# Unit 3

# LOS 1. Vector space

- can be made of different objects including functions
- consists of:
  - o set of vectors i.e. column matrices or functions
  - set of scalars i.e. real numbers or complex numbers
- closed under vector addition and scalar multiplication i.e. if we have 2 vectors from the vector space, multiply them by a scalar and then add them, the final result is also a vector which is a member of the same vector space
- the zero vectors is a member of every vector space
- example of a vector space:
  - $\circ$  set of vectors: all 3  $\times$  1 matrices
  - o set of scalars: real numbers
  - $\circ$  if  $u,v\in 3\times 1$  matrices then  $w=au+bv\in 3\times 1$  matrix
- spaces:
  - o null space
  - o column space
  - o row space
  - o left null space

#### LOS 2. Linear independence

• The **set of vectors**  $\{u_1,u_2,\ldots,u_n\}$  are linearly independent if  $c_1u_1+c_2u_2+\ldots+c_nu_n=0$  has the only solution  $c_1=c_2=\ldots=c_n=0$ . In other words, no vector in the set can be written as a linear combination of the others.

## LOS 3. Span, basis and dimension

• **span**:  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  span a vector space consisting of all linear combinations of all linear combinations of  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ . Example:

$$\circ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

- $\circ$  the above spans a vector space V of 3 imes 1 matrices with 0 in the 3rd row
- $\circ \ \ V$  is a vector subspace of all 3 imes 1 matrices
- **basis**: a set of minimum number of vectors that span the space, possible basis for V (vector space of 3 imes 1 matrices with 0 in the 3rd row )

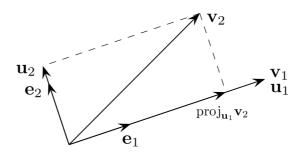
$$\circ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$
 (orthonormal basis)

$$\circ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2\\3\\0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\
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• **dimension**: dimension of a vector space is the least number of basis vectors required to form the vector space. In the above example, the dimension of the vector space V is 2.

# LOS 3. Gram-Schmidt process:

- constructing an orthonormal basis for a vector space
- consider a basis  $\{V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n\}$  n linearly independent vectors that form a basis for an n-dimensional vector space, ordinary (not normalized nor orthogonal)
- Gram-Schmidt process provides a algorithm to convert an ordinary basis (not normalized, not orthogonal) to an orthonormal one  $\{U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n\}$
- steps:
  - o find an orthonormal basis:  $U_2$  is equal to the the original vector  $V_2$  minus the projection of  $V_2$  to  $V_1=U_1$ . Here, we set  $U_1$  as the reference vector and therefore equal to  $V_1$



$$egin{aligned} U_1 &= V_1 \ U_2 &= V_2 - rac{(U_1^T V_2) U_1}{U_1^T U_1} \ U_3 &= V_3 - rac{(U_1^T V_3) U_1}{U_1^T U_1} - rac{(U_2^T V_3) U_2}{U_2^T U_2} \ dots \ U_n &= \ldots \end{aligned}$$

o normalized

$$U_1^* = rac{U_1}{(U_1^T U_1)^{rac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$U_n^* = rac{U_n}{(U_n^T U_n)^{rac{1}{2}}}$$

- when calculating the new basis, we can ignore the magnitude as they will be normalized later, we can focus on forming vectors that have a 'nice' form i.e. whole numbers
- the span of a subset of the new vectors is the same as the span of the corresponding original vectors:

$$\operatorname{span}\{V_1, V_2, \dots, V_k\} = \operatorname{span}\{U_1, U_2, \dots, U_k\}$$
 where  $k < n$ 

# LOS 4. Null space:

- $\operatorname{Null}(A)$  is a vector space of all column vectors x such that Ax=0. Here,  $\operatorname{Null}(A)$  is a subspace of all 5 imes 1 matrices
- ullet  $\mathrm{Null}(A)$  is a vector space since the sum of 2 x's where Ax=0 will also satisfy Ax=0
- Method of finding Null(A) the through example:

 $\circ$  step 1: find the RREF of A

$$\operatorname{rref}(A) = egin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 & 3 \ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

• step2: solve  $\operatorname{rref}(A)x = 0$ 

$$egin{array}{lll} x_1 - 2x_2 - x_4 + 3x_5 &= 0 & & o x_1 &= 2x_2 + x_4 - 3x_5 \ x_3 - 2x_4 - 2x_5 &= 0 & & o x_3 &= -2x_4 + 2x_5 \end{array}$$

 $\circ$  parameterize x and split into vectors:

$$egin{pmatrix} egin{pmatrix} x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3 \ x_4 \ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = egin{pmatrix} 2x_2 + x_4 - 3x_5 \ x_2 \ -2x_4 + 2x_5 \ x_4 \ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 egin{pmatrix} 2 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 egin{pmatrix} 1 \ 0 \ -2 \ 1 \ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_5 egin{pmatrix} 3 \ 0 \ 2 \ 0 \ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\circ$  the split vectors form the basis of  $\mathrm{Null}(A)$ 

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- observations:
  - $\circ x_1$  and  $x_3$  are in the pivot columns and not included in final vector equation,  $x_1$  and  $x_3$  are basic variables
  - $\circ x_2, x_4$ , and  $x_5$  are free variables
  - $\circ \dim(\operatorname{Null}(A))$  is equal to the number of non-pivot columns or number of free variables

# LOS 5. Application of the null space

- used to determine general solution of an underdetermined system of equations: Ax=b with fewer equations than unknowns  $\to$  the number of rows < number of columns
- step:
  - $\circ$  let u be a general vector in  $\mathrm{Null}(A)$ , any linear combination of the basis vectors of  $\mathrm{Null}(A)$
  - $\circ$  let v be any vector that solves Ax=b, the simplest approach would be to set the free variables to 0
  - $\circ \ x=v+cu$  is general solution to Ax=b where c is a scalar constant that can take any value
  - Proof: Ax = A(u+v) = Au + Av = 0 + b = b

### LOS 6. Column space

- vector space spanned by the columns of the matrix
- form:

$$egin{aligned} A &= egin{pmatrix} a & b \ c & d \end{pmatrix} \ egin{pmatrix} a & b \ c & d \end{pmatrix} egin{pmatrix} x_1 \ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = egin{pmatrix} ax_1 + bx_2 \ cx_1 + dx_2 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 egin{pmatrix} a \ c \end{pmatrix} + x_2 egin{pmatrix} b \ d \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- b has to be in the column space of the matrix A (b in Ax = b)
- find the basis for Col(A) and its dimension
- steps:
  - $\circ$  find rref(A)
  - only the pivot columns are linearly independent, the other columns are linear combination of the pivot columns
  - $\circ$  the original pivot columns of A (before RREF) will be the basis for the column space
  - $\circ$  dim(Col(A)) is equal to the number of pivot columns

# LOS 7. Row space, left null space and rank

- subspaces for A:m imes n
  - $\operatorname{Null}(A)$ : subspace of all  $n \times 1$  matrices
  - $\circ \operatorname{Col}(A)$ : subspace of all  $m \times 1$  matrices
  - $\operatorname{Row}(A) = \operatorname{Col}(A^T)$ : subspace of all  $n \times 1$  matrices
  - Leftnull(A) = Null( $A^T$ ): subspace of all  $m \times 1$  matrices
- observations:
  - $\circ$  dim(Null(A)) = the number of non-pivot columns
  - $\circ$  dim(Row(A)) = the number of pivot columns
  - $\dim(\text{Null}(A)) + \dim(\text{Row}(A)) = n$  (total number of columns of A)
  - $\circ~$  vectors in the row space are orthogonal complement to the vector in the null space, they are orthogonal and when combined they form the entire vector space of  $n\times 1$  matrices
  - $\circ$  dim(Col(A)) = dim(Row(A)) = the number of pivot columns = rank(A): the number of linearly independent columns that the matrix has
  - the number of linearly independent rows and columns is always the same
- full rank: rank equal to the total number of columns

## LOS 8. Orthogonal projections

- projecting a vector a big vector space unto a subspace of the original vector space
- consider:
  - $\circ$  V: n-dimensional vector space
  - W: p-dimensional subspace of V
  - $\circ \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_p\}$ : orthonormal basis for W
- steps:
  - $\circ$  let v be a vector in V
  - $\circ$  the orthogonal projection of v unto W:

$$v_{ ext{proj}_W} = (v^T s_1) s_1 + (v^T s_2) s_2 + \ldots + (v^T s_p) s_p$$

- ullet intuition: we are projecting v along the basis of W
  - $\circ$  basis for V:  $\{s_1, s_2, \ldots, s_p, t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_{n-p}\}$
  - $\circ$  if we have v in V, then:  $v=a_1s_1+a_2s_2+\ldots+a_ps_p+b_1t_1+b_2t_2+\ldots+b_{n-p}t_{n-p}$  where  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  are scalar
  - $\circ$  then, the projection of v:  $v_{\mathrm{proj}_W}=a_1s_1+a_2s_2+\ldots+a_ps_p$  which is a piece of v in the subspace
- $ullet v_{\mathrm{proj}_W}$  is the vector in W that is closest to v

# LOS 9. Least-squares problem

- Consider:
  - $\circ$  data:  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots (x_n, y_n)$
  - *x*: exact
  - o y: noisy data
  - ullet  $y=eta_0+eta_1 x$ , therefore  $y_i=eta_0+eta_1 x_i \ orall i=1,2,\ldots,n$
- The matrix form: synonymous to Ax = b

$$egin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 \ 1 & x_2 \ dots \ 1 & x_n \end{pmatrix} egin{pmatrix} eta_0 \ eta_1 \end{pmatrix} = egin{pmatrix} y_1 \ y_2 \ dots \ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- The problem above is overdetermined, we have more rows than columns, this means b is not
  in the column space of A. The best solution is therefore to project b into the column space of
  A.
- ullet New problem:  $Ax=b_{\mathrm{proj}_{\mathrm{Col}(A)}}$  where  $b_{\mathrm{proj}_{\mathrm{Col}(A)}}$ 
  - $\circ \;\; \mathsf{consider} \, b = b_{\mathrm{proj}_{\mathrm{Col}(A)}} + (b b_{\mathrm{proj}_{\mathrm{Col}(A)}})$
  - $\circ \ (b-b_{\mathrm{proj}_{\mathrm{Col}(A)}})$  component is whatever's left after the projection, this is orthogonal to  $\mathrm{Col}(A)$  (refer to the Gram-Schmidt section on projection of U unto V)
  - $\circ$  if  $(b-b_{\mathrm{proj}_{\mathrm{Col}(A)}})$  is orthogonal to  $\mathrm{Col}(A)$ , then it is also orthogonal to  $\mathrm{Row}(A^T)$  and therefore in null space of  $A^T$ ,  $\mathrm{Null}(A^T)$  meaning  $A^T(b-b_{\mathrm{proj}_{\mathrm{Col}(A)}})=0$
  - $\circ \;$  multiply both sides with  $A^T$  to get the normal equation:

$$A^T A x = A^T b$$

$$x = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

 $\circ$  multiply both sides with A:

$$Ax = A(A^TA)^{-1}A^Tb = b_{\text{proj}_{\text{Col}(A)}}$$

o  $A(A^TA)^{-1}A^T$  is called the projection matrix which projects b into the column space of A