec{y}, 2\vec{y} + \vec{x}\} \subseteq U_1$ .

That is:  $U_2 \subseteq U_1$ .

We calculate:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{x} &= \frac{2}{5}(2\vec{x} - \vec{y}) + \frac{1}{5}(2\vec{y} + \vec{x}), \\ \vec{y} &= -\frac{1}{5}(2\vec{x} - \vec{y}) + \frac{2}{5}(2\vec{y} + \vec{x}),\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in U_2$ . We get:  $\text{span}\{\vec{x}, \vec{y}\} \subseteq U_2$ . That is:  $U_1 \subseteq U_2$ .



# Null is a Span

## Example

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix, and let  $\{\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$  denote a set of basic solutions to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}_m$ . Then  $\vec{x}_i \in \text{null}(A)$  for each  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ . It follows that

$$\text{span}\{\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_k\} \subseteq \text{null}(A).$$

Conversely, every solution to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}_m$  can be expressed as a linear combination of basic solutions, implying that

$$\text{null}(A) \subseteq \text{span}\{\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}.$$

Therefore,  $\text{null}(A) = \text{span}\{\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$ .

# Image is a Span

## Example

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with columns  $\vec{c}_1, \vec{c}_2, \dots, \vec{c}_n$ .

Suppose  $\vec{y} \in \text{image}(A)$ . Then (by definition) there is a vector  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  so that  $\vec{y} = A\vec{x}$ .

Write  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n \end{bmatrix}^T$ . Then

$$\vec{y} = A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{c}_1 & \vec{c}_2 & \dots & \vec{c}_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = x_1\vec{c}_1 + x_2\vec{c}_2 + \dots + x_n\vec{c}_n.$$

Therefore,  $\vec{y} \in \text{span}\{\vec{c}_1, \vec{c}_2, \dots, \vec{c}_n\}$ , implying that

$$\text{image}(A) \subseteq \text{span}\{\vec{c}_1, \vec{c}_2, \dots, \vec{c}_n\}.$$

# Find a Basis

## Question

Let

$$U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid a - b = d - c \right\}.$$

Show that  $U$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ , find a basis of  $U$ , and find  $\dim(U)$ .

1.  $U$  is the null space of  $T_A : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by:

$$T_A \left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right) = [1 \quad -1 \quad 1 \quad -1] \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = a - b + c - d$$

Therefore, it is a subspace.

2.  $U$  is spanned by the basic solutions of  $a - b + c - d = 0$ :

$$U = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus,  $\dim(U) = 3$ .

# Invertible Matrices and Bases

## Question

*Suppose that  $B = \{\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_n\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and that  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  invertible matrix. Let  $D = \{A\vec{x}_1, A\vec{x}_2, \dots, A\vec{x}_n\}$ . Prove that  $D$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .*

## Context for Extra Problems

### Definition

If  $U$  and  $V$  are subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  then we can form a sum subspace:

$$U + V = \{u + v : u \in U \text{ and } v \in V\}$$

If every vector in  $U + V$  can be written uniquely, then we call the sum a direct sum and write:

$$U + V = U \oplus V$$

### Example

$$\mathbb{R}^2 = \{[x, 0]^T : x \in \mathbb{R}\} \oplus \{[0, y]^T : y \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

### Question

*What's an example of a sum of subspaces that is not direct?*

## Extra Problems (1)

### Question

Let  $V = F(\mathbb{R})$  be the real vector space of functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Define

$$V_e = \{f \in V \mid f(-x) = f(x) \ \forall x \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$V_o = \{f \in V \mid f(-x) = -f(x) \ \forall x \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

- ▶ Prove that  $V = V_e \oplus V_o$ .
- ▶ Give the decomposition of the function  $f(x) = e^x$  according to the above direct sum.

## Extra Problems (2)

### Question

*Suppose  $U$  and  $W$  are both five-dimensional subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^9$ . Prove that  $U \cap W \neq \{0\}$ .*



## Extra Problems (3)

### Question

*Check if the following statement is true. If it's true, prove it. If not, show a counter example.*

$$\{M_{n \times n}\} = \{S_{y_{n \times n}}\} \oplus \{S_{k_{n \times n}}\}$$

*where  $\{S_{y_{n \times n}}\}$  means the set of all  $n$  by  $n$  symmetric matrices and  $\{S_{k_{n \times n}}\}$  means the set of all  $n$  by  $n$  skew symmetric matrices.*