

Discussion 1A

1. Span basics:

$$(a) \text{ span } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{a plane in } \mathbb{R}^3$$
$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} * \\ * \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{5}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{5}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is in span } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$(c) \text{ possible choice of } \vec{v} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(d) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

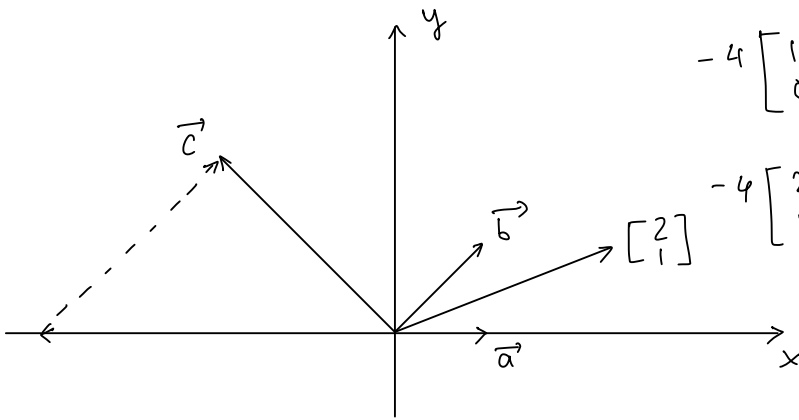
$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & b_1 \\ 2 & 1 & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & b_3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & b_1 \\ 0 & 3 & 2b_1 - b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & b_3 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & \\ 0 & 1 & (2b_1 - b_2)/3 \\ 0 & 0 & b_3 \end{array} \right]$$

Condition: $b_3 = 0$, $b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

2. Visualising span:

(a) $\vec{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{c} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$



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

$$-4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 6 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) $\begin{bmatrix} \vec{a} & \vec{b} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \vec{c}$