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3.1 Euclidian Vector Spaces

Definition

A (real) n -**vector** is a collection of n ordered real numbers,

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } v_i \in \mathbb{R} \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, n.$$

The real number v_i is called the i -th coordinate of the vector \mathbf{v} . The **Euclidean n -space**, denoted \mathbb{R}^n , is the collection of all n -vectors

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \left\{ v = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} \mid v_i \in \mathbb{R} \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, n. \right\}$$

Properties of Vector Addition and Scalar Multiplication

Since vectors are matrices (column vectors are $n \times 1$ matrices and row vectors are $1 \times n$ matrices), the properties of matrix addition and scalar multiplication holds for vectors. For any vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$ and scalars $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$,

1. The sum $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is a vector in \mathbb{R}^n
2. (Commutative) $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}$
3. (Associative) $\mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w}$.
4. (Zero vector) $\mathbf{0} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}$.
5. The negative $-\mathbf{v}$ is a vector in \mathbb{R}^n such that $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$.
6. (Scalar multiple) $a\mathbf{v}$ is a vector in \mathbb{R}^n .
7. (Distribution) $a(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = a\mathbf{u} + a\mathbf{v}$.
8. (Distribution) $(a + b)\mathbf{u} = a\mathbf{u} + b\mathbf{u}$.
9. (Associativity of scalar multiplication) $(ab)\mathbf{u} = a(b\mathbf{u})$.
10. If $a\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$, then either $a = 0$ or $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$.

Definition

A **linear combination** of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is $c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + c_k\mathbf{u}_k$ for some $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}^k$.

Definition

A set V equipped with **addition** and **scalar multiplication** is said to be a **vector space** over \mathbb{R} if it satisfies the following axioms.

1. For any vectors \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} in V , the sum $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is in V .

2. (Commutative) For any vectors \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} in V , $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}$
3. (Associative) For any vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$ in V , $\mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w}$
4. (Zero vector) There is a vector $\mathbf{0}$ in V such that $\mathbf{0} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}$ for all vectors \mathbf{v} in V .
5. (Negative) For any vector \mathbf{u} in V , there exists a vector $-\mathbf{u}$ in V such that $\mathbf{u} + (-\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}$.
6. For any scalar a in \mathbb{R} and vector \mathbf{v} in V , $a\mathbf{v}$ is a vector in V .
7. (Distribution) For any scalar a in \mathbb{R} and vector \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} in V , $a(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = a\mathbf{u} + a\mathbf{v}$.
8. (Distribution) For any scalars a, b in \mathbb{R} and vector \mathbf{u} in V , $(a + b)\mathbf{u} = a\mathbf{u} + b\mathbf{u}$.
9. (Associativity of scalar multiplication) For any scalars a, b in \mathbb{R} and vector \mathbf{u} in V , $a(b\mathbf{u}) = (ab)\mathbf{u}$.
10. For any vector \mathbf{u} in V , $1\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}$.

3.2 Dot Product, Norm, Distance

Definition

The inner product (or dot product) of vectors $\mathbf{u} = (u_i)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (v_i)$ in \mathbb{R}^n is defined to be

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1v_1 + u_2v_2 + \cdots + u_nv_n.$$

Define the **norm** of a vector $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathbf{u} = (u_i)$, to be the square root of the inner product of \mathbf{u} with itself, and is denoted as $\|\mathbf{u}\|$,

$$\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}} = \sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + \cdots + u_n^2}.$$

This is also known as the **length** or **magnitude** of the vector.

Properties of inner product and norm

Let $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be vectors and $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ be real numbers.

1. Inner product is **symmetric**,

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}.$$

2. Inner product **commutes** with scalar multiple,

$$c\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = (c\mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \cdot (c\mathbf{v}).$$

3. Inner product is **distributive**,

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot (a\mathbf{v} + b\mathbf{w}) = a\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + b\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}$$

4. Inner product is **positive definite**, $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} \geq 0$ with equality if and only if $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$.

5. $\|c\mathbf{u}\| = |c| \|\mathbf{u}\|$.

Definition

A vector $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is a **unit vector** if its norm is 1,

$$\|\mathbf{u}\| = 1$$

Normalizing a vector

Let \mathbf{u} be a nonzero vector $\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}$. By multiplying by the reciprocal of the norm, we get a unit vector,

$$\mathbf{u} \longrightarrow \frac{\mathbf{u}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|}$$

This is called **normalizing** \mathbf{u} .

Definition

The **distance** between two vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} , denoted as $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$, is defined to be

$$d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|.$$

Define the angle θ between two nonzero vectors, $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$ to be such that

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

3.3 Linear Combinations and Linear Spans

Definition

A linear combination of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is

$$c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{u}_k, \text{ for some } c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k are called **coefficients**.

Let $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$ be vectors in \mathbb{R}^n . The **span** (or **linear span**) of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$ is the subset of \mathbb{R}^n containing all the linear combinations of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$,

$$\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\} = \{c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{u}_k \mid c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Algorithm to Check for Linear Combination

1. Form the $n \times k$ matrix $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{u}_k)$ whose columns are the vectors in S .
2. Then a vector \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^n is in $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ if and only if the system $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{v}$ is consistent.
3. If the system is consistent, then the solutions to the system are the possible coefficients of the linear

combination. That is, if $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_k \end{pmatrix}$ is a solution to $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{v}$, then

$$\mathbf{v} = c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{u}_k.$$

Algorithm to Check if $\text{span}(S) = \mathbb{R}^n$

Let $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ be a set of vectors in \mathbb{R}^n .

1. Form the $n \times k$ matrix $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k)$ whose columns are the vectors in S .
2. Then $\text{span}(S) = \mathbb{R}^n$ if and only if the system $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{v}$ is consistent for all \mathbf{v} .
3. This is equivalent to the reduced row-echelon form of \mathbf{A} having no zero rows.

Properties of linear span

Let $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ be a finite set of vector. The span of S , $\text{span}(S)$ has the following properties.

1. The span of S **contains the origin**,

$$\mathbf{0} \in \text{span}(S).$$

2. The span of S is **closed under vector addition**, for any $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \text{span}(S)$, and real number $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \in \text{span}(S)$$

3. The span S is **closed under scalar multiplication**, for any $\mathbf{u} \in \text{span}(S)$ and real number $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\alpha \mathbf{u} \in \text{span}(S).$$

Properties (ii) and (iii) can be combined together into one property (ii'): The span is closed under linear combinations, that is, if \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} are vectors in $\text{span}(S)$ and α, β are any scalars, then the linear combination $\alpha \mathbf{u} + \beta \mathbf{v}$ is a vector in $\text{span}(S)$.

Theorem

(Linear span is closed under linear combinations)

Let $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ be a set of vectors in \mathbb{R}^n . For any vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m$ in $\text{span}(S)$, the span of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m$ is a subset of $\text{span}(S)$,

$$\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m\} \subseteq \text{span}(S).$$

Algorithm to check for Set Relations between Spans

Suppose we are given 2 sets of vectors $T = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m\}$ and $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$.

1. By the corollary, if $\mathbf{v}_i \in \text{span}(S)$ for $i = 1, \dots, m$, we can conclude that $\text{span}(T) \subseteq \text{span}(S)$.
2. Recall that to check if $\mathbf{v}_i \in \text{span}(S)$, we check that the system $(\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{u}_k \mid \mathbf{v}_i)$ is consistent for all $i = 1, \dots, m$.
3. There are in total m such linear systems to check. However, since they have the same coefficient matrix, we may combine and check them together, that is, check that

$$(\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{u}_k \mid \mathbf{v}_1 \mid \mathbf{v}_2 \mid \dots \mid \mathbf{v}_m)$$

is consistent.

Theorem

(Algorithm to check for set relations between spans)

Let $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ and $T = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m\}$ be sets of vectors in \mathbb{R}^n . Then $\text{span}(T) \subseteq \text{span}(S)$ if and only if $(\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{u}_k \mid \mathbf{v}_1 \mid \mathbf{v}_2 \mid \dots \mid \mathbf{v}_m)$ is consistent.

3.4 Subspaces

Definition

The set of solutions to a linear system $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ can be expressed **implicitly** as

$$V = \{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \mathbf{Au} = \mathbf{b}\}$$

or **explicitly** as

$$V = \{\mathbf{u} + s_1\mathbf{v}_1 + s_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + s_k\mathbf{v}_k \mid s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k \in \mathbb{R}\},$$

where $\mathbf{u} + s_1\mathbf{v}_1 + s_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + s_k\mathbf{v}_k$, $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k \in \mathbb{R}$ is the general solution.

Definition

A subset V of \mathbb{R}^n is a **subspace** if it satisfies the following properties.

1. V **contains the zero vector**, $\mathbf{0} \in V$.
2. V is **closed under scalar multiplication**. For any vector. v in V and scalar α , the vector $\alpha\mathbf{v}$ is in V .
3. V is **closed under addition**. For any vectors \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} in V , the sum $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is in V .

Property (i) can be replaced with property (i'): V is **nonempty**.

Properties (ii) and (iii) is equivalent to property (ii'): V is **closed under linear combination**. For any \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} in V , and scalars α, β , the linear combination $\alpha\mathbf{u} + \beta\mathbf{v}$ is in V .

Theorem

(Solution set of a homogeneous system is a subspace)

The solution set $V = \{\mathbf{u} \mid \mathbf{Au} = \mathbf{b}\}$ to a linear system $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ is a **subspace** if and only if $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$, that is, the system is **homogeneous**.

Definition

The **solution set** to a **homogeneous system** is call a **solution space**.

Theorem

(Subspaces are equivalent to linear spans)

A subset $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a subspace if and only if it is a linear span, $V = \text{span}(S)$, for some finite set $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$.

Check if a set is a subspace

To show that a set V is a subspace, we can either

- find a spanning set, that is, find a set S such that $V = \text{span}(s)$, or
- show that V satisfies the 3 conditions of being a subspace.

To show that a subset V is not a subspace, we can either

- show that it does not contain the zero vector, $\mathbf{0} \notin V$,
- find a vector $\mathbf{v} \in V$ and a scalar $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\alpha\mathbf{v} \notin V$, or
- find vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V$ such that the sum is not in V , $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \notin V$.

Theorem

(Affine spaces)

The solution set $W = \{ \mathbf{w} \mid \mathbf{A}\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{b} \}$ of a non-homogeneous linear system $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, $\mathbf{b} \neq \mathbf{0}$, is given by

$$\mathbf{u} + V := \{ \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \mid \mathbf{v} \in V \}$$

where $V = \{ \mathbf{v} \mid \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0} \}$ is the solution space to the associated homogeneous system and \mathbf{u} is a particular solution, $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{b}$.

That is, vectors in $\mathbf{u} + V$ are of the form $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ for some \mathbf{v} in V .

3.5 Linear Independence

Definition

A set $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ is linearly independent if the only coefficients $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the equation

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

are $c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_k = 0$. Otherwise, we say that the set is linearly dependent.

Algorithm to Check for Linear Independence

Let $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ be a set of vectors in \mathbb{R}^n .

- $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ is **linearly independent** if and only if the homogeneous system $(\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{u}_k)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has only the **trivial solution**.
- The homogeneous system has only the **trivial solution** if and only if the reduced **row-echelon form** of $(\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{u}_k)$ has **no non-pivot column**.

Theorem

(Solution set of a homogeneous system is a subspace)

A subset $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ of \mathbb{R}^n is **linearly independent** if and only if the **reduced row-echelon form** of $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{u}_k)$ has **no non-pivot columns**.

3.6 Basis and Coordinates

Definition

Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . A set $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ is a **basis** for V if

- $\text{span}(S) = V$ and
- S is linearly independent.

Theorem

Suppose $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ is a basis for V . Then every vector \mathbf{v} in the subspace V **can be written** as a linear combination of vectors in S **uniquely**.

Theorem

(Basis for Solution Set of Homogeneous System)

Let $V = \{\mathbf{u} | \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}\}$ be the solution space to some homogeneous system. Suppose $s_1\mathbf{u}_1 + s_2\mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + s_k\mathbf{u}_k$, $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k \in \mathbb{R}$ is a general solution to the homogeneous system $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$. Then $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ is a basis for the subspace $V = \{\mathbf{u} | \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}\}$.

Theorem

Basis for the zero space $\{\mathbf{0}\}$ of \mathbb{R}^n is the **empty set** $\{\}$ or \emptyset .

Theorem

A $n \times n$ square matrix \mathbf{A} is invertible if and only if the columns are linearly independent.

Theorem

A $n \times n$ square matrix \mathbf{A} is invertible if and only if the columns spans \mathbb{R}^n .

Corollary

Let $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ be a subset of \mathbb{R}^n containing n vectors. Then S is linearly independent if and only if S spans \mathbb{R}^n .

Corollary

Let $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ be a subset of \mathbb{R}^n and $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_2 \dots \mathbf{u}_k)$ be the matrix whose columns are vectors in S . Then S is a **basis** for \mathbb{R}^n if and only if $k = n$ and \mathbf{A} is an invertible matrix.

Theorem

A $n \times n$ square matrix \mathbf{A} is invertible if and only if the **columns** of \mathbf{A} form a **basis** for \mathbb{R}^n .

Theorem

A $n \times n$ square matrix \mathbf{A} is invertible if and only if the **row** of \mathbf{A} form a **basis** for \mathbb{R}^n .

Theorem

(Equivalent Statements for Invertibility)

Let \mathbf{A} be a square matrix of order n . The following statements are equivalent.

1. \mathbf{A} is invertible.
2. \mathbf{A}^T is invertible.
3. \mathbf{A} has a left-inverse, that is, there is a matrix \mathbf{B} such that $\mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I}$.
4. \mathbf{A} has a right-inverse, that is, there is a matrix \mathbf{B} such that $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I}$.
5. The reduced row-echelon form of \mathbf{A} is the identity matrix.
6. \mathbf{A} can be expressed as a product of elementary matrices.
7. The homogeneous system $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution.
8. For any \mathbf{b} , the system $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent.
9. The determinant of \mathbf{A} is nonzero, $\det(\mathbf{A}) \neq 0$.
10. The columns/rows of \mathbf{A} are linearly independent for \mathbb{R}^n .
11. The columns/rows of \mathbf{A} spans \mathbb{R}^n .

Definition

(Coordinates Relative to a Basis)

Let $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ be a basis for a subspace V of \mathbb{R}^n .
 Then given any vector $\mathbf{v} \in V$, we can write \mathbf{v} unique as

$$c_1\mathbf{u}_1, c_2\mathbf{u}_2, \dots, c_k\mathbf{u}_k.$$

The coordinates of \mathbf{v} relative to the basis S is defined to be the vector

$$[\mathbf{v}]_S = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_k \end{pmatrix}.$$

Algorithm for Computing Relative Coordinate

Let $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ be a basis for a subspace V of \mathbb{R}^n .

For $\mathbf{v} \in V$, find real numbers $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + c_k\mathbf{u}_k = \mathbf{v}.$$

That is, we are solving for

$$(\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{u}_k \mid \mathbf{v}).$$

Theorem

Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n and B a basis for V .

1. For any vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V$, $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v}$ if and only if $[\mathbf{u}]_B = [\mathbf{v}]_B$.
2. For any $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m \in V$,

$$[c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_m\mathbf{v}_m]_B = c_1[\mathbf{v}_1]_B + c_2[\mathbf{v}_2]_B + \dots + c_m[\mathbf{v}_m]_B.$$

3.7 Dimensions

Theorem

Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n and B a basis for V . Suppose B contains k vectors, $|B| = k$. Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k be vectors in V . Then

1. $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$ is linearly independent if and only if $[\mathbf{v}_1]_B, [\mathbf{v}_2]_B, \dots, [\mathbf{v}_k]_B$ is linearly independent (respectively, dependent) in \mathbb{R}^k ; and
2. $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$ spans V if and only if $[\mathbf{v}_1]_B, [\mathbf{v}_2]_B, \dots, [\mathbf{v}_k]_B$ spans \mathbb{R}^k .

Corollary

Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n and B a basis for V . Suppose B contains k vectors, $|B| = k$.

1. If $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m\}$ is a subset of V with $m > k$, then S is **linearly dependent**.
2. If $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m\}$ is a subset of V with $m < k$, then S **cannot span** V .

Corollary

Suppose $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ and $T = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m\}$ are bases for a subspace $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. Then $k = m$.

Definition

Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . The **dimension** of V , denoted by $\dim(V)$, is defined to be the **number of vectors** in any **basis** of V .

Theorem

(Dimension of solution space)

Let \mathbf{A} be a $m \times n$ matrix. The **number of non-pivot columns** in the reduced row-echelon form of A is the **dimension** of the solution space

$$V = \{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}\}.$$

Theorem

(Spanning Set Theorem)

Let $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ be a subset of vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , and let $V = \text{span}(S)$. Suppose V is not the zero space, $V \neq \{\mathbf{0}\}$. Then there must be a subset of S that is a basis for V .

Theorem

(Linear Independence Theorem)

Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n and $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ a linearly independent subset of V , $S \subseteq V$. Then there must be a set T containing S , $S \subseteq T$ such that T is a basis for V .

Theorem

Let U and V be subspaces of \mathbb{R}^n .

1. If $U \subseteq V$, then $\dim(U) \leq \dim(V)$.
2. If $U \subseteq V$, and $U \neq V$, then $\dim(U) < \dim(V)$. That is, $U \subseteq V$, then $\dim(U) \leq \dim(V)$ with equality if and only if $U = V$.

Theorem

(B1)

Let V be a k -dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , $\dim(V) = k$. Suppose $U \subseteq V$ is a linearly independent subset containing k vectors, $|S| = k$. Then S is a basis for V .

Theorem

(B2)

Let V be a k dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , $\dim(V) = k$. Suppose S is a set containing k vectors, $|S| = k$, such that $V \subseteq \text{span}(S)$. Then S is a basis for V .

3.8 Transition Matrices

Definition

Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Suppose $S = \{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ and $T = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ are basis for the subspace V . Define the transition matrix from T to S to be

$$\mathbf{P} = ([\mathbf{v}_1]_S \quad [\mathbf{v}_2]_S \quad \dots \quad [\mathbf{v}_k]_S),$$

the matrix whose columns are the coordinates of the vectors in T relative to the basis S .

Theorem

(Transition Matrix)

Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Suppose $S = \{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ are bases for the subspace V . Let \mathbf{P} be the transition matrix from T to S . Then for any vector w in V ,

$$[\mathbf{w}]_S = \mathbf{P}[\mathbf{w}]_T.$$

Algorithm to find Transition Matrix

Let $S = \{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ and $T = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ be a basis for a subspace V in \mathbb{R}^n . To find \mathbf{P} , the transition matrix from T to S ,

$$(\text{"S"} | \text{"T"}) = (u_1 \ u_2 \ \dots u_k \mid v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots v_k) \xrightarrow{\text{rref}} \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{I}_k & \mathbf{P} \\ \hline \mathbf{0}_{(n-k) \times k} & \mathbf{0}_{(n-k) \times k} \end{array} \right)$$

Theorem

(Inverse of Transition Matrix)

Suppose $S = \{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ and $T = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ are bases for a subspace V of \mathbb{R}^n . Let \mathbf{P} be the transition matrix from T to S . Then \mathbf{P}^{-1} is the transition matrix from S to T .

Chapter 4: Subspaces Associated to a Matrix

4.1 Column Space, Row Space, and Nullspace

4.2 Rank