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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \star & \star \\ 0 & 1 & \star & \star \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \star & \star \\ 0 & 1 & \star & \star \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}$$

$$A = [a_{ij}]$$

$$A : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$A(a\mathbf{u} + b\mathbf{v}) = aA\mathbf{u} + bA\mathbf{v}$$

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

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

Welcome to Week 7 of the course.

Questions? Thoughts? Comments?

#### Readings:

Subspaces

#### News and Reminders:

▶ Welcome back!

### Subspaces

#### Definition

A subset U of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  if:

- S1. The zero vector of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\vec{0}$ , is in U;
- S2. *U* is closed under addition: for all  $\vec{u}, \vec{w} \in U \Rightarrow \vec{u} + \vec{w} \in U$ ;
- S3. *U* is closed under scalar multiplication: for all  $\vec{u} \in U$  and  $k \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow k\vec{u} \in U$ .

## Is It a Subspace? (Part 1)

### Question

$$U = \left\{ \left[egin{array}{c} 1 \ s \ t \end{array}
ight] \ \left| egin{array}{c} s,t \in \mathbb{R} \end{array}
ight\}$$

Is U a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? Justify your answer.

## Is It a Subspace? (Part 2)

#### Question

$$U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \middle| x^2 + y^2 = 0 \quad and \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Is U a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? Justify your answer.

## Build an Almost Subspace

#### Question

Find a non-empty subset  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  such that: U is closed under scalar multiplication but U is NOT closed under addition.

## The Zero Subspace

### Question

- Prove that  $\{\vec{0}\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- ▶ Prove that  $\{\vec{0}\} \subseteq V$  for any subspace V of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

## Three Abstract Subspaces

### Question

Let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Prove that the following are all subspaces.

- ▶  $null(A) = {\vec{x} : A\vec{x} = \vec{0}}.$
- $\blacktriangleright E_{\lambda} = \{\vec{x} : A\vec{x} = \lambda \vec{x}\}.$

## Express as an Image

#### Question

Express the following subspace as an image of linear transformation.

$$U = \left\{ \left[ egin{array}{c} a \ a+2b \ b \end{array} 
ight] \ \left| \ a,b \in \mathbb{R} 
ight\}$$

Formally: Find a matrix A such that U = image(A).

### **Spanning Sets**

#### Definition

Let  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then the vector

$$\vec{x} = t_1 \vec{x_1} + t_2 \vec{x_2} + \dots + t_k \vec{x_k}$$

is called a linear combination of the vectors  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_k$ . The set of **all** linear combinations of  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_k$  is called the span of  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_k$ , and is written

$$\mathsf{span}\{\vec{x_1},\vec{x_2},\dots,\vec{x_k}\} = \{t_1\vec{x_1} + t_2\vec{x_2} + \dots + t_k\vec{x_k} \mid t_1,t_2,\dots,t_k \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

### **Additional Terminology.** If $U = \text{span}\{\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$ , then:

- ightharpoonup U is spanned by the vectors  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_k$ .
- ▶ the vectors  $\vec{x_1}, \vec{x_2}, \dots, \vec{x_k}$  span U.
- ▶ the set of vectors  $\{\vec{x_1}, \vec{x_2}, \dots, \vec{x_k}\}$  is a spanning set for U.

# Adding to Linear Combination to a Span Change Nothing

#### Question

Prove: If  $\vec{\mathbf{v}}$  is in  $U = \operatorname{span}\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n\}$  then  $U = \operatorname{span}\{\vec{\mathbf{v}}, \vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n\}$ 

### Images are Spans

### Question

Prove: If  $A = [\vec{a}_1 \dots \vec{a}_n]$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix written as column vectors then

$$image(A) = span\{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n\}$$

## Independence Warm-Up

#### Question

Prove: The following are equivalent:

- Every vector in span $\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n\}$  can be written as a linear combination uniquely.
- ▶ The only way to write  $\vec{0}$  as a linear combination from span $\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n\}$  is:

$$\vec{0}=0\vec{x}_1+0\vec{x}_2+\cdots+0\vec{x}_n$$

### Linear Independence

### Definition

Let  $S = \{\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The set S is linearly independent if:

$$t_1\vec{x}_1 + t_2\vec{x}_2 + \cdots + t_k\vec{x}_k = \vec{0}_n \iff t_1 = t_2 = \cdots = t_k = 0$$

A set that is **not** linearly independent is called dependent.

## Zero Guarantees Linear Dependence

### Question

Prove: If  $\vec{0} \in \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n\}$  then  $\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n\}$  is linearly dependent.