

### 3. Subspaces and Their Properties.

考慮  $\mathbb{R}^n$  及一般的向量加法, 常數乘法.

#### 3.1 Subspaces. (子空間)

在線性代數中會提到一般的 vector space (向量空間). 但因為我們這門課只討論矩陣, 因此現在只用  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . 先定義什麼叫 subspace (子空間)

**Definition 1:** A set  $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is called a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  if

(i) (closed under addition)  $u, v \in W \Rightarrow u + v \in W$

(ii) (closed under scalar multiplication)  $u \in W, c \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow cu \in W$

直覺想法: subspace 就是通過原點的面積, 平面, ...

**Example 2:** (1)  $W = \{0\}$ : called the zero subspace (零子空間)

$$(2) W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : 3w_1 - 2w_2 + w_3 = 0 \right\}$$

(i)  $u, v \in W$

$$\Rightarrow 3u_1 - 2u_2 + u_3 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad 3v_1 - 2v_2 + v_3 = 0.$$

$$\text{For } u + v = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \\ u_3 + v_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$3(u_1 + v_1) - 2(u_2 + v_2) + (u_3 + v_3)$$

$$= (3u_1 - 2u_2 + u_3) + (3v_1 - 2v_2 + v_3) = 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u + v \in W.$$

(ii)  $u \in W, c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\Rightarrow 3u_1 - 2u_2 + u_3 = 0.$$

$$cu = \begin{pmatrix} cu_1 \\ cu_2 \\ cu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$3(cu_1) - 2(cu_2) + cu_3 = c(3u_1 - 2u_2 + u_3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow cu \in W$$

(i) + (ii)  $\Rightarrow W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$(3) W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 : u_1 \geq 0, u_2 \geq 0 \right\}$$

Since  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in W$ ,  $(-2) \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$(-2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \notin W$$

Thus,  $W$  is not a subspace.

$$(4) \text{ The set } W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} s \\ t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} : s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \text{ is a subspace of } \mathbb{R}^3$$

For  $x, y \in W$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x + y = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in W$$

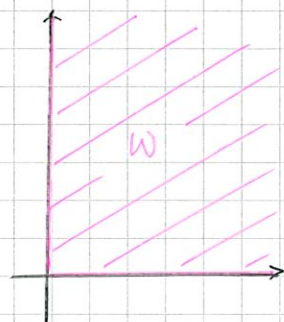
$$cx = c \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} cx_1 \\ cx_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in W$$

$\Rightarrow W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Remark 3: If  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then

$$(1) 0 \in W$$

$$(2) v \in W \Rightarrow -v \in W.$$





這個結果最大的用處在於判斷  $W$  "不是" 個 subspace.

If  $0 \notin W$ ,  $W$  cannot be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Example 4:  $W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2s+1 \\ 0 \\ 3s \end{pmatrix} : s \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,  
since  $0 \notin W$ .

Recall: Given  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

then  $c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2 + \dots + c_k u_k$  is a linear combination (線性組合)  
of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$ .

Definition 5: The collection of all linear combinations of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  is  
denoted by  $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  and is called the subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$   
spanned by  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$ .

Remark 6: (1) If  $u \neq 0$ ,  $\text{span}\{u\} = \{cu : c \in \mathbb{R}\}$  - 一條直線.

(2) If  $u, v \neq 0$ ,

(i)  $u = cv$ :  $\text{span}\{u, v\} = \{kv : k \in \mathbb{R}\}$  - 一條直線.

(ii)  $u \neq cv$ :  $\text{span}\{u, v\} = \{c_1 u + c_2 v : c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$  - 一個平面.

Example 7:

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, v = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -13 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{span}\{u, v\} = \left\{ c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -13 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} : c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} c_1 + 5c_2 \\ -2c_1 - 13c_2 \\ 3c_1 - 3c_2 \end{pmatrix} : c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Then  $\text{span}\{u, v\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , since for  $x, y \in \text{span}\{u, v\}$   
 $\Rightarrow \exists c_1, c_2, d_1, d_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$$x = c_1 u + c_2 v, \quad y = d_1 u + d_2 v$$

$$x + y = (c_1 u + c_2 v) + (d_1 u + d_2 v) = (c_1 + d_1)u + (c_2 + d_2)v \in \text{span}\{u, v\}$$

$$kx = k(c_1 u + c_2 v) = (kc_1)u + (kc_2)v \in \text{span}\{u, v\}$$

同樣的方法, 我們可得下列的結果.

Theorem 8:  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Example 9: (1) Let

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a-3b \\ b-a \\ a \\ b \end{bmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Since

$$\begin{bmatrix} a-3b \\ b-a \\ a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W = \{au + bv : a, b \in \mathbb{R}\} = \text{span}\{u, v\}.$$

$\Rightarrow W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .



(2) Let

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad v = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -4 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}, \quad w = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 3 \\ h \end{pmatrix}$$

Find  $h$  such that  $y \in \text{span}\{u, v, w\}$ .

Solution: If  $y \in \text{span}\{u, v, w\}$ ,  $\exists c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$$c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -4 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 3 \\ h \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + 5c_2 - 3c_3 = -4 & (1) \\ -c_1 - 4c_2 + c_3 = 3 & (2) \\ -2c_1 - 7c_2 = h & (3) \end{cases}$$

$$(1) + (2): c_2 - 2c_3 = -1 \Rightarrow c_2 = 2c_3 - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sub (1)}: c_1 &= -4 - 5c_2 + 3c_3 = -4 - 5(2c_3 - 1) + 3c_3 \\ &= -7c_3 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$(3): h = -2c_1 - 7c_2 = -2(-7c_3 + 1) - 7(2c_3 - 1) = 5$$