# 21-241 Matrices and Linear Transformations Notes

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# Linear Equations in Linear Algebra

## 1.1 Systems of linear equations

**Definition:** A system of linear equations is a collection of one or more linear equations involving the same set of variables. A system has either:

- No solution
- Infinite solutions
- A unique solution

The info about a linear system can be recorded in a matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

The one with just the coefficients is called **coefficient matrix**The one with the last col with the product is called the **augmented matrix** 

There are 3 elementary row operations to carry out on the matrix:

- Replacement: by a sum of itself and a multiple of another row
- Interchange: swap rows
- Scaling: scale a row by a scalar

### 1.2 Row Reduction and Echelon Forms

**Definition:** A matrix is in **echelon form** if

- All nonzero rows are above any rows of zeros
- Each leading entry of a row is in a column ro the right of the leading entry of the row above it
- All entries in a column below a leading entry are zeros

A matrix is in reduced echelon form if

- It is in echelon form
- The leading entry in each nonzero row is 1
- Each leading 1 is the only nonzero entry in its column

**Theorem 1** (Uniqueness of the Reduced Echelon Form). Each matrix is row equivalent to one and only one reduced echelon matrix

**Definition 1** (Pivot Position). A **pivot position** in A is a location in A that corresponds to a leading 1 in the reduced echelon form of A

### Row Reduction Algorithm

- 1. Start with left non-zero column. This is a pivot column. Pivot position is at the top
- 2. Choose a nonzero entry in the pivot column as a pivot. Interchange to move it into pivot position
- 3. Use row replacement to make zeros below pivot position
- 4. Ignore the row with the pivot and the ones above. Apply steps 1-3 to the remaining matrix until no more rows to modify
- 5. Starting with rightmost pivot and working up and left, make zeros above each pivot. Make every pivot a 1 by scaling

Variables corresponding to pivot columns are basic, the other ones are free

**Theorem 2** (Existence and Uniqueness theorem).

A linear system is consistent iff the right column of the augmented matrix is NOT a pivot column i.e. iff echelon form has NO row of form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$$
 with  $b$  nonzero

If a system is consistent then solution set contain either a unique solution if there are 0 free variables or infinite solutions if there is at least 1 free variable.

## 1.3 Vector Equations

### Algebraic Properties of Vectors in $\mathbb{R}^n$

 $\forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and scalars } c \text{ and } d$ :

- 1. Commutativity of addition: u + v = v + u
- 2. Associativity of addition:  $\mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w}$
- 3. Additive identity: u + 0 = u
- 4. Additive inverse:  $\mathbf{u} + (-\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}$
- 5. Distributivity of scalar multiplication over addition (vectors):  $c(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = c\mathbf{u} + c\mathbf{v}$
- 6. Distributivity of scalar multiplication over addition (scalars):  $(c+d)\mathbf{u} = c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{u}$
- 7. Associativity of scalar multiplication:  $(cd)\mathbf{u} = c(d\mathbf{u})$
- 8. Scalar identity: 1u = u

A linear combination is a vector  $\mathbf{y} = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \ldots + c_p \mathbf{v}_p$ 

**Definition 2.** Span $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$  is the set of all linear combinations of  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$  It is the set of all vectors that can be written in the form  $c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_p\mathbf{v}_p$ 

## 1.4 The Matrix Equation Ax = b

### Definition 3.

If A is an  $m \times n$  matrix, with columns  $\mathbf{a_1}, \dots, \mathbf{a_n}$  and if  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = x_1\mathbf{a}_1 + x_2\mathbf{a}_2 + \cdots + x_n\mathbf{a}_n$$

This is defined only if the number of columns of A equals number of entires in  $\mathbf{x}$ 

#### Theorem 3.

If A is an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has the same solution set as

$$x_1\mathbf{a}_1 + x_2\mathbf{a}_2 + \dots + x_n\mathbf{a}_n = b$$

which has the same solution set as the system of linear equations with matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{a}_n & \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix}$$

### Theorem 4.

Let A be a  $m \times n$  matrix. The following statements are equivalent

- a.  $\forall \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m, A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a solution
- b.  $\forall$  **b** is a linear combination of the columns of A
- c. The columns of A span  $\mathbb{R}^m$
- d. A has a pivot in every row

Warning: A is a **coefficient matrix** in this theorem

#### Theorem 5.

If A is an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and c is a scalar

- a.  $A(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = A\mathbf{u} + A\mathbf{v}$ ;
- b. A(c**u**) = c(A**u**);

## 1.5 Solution sets of Linear Systems

Homogenous Linear Systems: if it can be written in form  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ This system always has at least one solution  $(\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0})$ : **trivial solution** The equation has a **non-trivial** solution iff it has at least one free variable

Non-homogenous Linear Systems: if it can be written in form  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  non-zero

### Theorem 6.

Let  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  be consistent for some  $\mathbf{b}$ , let  $\mathbf{p}$  be a solution. Then the solution set is the set of all vectors in form  $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{v}_h$ , where  $\mathbf{v}_h$  is any solution of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ 

### Writing a solution set in parametric vector form

- 1. Row reduce to reduced echelon form
- 2. Express each basic variable in terms of any free variables
- 3. Write a typical solution as a vector whose entries depend on free variables
- 4. Decompose it into a linear combination of vectors (with numbers only inside) using free variables as parameters

## 1.7 Linear Independence

### Definition 4.

 $\{\mathbf{v}_1,\ldots,\mathbf{v}_p\}$  is linearly independent if

$$x_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \ldots + x_p\mathbf{v}_p = \mathbf{0}$$

has only the trivial solution. It is said to be **linearly dependent** if  $\exists c_1, \ldots, c_p$ , not all zero, such that

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \ldots + c_p\mathbf{v}_p = \mathbf{0}$$

A set of two vectors is linearly dependent if at least one is a multiple of the other

Theorem 7 (Characterization of Linearly independent Sets).

A set of two or more vectors is linearly dependent iff at least one of them is a linear combination the others.

### Theorem 8.

If a set contains more vectors than entries in each vector, then it is linearly dependant

### Theorem 9.

If a set contains the zero vector, then it is linearly dependant

### 1.8 Introduction to Linear Transformations

A transformation T from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is a rule that assigns each vector  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to a vector  $T(\mathbf{x})$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ 

- Domain:  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- Co-domain:  $\mathbb{R}^m$
- Range: set of all images  $T(\mathbf{x})$

**Definition 5.** T is linear iff

- $T(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = T(\mathbf{u}) + T(\mathbf{v})$
- $T(c\mathbf{u}) = cT(\mathbf{u})$

If T is linear then:

- T(0) = 0
- $T(c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v}) = cT(\mathbf{u}) + dT(\mathbf{v})$
- $T(c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \ldots + c_p\mathbf{v}_p) = T(c_1\mathbf{v}_1) + \ldots + T(c_p\mathbf{v}_p)$

### 1.9 The Matrix of a Linear Transformation

### Theorem 10.

For T, there exists a unique A such that

$$T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x} \ \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} T(\mathbf{e}_1) & T(\mathbf{e}_2) & \dots & T(\mathbf{e}_n) \end{bmatrix}$ With  $\mathbf{e}_j$  is the *j*th column of the identity matrix

### Definition 6.

T is **onto** (surjective) if

• Range of T = Co-domain

- $\forall \mathbf{v} \in codomain(B), \exists \mathbf{u} \in domain(A) \text{ such that } T(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{v}$
- Find standard matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} T(c_1) & \dots & T(c_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

Onto if  $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v}$  has a solution for each  $\mathbf{v}$  in range

### Definition 7.

T is **one-to-one** (injective)if

- $T(\mathbf{u}_1) = T(\mathbf{u}_2) \implies \mathbf{u}_1 = \mathbf{u}_2$
- Find standard matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} T(c_1) & \dots & T(c_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

 $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{b}$  has a unique solution for each  $\mathbf{b} \in Range(T)$ 

**Theorem 11.** T is one-to-one iff  $T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$  has a ONLY the trivial solution

**Theorem 12.** Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ , let A be standard matrix for T. Then

- ullet T maps  $\mathbb{R}^n$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^m$  iff the columns of A span  $\mathbb{R}^m$
- ullet T is one-to-one iff the columns of A are linearly independent

# Matrix Algebra

## 2.1 Matrix Operations

- Square Matrix: row and columns are the same
- Diagonal entries:  $a_{11}, a_{22}, \ldots$
- Diagonal matrix: square  $n \times n$  matrix who's non-diagonal entires are zero
- **Zero matrix**:  $m \times n$  matrix where all entries are 0

$$[a_{ij}]_{m \times n} \pm [b_{ij}]_{m \times n} = [a_{ij} \pm b_{ij}]_{m \times n}$$

Two matrices are equal if they have the same size and their entries are equal (duh)

Theorem 1.

### Properties of Matrices

Let A, B and C be matrices of the same size, and let r and s be scalars

- $\bullet \ A + B = B + A$
- (A+B)+C=A+(B+C)
- A + 0 = A
- r(A+B) = rA + rB
- $\bullet \ (r+s)A = rA + sA$
- r(sA) = (rs)A

**Definition 1.** If A is a  $m \times n$  matrix and B is an  $n \times p$  matrix with columns  $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_p$ , then

$$AB = A \left[ \mathbf{b}_1 \dots \mathbf{b}_p \right] = \left[ A \mathbf{b}_1 \dots A \mathbf{b}_p \right]$$

- $\bullet$  Each column of AB is a linear combination of the columns of A using weights from columns of B
- $\bullet$  The number of columns of A must match the number of rows in B
- Row column rule:  $(AB)_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \ldots + a_{in}b_{nj}$
- $row_i(AB) = row_i(A) \cdot B$

Theorem 2.

### Properties of Matrices

Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix, and let B and C have sizes for which the indicated sums and products are defined.

$$A(BC) = (AB)C$$
 (associative law of multiplication)

$$A(B+C) = AB + AC (left distributive law)$$

$$(B+C)A = BA + CA$$
 (right distributive law)

$$r(AB)=(rA)B=A(rB)$$
 for any scalar  $r$ 

$$I_m A = A = A I_n$$
 (identity for matrix multiplication)

### WARNING

Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix, and let B and C have sizes for which the indicated sums and products are defined.

- In general,  $AB \neq BA$
- In general, AB = AC does not imply B = C
- In general, AB = 0 does not imply  $A = 0 \lor B = 0$

Power of a matrix: 
$$A^k = \underbrace{AA \dots A}_k$$

The transpose of a matrix:  $A^T$  is obtained by swapping its rows and columns of A.

Theorem 3.

$$\bullet \ (A^T)^T = A$$

$$\bullet \ (A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$$

$$(rA)^T = rA^T$$

$$\bullet \ (AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

### 2.2 The Inverse of a Matrix

An  $n \times n$  matrix A is said to be **invertible** if there is an  $n \times n$  matrix C such that

$$CA = I_n$$
 and  $AC = I_n$ ,

In this case, C is an **inverse** of A

$$A^{-1}A = I$$
 and  $AA^{-1} = I$ 

**Theorem 4.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  If  $ad - bc \neq 0$ , then A is invertEBIL and

$$A^{-}1 = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

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det A = ad - bc

**Theorem 5.** If A is invertible, then  $\forall \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has the unique solution  $\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$ 

**Theorem 6.** 1. If A invertible, then  $A^{-1}$  too and  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$ 

- 2. If A and B invertible,  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$
- 3. If A invertible,  $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$
- An **elementary matrix** is a matrix obtained by performing a single elementary row operation on I
- If a row op if performed on A, the result can be written as EA, where E is made by performing the same row op on I
- Each E is an invertible and its inverse is the elementary matrix that transforms E back into I.

**Theorem 7.** A is invertible iff A is row equivalent to I, and any sequence of row ops that reduces A to I also transforms I to  $A^{-1}$ 

Finding  $A^{-1}$ : Row reduce  $\begin{bmatrix} A & I \end{bmatrix}$ . If A row-eq to I then  $\begin{bmatrix} A & I \end{bmatrix}$  is row-eq to  $\begin{bmatrix} I & A^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$ 

### 2.3 Characterizations of Matrices

### Theorem 8.

The following statements about a square n by n matrix A are equivalent

- A is an invertible matrix.
- A is row equivalent to the  $n \times n$  identity matrix.
- A has n pivot positions.
- The equation Ax = 0 has only the trivial solution.
- The columns of A form a linearly independent set.
- The linear transformation  $x \mapsto Ax$  is one-to-one.
- The equation Ax = b has at least one solution for each  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- The columns of A span  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- The linear transformation  $x \mapsto Ax$  maps  $\mathbb{R}^n$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- There is an  $n \times n$  matrix C such that CA = I.
- There is an  $n \times n$  matrix D such that AD = I.
- $A^T$  is an invertible matrix.

If AB = I, then A and B invertible with  $B = A^{-1}$  and  $A = B^{-1}$ 

A linear transformation is invertible if  $\exists S:\mathbb{R}^n\to\mathbb{R}^n$  such that:

$$S(T(\mathbf{x})) = x$$
 for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $T(S(\mathbf{x})) = x$  for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 

**Theorem 9.** Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  and A be the matrix. T is invertible iff A is invertible. Then  $S(\mathbf{x}) = A^{-1}\mathbf{x}$ 

### 2.4 Partitioned Matrices

Trivial stuff honestly just partition and multiply. Ok actually there is one good theorem here

**Theorem 10** (Column-Row Expansion of AB).

If A is  $m \times n$  and B is  $n \times p$ :

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} col_1(A) & \dots & col_n(A) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} row_1(B) \\ \vdots \\ row_n(B) \end{bmatrix} = col_1(A)row_1(B) + \dots + col_n(A)row_n(B)$$

The inverse of a block upper triangular matrix:

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ 0 & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^{-1} & -A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} A_{22}^{-1} \\ 0 & A_{22}^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

### 2.5 Matrix Factorizations

Assume A is  $m \times n$  and can be reduced to Echelon Form without row interchanges. Then A = LU,

- $L: m \times m$  lower triangular with 1's in diagonal
- $U: m \times n$  echelon form of A

 $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  can be written as  $L(U\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b}$ . Writing  $\mathbf{y} = U\mathbf{x}$ , we get:

$$L(U\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b}$$

$$L\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$$
$$U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$$

We can get  $\mathbf{x}$  by solving the easy pair of equations:

- 1. Solve  $L\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$  for  $\mathbf{y}$
- 2. Solve  $U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$  for  $\mathbf{x}$

### LU Factorization Algorithm (boring)

- 1. Reduce A to echelon form U using a sequence of row replacement operations
- 2. Place entries in L such that the same sequence of row operations reduces L to I

#### LU Factorization Algorithm (fast)

For a matrix  $A: m \times n$ 

- 1. Initialize L as the identity matrix  $m \times m$  and U as A.
- 2. For each row  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, m$ :
  - $\bullet$  Use row operations to create zeros below the diagonal in U by subtracting multiples of the current row from the rows below.
  - For each row operation, divide the corresponding entries below the pivot in column *i* by the pivot, and store these multipliers in the corresponding positions of *L*.
- 3. Continue this process until U is in echelon form and L has recorded the multipliers such that A = LU.

This description is very bad, please practice this on a non-square matrix

## **Determinants**

### 3.1 Intro to Determinants

First, we denote  $A_{ij}$  to be the sub-matrix of A formed by deleting the ith row and jth column of A

**Definition 1.** For  $n \geq 2$ , the **determinant** of a  $n \times n$ :

$$\det A = a_{11} \det(A_{11}) - a_{12} \det(A_{12}) + \dots + (-1)^{1+n} a_{1n} \det(A_{1n}) =$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} (-1)^{1+j} a_{1j} \det(A_{1j})$$

The (i, j)-cofactor of A:  $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(A_{ij})$ 

**Theorem 1.** The determinant of A can be computed by cofactor expansion across any row or column. Across row i:

$$\det(A) = a_{i1}C_{i1} + \ldots + a_{in}C_{in}$$

Across column j:

$$\det(A) = a_{1j}C_{1j} + \ldots + a_{nj}C_{nj}$$

Signs of the cofactor:

$$\begin{bmatrix} + & - & + & \dots \\ - & + & - & \\ + & - & + & \\ \vdots & & & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

**Theorem 2.** If A triangular, then det(A) is the product of the entires on the main diagonal of A

## 3.2 Properties of Determinants

Theorem 3.

### Row Operations

For a matrix  $A: m \times n$ 

- a. If a multiple of a row in A is added to another to produce B: det(B) = det(A)
- b. If two rows of A are swapped to produce B: det(B) = -det(A)
- c. If a row of A is multiplied by k to produce B:  $det(B) = k \cdot det(A)$

Two main strats where this is useful:

- Row reduce a matrix to echelon form to simplify calculation (without row interchange!)
- Factor out a common factor from a row to simplify calculation

**Theorem 4.** A is invertible iff  $det(A) \neq 0$  (trivial)

**Theorem 5.**  $det(A) = det(A^T)$ 

**Theorem 6.** If A and B  $n \times n$ , then  $det(AB) = det(A) \cdot det(B)$ 

Lemma 1.  $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$ 

### 3.3 Crammers Rule

Let  $A_i(\mathbf{b})$  be the matrix obtained from A by replacing column i by the vector  $\mathbf{b}$ 

**Theorem 7** (Cramer's Rule). Let  $A: n \times n$ , invertible, the solution  $\mathbf{x}$  of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is given by:

$$x_i = \frac{\det(A_i(\mathbf{b}))}{\det(A)}, \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

The matrix of cofactors is called the **adjugate or classical adjoint** of A, denoted by adj A **Theorem 8** (an Inverse Forumla).

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{21} & \dots & C_{n1} \\ C_{12} & C_{22} & \dots & C_{n2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & \\ C_{1n} & C_{2n} & \dots & C_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{adj(A)}{\det(A)}$$

**Theorem 9.** If  $A: 2 \times 2$ , Area of parallelogram determined by columns of A is det(A) If  $A: 3 \times 3$ , Volume of parallelepiped determined by columns of A is det(A)

# Vector Spaces and Subspaces

## 4.1 Vector Spaces and Subspaces

**Definition 2.** A vector space is a nonempty set V of objects called vectors, on which there are defined two operations: addition and scalar multiplication. The axioms below must hold for all  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v} \in V$ 

- 1.  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \in V$  (Closure under addition)
- $2. \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}$
- 3.  $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w})$
- 4.  $\mathbf{0} \in V$ , such that  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{u}$
- 5.  $\forall \mathbf{u} \in V, \exists -\mathbf{u} \in V \text{ such that } \mathbf{u} + (-\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}$
- 6.  $c\mathbf{u} \in V$
- 7.  $c(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = c\mathbf{u} + c\mathbf{v}$
- 8.  $(c+d)\mathbf{u} = c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{u}$
- 9.  $c(d\mathbf{u}) = (cd)\mathbf{u}$
- 10. 1**u**=**u**

**Definition 3.** A subspace of a space V is a subset H of V that:

- The zero vector of V is in H
- H is closed under vector addition:  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \in H$  for all  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in H$
- H is closed under scalar multiplication:  $\mathbf{cu} \in H$  for all scalars c and vectors  $\mathbf{u} \in H$

**Theorem 10.** If  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$  are in a vector space V, then  $Span\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$  is a subspace of V