

Show that the set

$$S = \{1, 1-x, 3+4x+x^2\}$$

is a basis of the vector space P_2 of all polynomials of degree 2 or less.

$$\{1, x, x^2\}$$

$$\dim(P_2) = 3$$

$$\underline{c_1 \cdot 1 + c_2 \cdot x + c_3 \cdot x^2 = 0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2 = 0_{\text{poly}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0}$$

$$\underline{f(x) = q_0 + q_1 x + q_2 x^2 \in \text{Span}(\{1, x, x^2\})}$$

$$c_1 + c_2(1-x) + c_3(3+4x+x^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (c_1 + c_2 + 3c_3) + (c_2 + 4c_3)x + c_3 x^2 = 0$$

Since this is a zero polynomial, all coefficient must be zero

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$$\Rightarrow c_2 + 4c_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c_3 = 0$$

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Let P_3 denote the set of polynomials of degree 3 or less with real coefficients. Consider the ordered basis

$$\underline{B = \{1+x, 1+x^2, x-x^2 + 2x^3, 1-x-x^2\}}.$$

Write the coordinate vector for the polynomial $f(x) = -3 + 2x^3$ in terms of the basis B .

Let $[f(x)]_B = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \\ c_4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow -3 + 2x^3 = c_1(1+x) + c_2(1+x^2) + c_3(x-x^2) + c_4(1-x-x^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 + c_2 + c_4 = -3$$

$$c_1 + c_3 - c_4 = 0$$

$$c_2 - c_3 - c_4 = 0$$

$$2c_3 - c_4 = 2$$

We can now create the augmented matrix which represents this equation:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right].$$

Now the equation is solved by reducing the augmented matrix:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2-R_1} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(-1)R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right] \\
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 \xrightarrow{\text{---}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right)R_3} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
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 \xrightarrow{R_1-R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_4} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
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 \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_4} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1+R_4} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2-2R_4} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \\
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 \xrightarrow{R_1-R_3} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2+R_3} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right].
 \end{array}$$

Let $p_1(x), p_2(x), p_3(x), p_4(x)$ be (real) polynomials of degree at most 3. Which (if any) of the following two conditions is sufficient for the conclusion that these polynomials are linearly dependent?

(a) At 1 each of the polynomials has the value 0. Namely $\underline{p_i(1) = 0}$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$. $P_1(1) = 0 = P_2(1) = P_3(1) = P_4(1)$

(b) At 0 each of the polynomials has the value 1. Namely $\underline{p_i(0) = 1}$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$. $P_1(0) = P_2(0) = P_3(0) = P_4(0) = 1$

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$$W = \left\{ P(x) : P(1) = 0 \right\}$$

$$f(x) = 1 \notin W \quad W \subsetneq V$$

$$\dim(W) \leq 3$$

$$\underbrace{W = \left\{ P(x) : P(0) = 0 \right\}}_{0 \notin W} \text{ is not a subspace}$$

$$1, 1+x, 1+x^2, 1+x^3$$

We show that the condition (b) is not sufficient.

In fact, the following four vectors satisfy the condition (b) but they are linearly independent:

$$1, 1 + x, 1 + x + x^2, 1 + x + x^2 + x^3.$$

(Observe that the method of the proof of (a) does not work because

$$V = \{p(x) \in P_3 \mid p(0) = 1\}$$

is not a subspace.)

Let A and B be $m \times n$ matrices.

Prove that

$$\text{rank}(A + B) \leq \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B).$$

Let

$$A = [\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n] \text{ and } B = [\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n],$$

where \mathbf{a}_i and \mathbf{b}_i are column vectors of A and B , respectively.

Then the rank of the matrix A is the dimension of the column space of A .

That is, we have

$$\text{rank}(A) = \dim(\text{Span}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n)).$$

Similarly, we have

$$\text{rank}(B) = \dim(\text{Span}(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n))$$

and

$$\text{rank}(A + B) = \dim((\text{Span}(\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n + \mathbf{b}_n)))$$

since $A + B = [\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n + \mathbf{b}_n]$.

We claim that

$$\text{Span}(\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n + \mathbf{b}_n) \subset \text{Span}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n) + \text{Span}(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n).$$

Any vector $\mathbf{x} \in \text{Span}(\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n + \mathbf{b}_n)$ can be written as

$$\mathbf{x} = r_1(\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1) + \cdots + r_n(\mathbf{a}_n + \mathbf{b}_n)$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x} &= r_1(\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1) + \cdots + r_n(\mathbf{a}_n + \mathbf{b}_n) \\ &= (r_1\mathbf{a}_1 + \cdots + r_n\mathbf{a}_n) + (r_1\mathbf{b}_1 + \cdots + r_n\mathbf{b}_n) \\ &\in \text{Span}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n) + \text{Span}(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n),\end{aligned}$$

and hence the claim is proved.

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\text{rank}(A + B) &= \dim(\text{Span}(\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n + \mathbf{b}_n)) \\ &\leq \dim(\text{Span}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n) + \text{Span}(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n)) \\ &\leq \dim(\text{Span}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n)) + \dim(\text{Span}(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n)) \\ &= \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B).\end{aligned}$$

Here we used the fact that for two subspaces U and V of a vector space, we have

$$\dim(U + V) \leq \dim(U) + \dim(V).$$

$$\begin{aligned}\dim(U + V) &= \dim(U) + \dim(V) - \dim(U \cap V) \\ &\leq \dim(U) + \dim(V).\end{aligned}$$

Let V be a vector space over a field K . Let $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n$ be linearly independent vectors in V . Let U be the subspace of V spanned by these vectors, that is, $U = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$.

Let $\mathbf{u}_{n+1} \in V$. Show that $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n, \mathbf{u}_{n+1}$ are linearly independent if and only if $\mathbf{u}_{n+1} \notin U$.

Suppose that the vectors $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n, \mathbf{u}_{n+1}$ are linearly independent. If $\mathbf{u}_{n+1} \in U$, then \mathbf{u}_{n+1} is a linear combination of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n$.

Thus, we have

$$\mathbf{u}_{n+1} = c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \cdots + c_n \mathbf{u}_n$$

for some scalars $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n \in K$.

However, this implies that we have a nontrivial linear combination

$$c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \cdots + c_n \mathbf{u}_n - \mathbf{u}_{n+1} = \mathbf{0}.$$

This contradicts that $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n, \mathbf{u}_{n+1}$ are linearly independent. Hence $\mathbf{u}_{n+1} \notin U$.

(\Leftarrow) Suppose now that $\mathbf{u}_{n+1} \notin U$.

If the vectors $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n, \mathbf{u}_{n+1}$ are linearly dependent, then there exists $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n, c_{n+1} \in K$ such that not all of them are zero and

$$c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \cdots + c_n \mathbf{u}_n + c_{n+1} \mathbf{u}_{n+1} = \mathbf{0}.$$

We claim that $c_{n+1} \neq 0$. If $c_{n+1} = 0$, then we have

$$c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \cdots + c_n \mathbf{u}_n = \mathbf{0}$$

and since $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n$ are linearly independent, we must have $c_1 = c_2 = \cdots = c_n = 0$. This means that all c_i are zero but this contradicts our choice of c_i . Thus $c_{n+1} \neq 0$.

Suppose v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m are linearly independent in V and $w \in V$. If v_1+w, \dots, v_m+w are linearly dependent then $w \in \overline{\text{Span}(v_1, \dots, v_m)}$

Proof - $\exists c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m$ not all zero s.t.

$$c_1(v_1+w) + c_2(v_2+w) + \dots + c_m(v_m+w) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \dots + c_mv_m = -\underbrace{(c_1+c_2+\dots+c_m)}_{\text{not all } c_i \text{ are zero.}} w$$

If $c_1+\dots+c_m=0$, $c_1v_1+\dots+c_mv_m=0$
not all c_i are zero.

This contradicts that $\{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$ is L.I.

$$\Rightarrow c_1+c_2+\dots+c_m \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow w = -\frac{c_1}{c_1+\dots+c_m}v_1 - \dots - \frac{c_m}{c_1+\dots+c_m}v_m \in \text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$$

$$\text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n) \stackrel{?}{=} \text{Span}(\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_m)$$

$\mathbf{v}_i \in \text{Span}(\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_m)$ for all

$$\Rightarrow \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\} \subseteq \text{Span}(\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_m) \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n) \subseteq \text{Span}(\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_m)$$

$\mathbf{w}_j \in \text{Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$ for all $j=1, \dots, m$

$\text{rank}(BA) \leq \text{rank}(A)$

$A_{m \times n}$

$B_{2 \times m}$

$$\dim V = n - \gamma_A$$

$$\dim W = n - \gamma_{BA}$$

$$\Rightarrow n - \gamma_A \leq n - \gamma_{BA}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_{BA} \leq \gamma_A$$

Solution Space of $(BA)x = 0$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$Ax = 0$$

Let V be the Solution Space of $AX = 0$

Let W be the Solution Space of $(BA)x = 0$

$$V, W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

Subspaces of \mathbb{R}^n

$$V \subseteq W$$

$$\text{Let } v \in V$$

$$Av = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow B(Av) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (BA)v = 0 \Rightarrow v \in W$$

$$AX = b$$

$A_{m \times n}$

$$\underline{F = \mathbb{R}}$$

If $b \neq 0$ then the solution space is NOT a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

$$\underbrace{ax_1 + bx_2, \quad a+b=1}_{\text{---}}$$

If x_1 & x_2 are two solutions then $ax_1 + bx_2, a+b=1$ is also a solution.

* Let X_{hom} be a solution of $AX = 0$

Let X_{nonh} be a solution of $AX = b$

Then $\underline{X = X_{hom} + X_{nonh}}$ is also a solution of $AX = b$

$$AX = AX_{\text{hom}} + AX_{\text{nonh}}$$

$$= 0 + b$$

$$= b$$