

Lecture 08 recap

- 1) Geometric vectors and Euclidean n – space.
- 2) Identifying a vector with a matrix.
- 3) Subsets of \mathbb{R}^n . Implicit and explicit representations.
- 4) Linear combination
- 5) Linear span (set of all linear combinations).

Lecture 09

**Linear combinations and
linear spans (cont'd)**

Subspaces

Learning points for Lecture 09

Section 3.2 Linear combinations and linear spans

- 1) (Discussion 3.2.5) How to determine whether $\text{span}(S)$ is the entire Euclidean n – space? How this links back to determining whether a linear system is consistent or not?
- 2) (Theorem 3.2.7) What is the minimum number of vectors required to span \mathbb{R}^n ?
- 3) (Theorem 3.2.9) Two characteristics of linear spans.
- 4) A necessary and sufficient condition for one linear span to be entirely contained inside another linear span.

Learning points for Lecture 09

Section 3.2 Linear combinations and linear spans

- 5) (Theorem 3.2.12) If \mathbf{u}_k is a linear combination of the vectors in $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{k-1}\}$ then $\text{span}(S)$ and $\text{span}(S \cup \{\mathbf{u}_k\})$ are equal (notion of redundancy).
- 6) How to express all lines and planes in \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 (those through the origin or not) using linear spans.

Discussion 3.2.5

Suppose $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. We want to determine if $\text{span}(S) = \mathbb{R}^n$.

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{1n}) \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{2n}) \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{u}_k = (a_{k1}, a_{k2}, \dots, a_{kn})$$

For any $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, consider the equation:

$$c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{u}_k = \mathbf{v}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & c_1(a_{11}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{1n}) + c_2(a_{21}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{2n}) + \dots + c_k(a_{k1}, a_{k2}, \dots, a_{kn}) \\ &= (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{cases} a_{11}c_1 & + & a_{21}c_2 & + & \dots & + & a_{k1}c_k & = & v_1 \\ a_{12}c_1 & + & a_{22}c_2 & + & \dots & + & a_{k2}c_k & = & v_2 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{1n}c_1 & + & a_{2n}c_2 & + & \dots & + & a_{kn}c_k & = & v_n \end{cases}$$

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$$c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{u}_k = \mathbf{v} \quad (*)$$

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$$\begin{array}{c} n \\ \text{rows} \end{array} \left(\begin{array}{c} k \text{ columns} \\ \hline \mathbf{A} \\ \hline \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{c} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ : \\ v_n \end{array}$$

If a row-echelon form of \mathbf{A} does not have a zero row,

$(*)$ is always consistent regardless of \mathbf{v}

$$\Rightarrow \text{span}(S) = \mathbb{R}^n$$

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has at least one zero row,

(*) is not always consistent

$$\Rightarrow \text{span}(S) \neq \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\begin{matrix} & & k \text{ columns} \\ n \text{ rows} & \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \text{matrix } A & \begin{matrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{matrix} \end{array} \right) \end{matrix}$$

Example 3.2.6

From earlier example:

Show that $\text{span}\{(1,0,1),(1,1,0),(0,1,1)\} = \mathbb{R}^3$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{No zero row}$$

Show that $\text{span}\{(1,1,1),(1,2,0),(2,1,3),(2,3,1)\} \neq \mathbb{R}^3$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Has zero row}$$

Theorem 3.2.7

Let $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ be a set of vectors in \mathbb{R}^n .

If $k < n$, then S cannot span \mathbb{R}^n .

If $k < n$, then a row-echelon form of A has at least one zero row $\Rightarrow S$ cannot span \mathbb{R}^n .

Suppose $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. We want to determine if $\text{span}(S) = \mathbb{R}^n$.

$$c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{u}_k = \mathbf{v} \quad (*)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} n \\ \text{rows} \end{array} \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \begin{array}{c} k \text{ columns} \\ \mathbf{A} \\ 0 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0 \ 0 \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{array} \end{array} \right)$$

If a row-echelon form of A has at least one zero row,

$(*)$ is not always consistent

Example 3.2.8

- 1) One vector cannot span \mathbb{R}^2 .
- 2) One or two vectors cannot span \mathbb{R}^3 .

Theorem 3.2.9

Let $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$.

1) $\mathbf{0} \in \text{span}(S)$

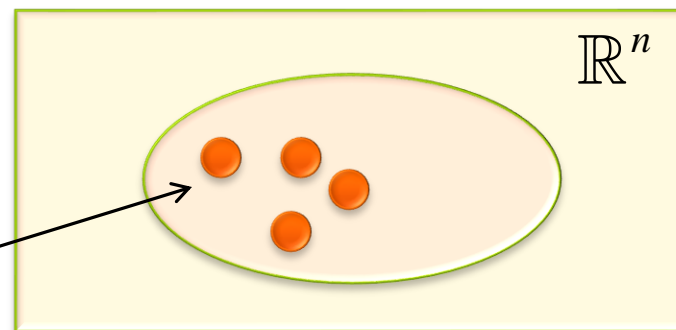
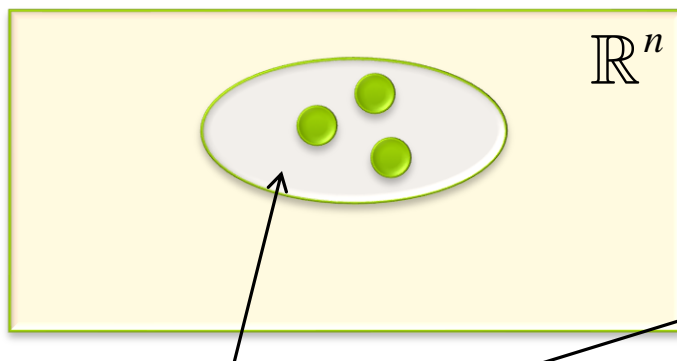
2) For any $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r \in \text{span}(S)$ and $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_r\mathbf{v}_r \in \text{span}(S).$$



Theorem 3.2.10

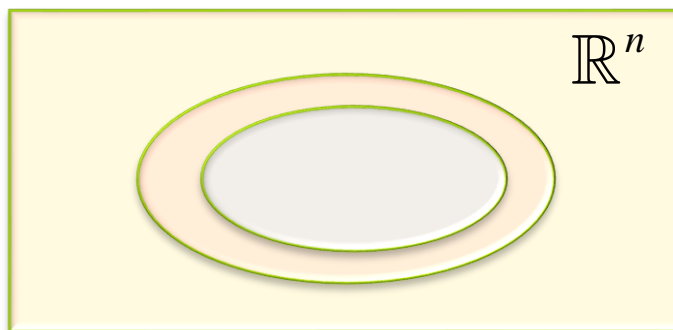
Let $S_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$ and $S_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$ be subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .



Then $\text{span}(S_1) \subseteq \text{span}(S_2) \Leftrightarrow$ each u_i is a linear combination of



v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m .



Example 3.2.11.1

Let $\mathbf{u}_1 = (1, 0, 1), \mathbf{u}_2 = (1, 1, 2), \mathbf{u}_3 = (-1, 2, 1), \mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 2, 3), \mathbf{v}_2 = (2, -1, 1)$.

Show that $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$.

Each of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3$ is a linear combination of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$.

$$= a(1, 2, 3) + b(2, -1, 1)$$

Example 3.2.11.1

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & | & 1 & | & 1 & | & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & | & 0 & | & 1 & | & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & | & 1 & | & 2 & | & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{c} \text{Gauss-Jordan} \\ \longrightarrow \\ \text{Elimination} \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & \frac{1}{5} & | & \frac{3}{5} & | & \frac{3}{5} \\ 0 & 1 & | & \frac{2}{5} & | & \frac{1}{5} & | & \frac{-4}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 & | & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1,0,1) = (1,2,3) + (2,-1,1)$$

$$(1,1,2) = (1,2,3) + (2,-1,1)$$

$$(-1,2,1) = (1,2,3) + (2,-1,1)$$

Since each of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3$ is a linear combination of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$,

$$\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\} \subseteq \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}.$$

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Can we show

Shown:

$\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\} \supseteq \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\} \subseteq \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$.

Each of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$ is a linear combination of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3$.

$$= a(1, 0, 1) + b(1, 1, 2) + c(-1, 2, 1)$$

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$$v_1 = a(1, 0, 1) + b(1, 1, 2) + c(-1, 2, 1)$$

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Since each of $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$ is a linear combination of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3$,

$$\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\} \supseteq \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}.$$

Together with $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\} \subseteq \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$, we have shown

$$\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}.$$

Example 3.2.11.2*

Let $\mathbf{u}_1 = (1, 1, 0, 2)$, $\mathbf{u}_2 = (1, 0, 0, 1)$, $\mathbf{u}_3 = (0, 1, 0, 1)$,
 $\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1)$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = (-1, 1, -1, 1)$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = (-1, 1, 1, -1)$.

Show that $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\} \subseteq \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ but
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$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c|c|c} 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$



How did this
matrix come
about?

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$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c|c|c} 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \longrightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c|c|c} 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

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$$\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1) = a(1, 1, 0, 2) + b(1, 0, 0, 1) + c(0, 1, 0, 1)$$

has no solution.

So \mathbf{v}_1 is not a linear combination of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3$.

Example

Let $\mathbf{u}_1 = (1, 0, 0, 1), \mathbf{u}_2 = (0, 1, -1, 2), \mathbf{u}_3 = (2, 1, -1, 4),$
 $\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1), \mathbf{v}_2 = (-1, 1, -1, 1), \mathbf{v}_3 = (-1, 1, 1, -1).$

Show that $\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\} \not\subset \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}.$

We try to write each \mathbf{v}_i as a linear combination of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3.$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c|c|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right) \longrightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c|c|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

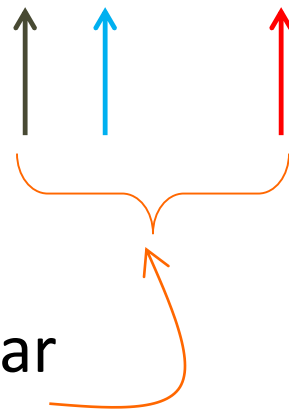
Which \mathbf{v}_i is NOT a linear combination of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3$?

Theorem 3.2.12 ('useless vector')

Suppose $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k$ are vectors taken from \mathbb{R}^n .

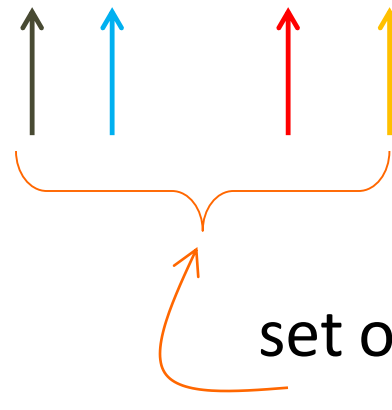
If \mathbf{u}_k is a linear combination of $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{k-1}$, then

$$\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{k-1}\} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{k-1}, \mathbf{u}_k\}$$



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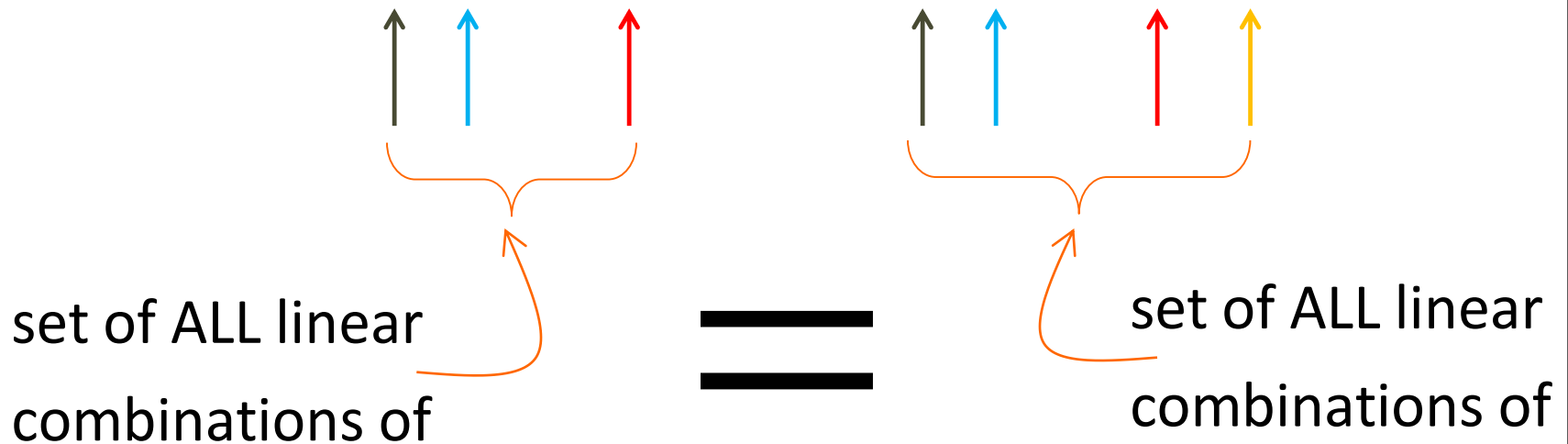


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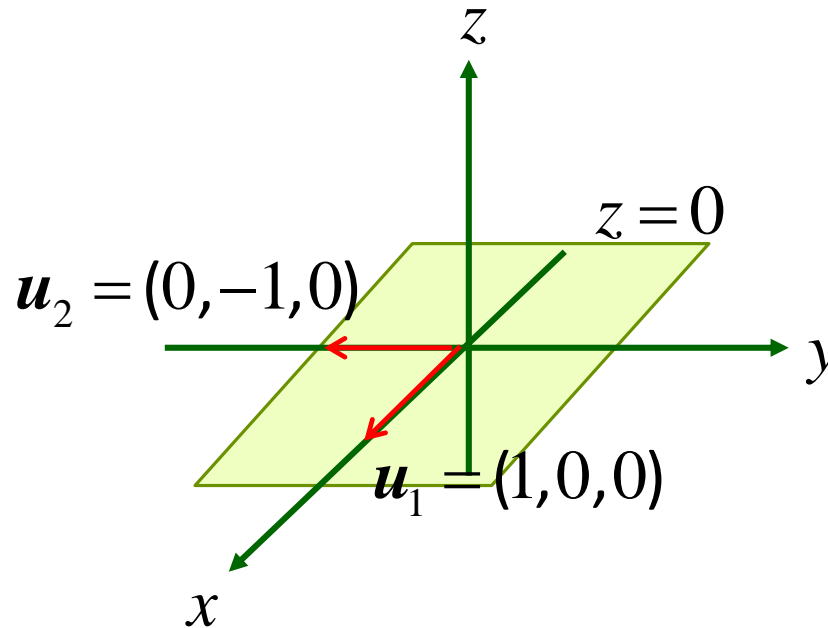


Example 3.2.13*

Let $\mathbf{u}_1 = (1, 0, 0)$, $\mathbf{u}_2 = (0, -1, 0)$, $\mathbf{u}_3 = (2, 3, 0)$.

Clearly, $\mathbf{u}_3 = 2\mathbf{u}_1 - 3\mathbf{u}_2$. So $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$.

Can you describe $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$ geometrically?

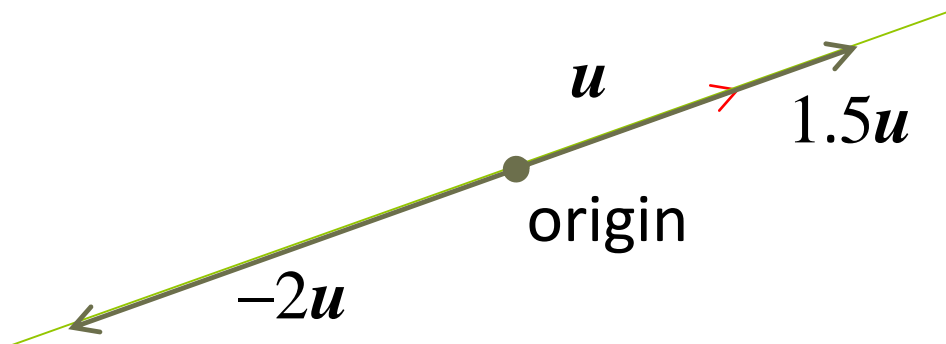


Discussion 3.2.14

Let \mathbf{u} be a nonzero vector in \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3 .

$\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\}$ is the set of all linear combinations (or scalar multiples) of \mathbf{u} .

Geometrically, $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\}$ is a straight line passing through the origin.



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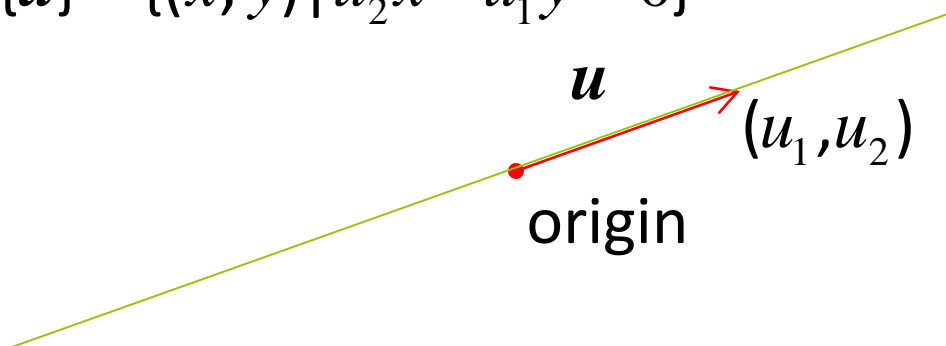
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$$(\text{In } \mathbb{R}^2) \mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2), \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\} = \{(cu_1, cu_2) \mid c \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

(explicit representation)

(implicit representation i.e. equation of line?)

$$\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\} = \{(x, y) \mid u_2x - u_1y = 0\}$$



$$ax + by = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ (u_1, u_2) \end{array}$$

$$au_1 + bu_2 = 0$$

One solution for a, b is $a = u_2$ and $b = -u_1$

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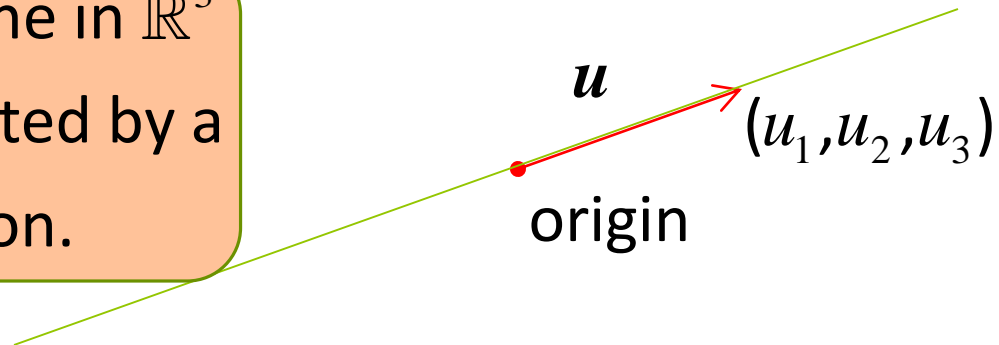
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(explicit representation)

$$\{(0,0,0) + c(u_1, u_2, u_3) \mid c \in \mathbb{R}\} = \{(cu_1, cu_2, cu_3) \mid c \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Remember that a line in \mathbb{R}^3 cannot be represented by a single linear equation.



Discussion 3.2.14

Let \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} be two nonzero vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3 .

$\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$ is the set of all linear combinations of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

$$= \{s\mathbf{u} + t\mathbf{v} \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

What if \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are parallel?

$$\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\}$$

= straight line passing
through the origin.

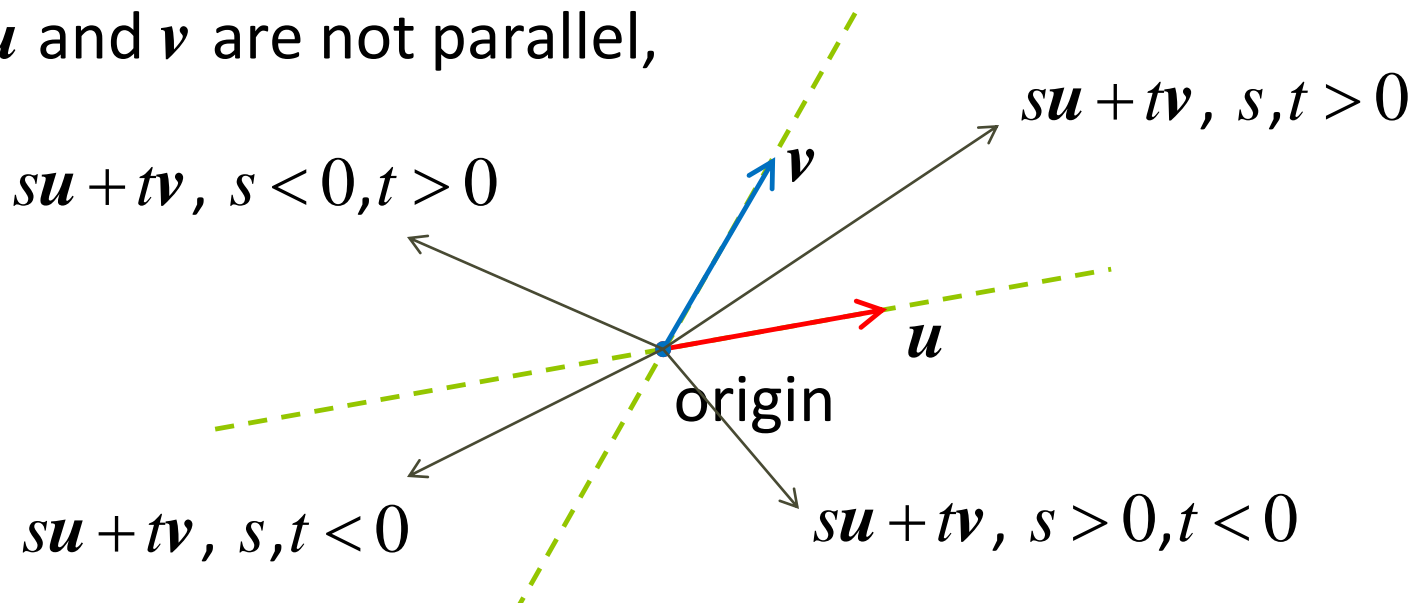
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If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are not parallel,



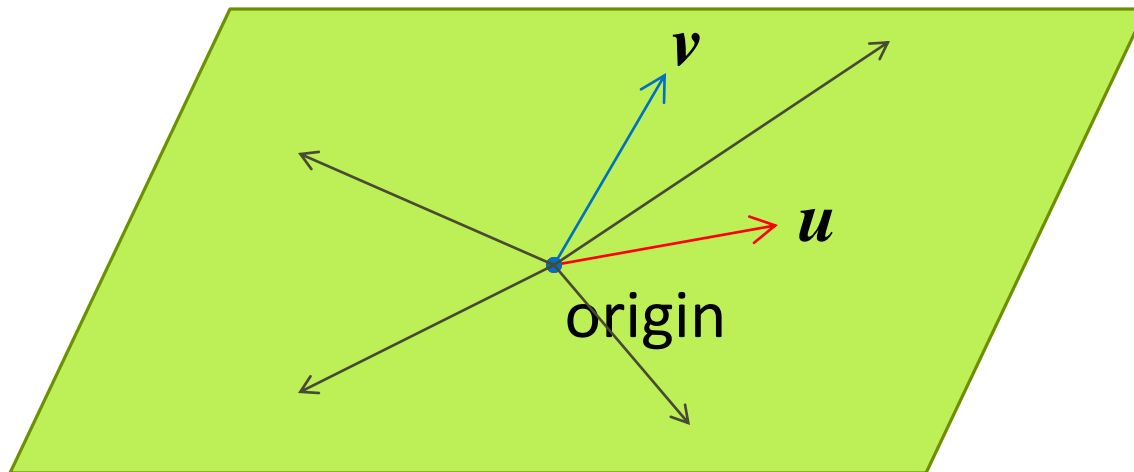
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Let \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} be two nonzero vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3 .

$\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$ is the set of all linear combinations of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

$$= \{s\mathbf{u} + t\mathbf{v} \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are not parallel, $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$ is a plane containing the origin.



Discussion 3.2.14

If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are not parallel,

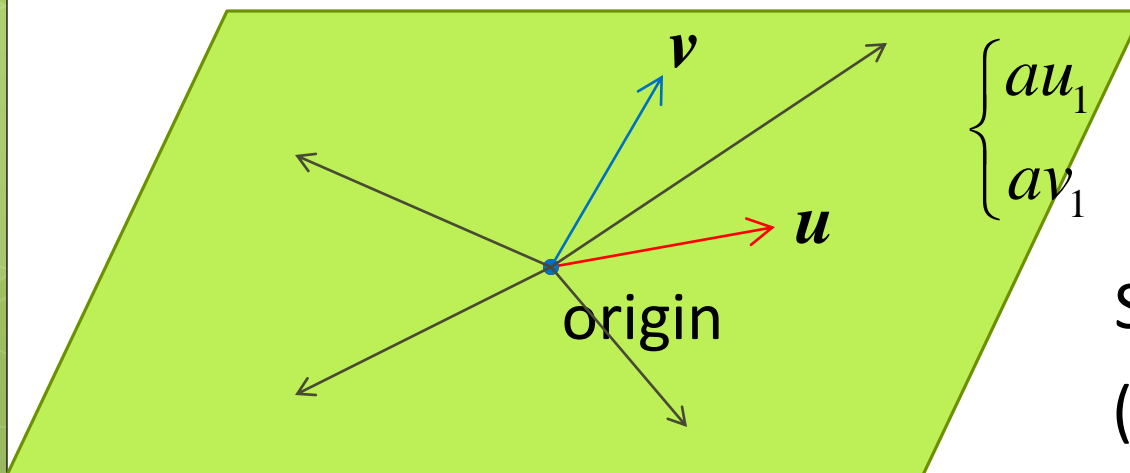
$$(\text{In } \mathbb{R}^2) \text{ span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\} = \mathbb{R}^2.$$

$$(\text{In } \mathbb{R}^3) \text{ span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\} = \{s\mathbf{u} + t\mathbf{v} \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R}\} \text{ (explicit representation)}$$

(implicit representation, i.e. equation of the plane?)

$$\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3), \mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$$

$$ax + by + cz = 0$$



$$\begin{cases} au_1 + bu_2 + cu_3 = 0 \\ av_1 + bv_2 + cv_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solve for a, b, c

(non-trivial solutions)

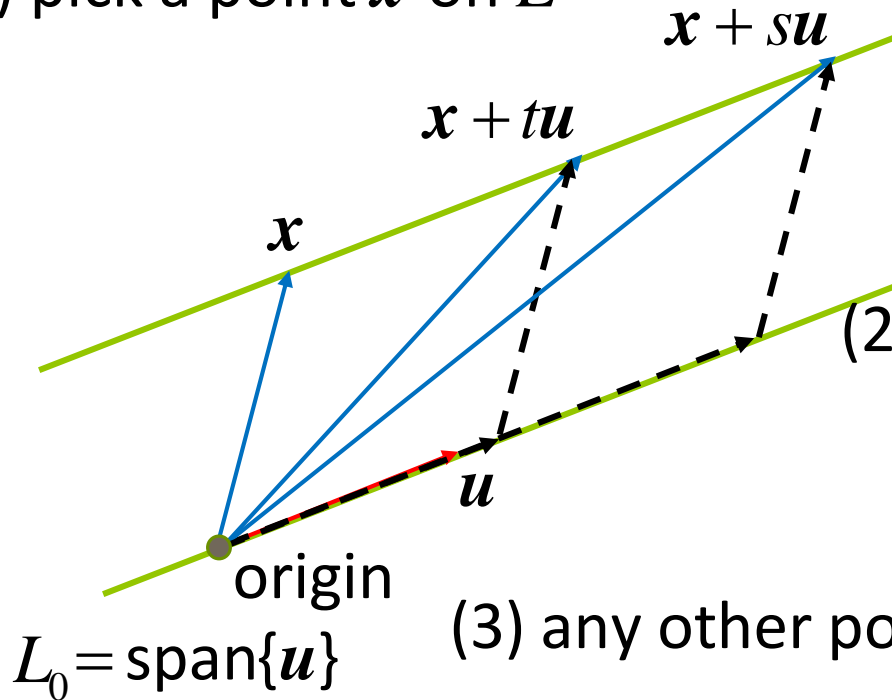
Discussion 3.2.15

The previous discussion shows that linear spans (in \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3) are, geometrically, lines or planes (in \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3) that passes through (or contains) the origin.

What about the converse? Can all lines and planes in \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3 be expressed in set notation using linear spans?

Discussion 3.2.15

(1) pick a point x on L



$$L = \{x + w \mid w \in \text{span}\{u\}\} \\ = \{x + tu \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

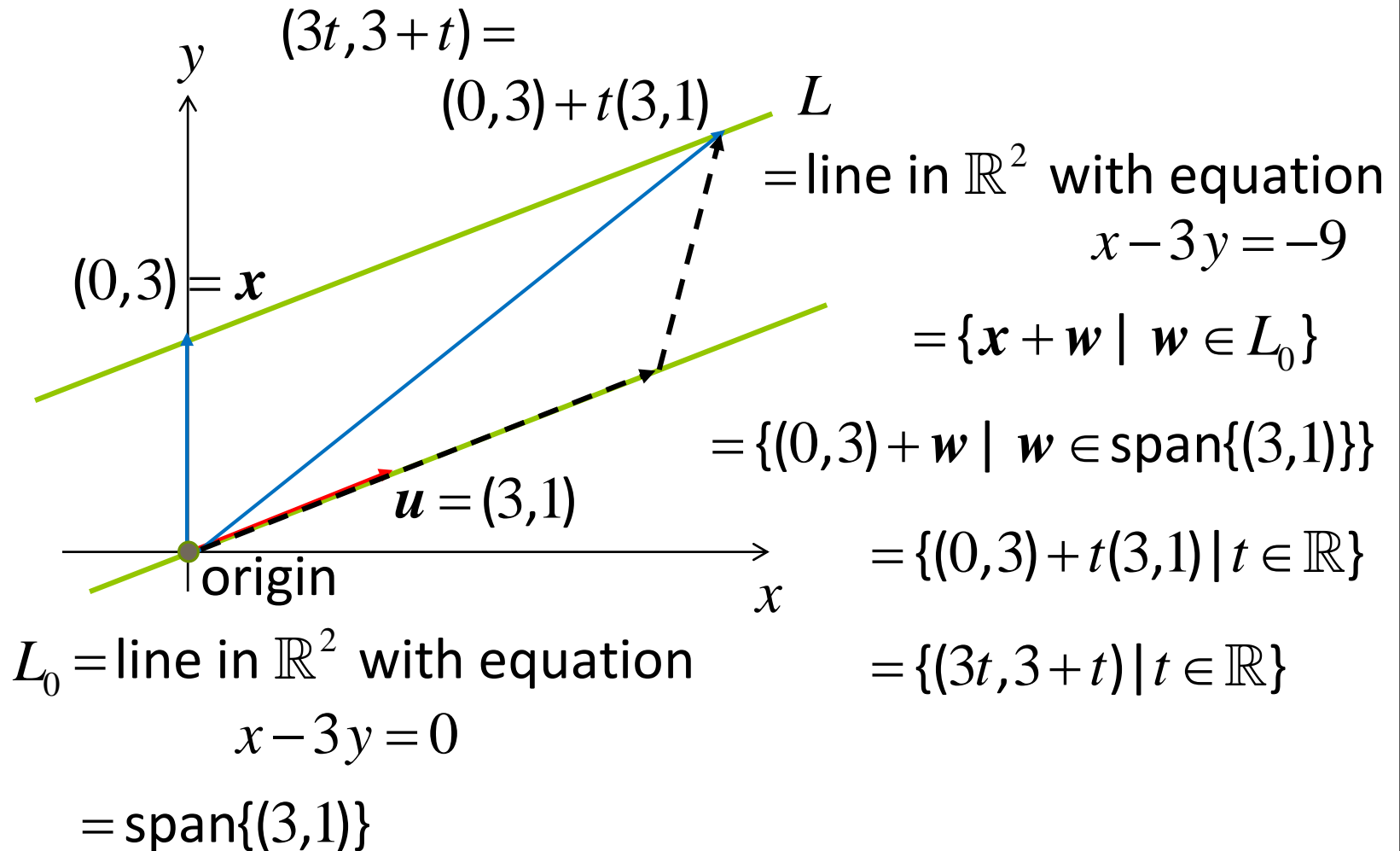
(2) Let $u \in L_0$ ($u \neq \mathbf{0}$), where L_0 is parallel to L and passes through origin

(3) any other point on L can be expressed as $x + w$ for some $w \in L_0$

$$= x + (\text{a scalar multiple of } u)$$

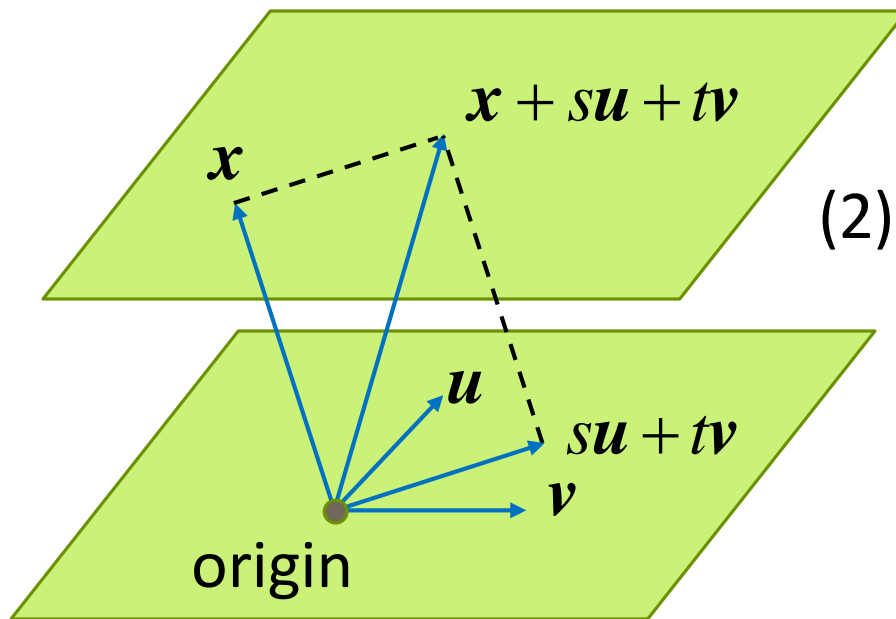
$$= x + w \text{ for some } w \in \text{span}\{u\}$$

Discussion 3.2.15



Discussion 3.2.15

(1) pick a point x on P

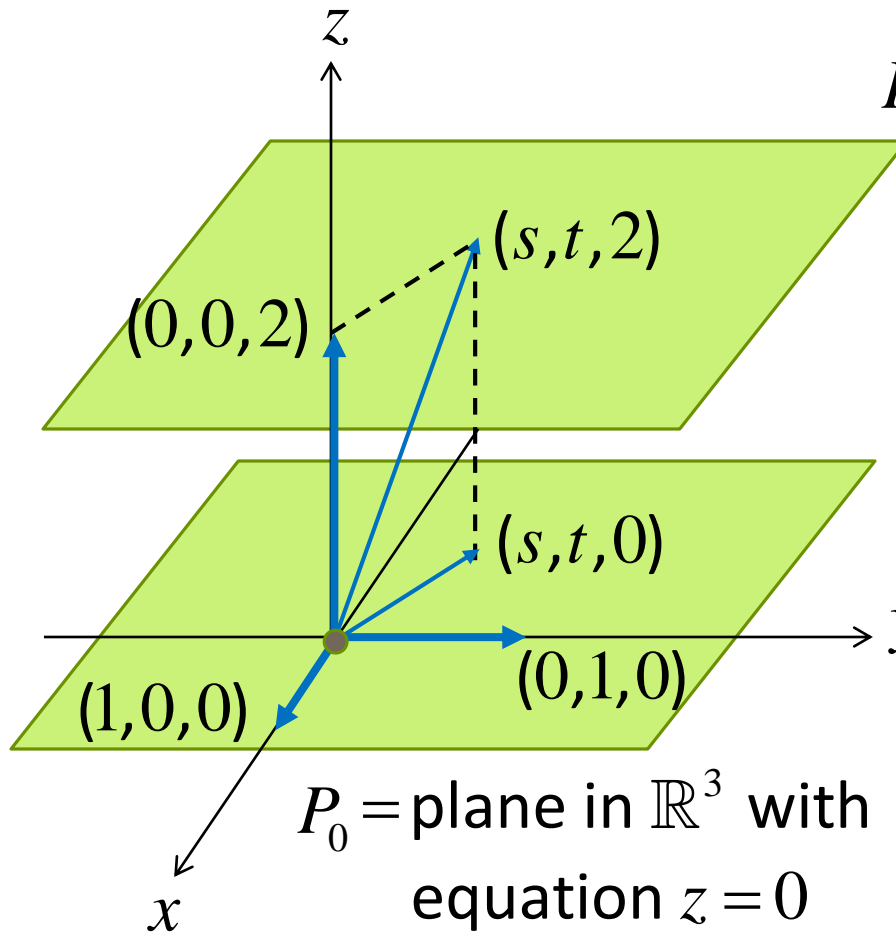


$$P = \{x + w \mid w \in \text{span}\{u, v\}\} \\ = \{x + su + tv \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

(2) Let $u, v \in P_0$ ($u, v \neq \mathbf{0}$),
where $P_0 = \text{span}\{u, v\}$ is
parallel to P and
contains the origin

$P_0 = \text{span}\{u, v\}$ (3) any other point on P can be
expressed as $x + w$ for some $w \in P_0$
 $= x + (\text{a linear combination of } u \text{ and } v)$

Discussion 3.2.15



P_0 = plane in \mathbb{R}^3 with
equation $z = 0$
 $= \text{span}\{(0,1,0), (1,0,0)\}$

P = plane in \mathbb{R}^3 with
equation $z = 2$

$$= \{\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{w} \mid \mathbf{w} \in P_0\}$$

$$= \{(0,0,2) + \mathbf{w} \mid$$

$$\mathbf{w} \in \text{span}\{(1,0,0), (0,1,0)\}\}$$

$$= \{(0,0,2) + s(1,0,0) + t(0,1,0) \mid$$

$$s, t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$= \{(s,t,2) \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Discussion 3.2.15

Can we have lines and planes in \mathbb{R}^n when $n \geq 4$?

1) Take $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, where $\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}$. The set

$$L = \{\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{w} \mid \mathbf{w} \in \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}\}\} \text{ is a line in } \mathbb{R}^n.$$

2) Take $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, where $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$ and \mathbf{u} is not a scalar multiple of \mathbf{v} . The set

$$P = \{\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{w} \mid \mathbf{w} \in \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}\}$$

is a plane (or more generally, a 2-plane) in \mathbb{R}^n .

Discussion 3.2.15

2) Take $x, u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, where $u, v \neq \mathbf{0}$ and u is not a scalar multiple of v . The set

$$P = \{x + w \mid w \in \text{span}\{u, v\}\}$$

is a **plane** (or more generally, a **2-plane**) in \mathbb{R}^n .

3) Take $x, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r \in \mathbb{R}^n$. The set

$$Q = \{x + w \mid w \in \text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r\}\}$$

is called a **k -plane** in \mathbb{R}^n where k is the "dimension" of $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r\}$. (Section 3.6)

End of Lecture 09

Lecture 10:

Subspaces (cont'd)

Linear independence (till Example 3.4.3)