# INTRODUCTION TO LINEAR ALGEBRA

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# 1. WEEK 1: SYSTEMS OF LINEAR EQUATIONS

# Goals of the first week:

- (1) What is a system of linear equations.
- (2) Echolen form (or row echelon form) and reduced echelon form (or row reduced echelOn form).
- (3) The number of solutions of a linear system.
- (4) Solutions of linear systems.

1.1. Week 1, Lecture 1, Aug. 28, 2017, What is a system of linear equations. A linear equation in the variables  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n$  is an equation that can be written in the form

$$a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \dots + a_nx_n = b$$

where b and the **coefficients**  $a_1, \ldots, a_n$  are real (complex) numbers.

**Example 1.1.**  $4x_1 - 5x_2 + 2 = x_1$  is a linear equation because it can be rearranged as  $4x_1 - x_1 - 5x_2 = -2$  and it is the same as  $3x_1 - 5x_2 = -2$ .

A system of linear equations (or a linear system) is a collection of one or more linear equations.

Example 1.2.

$$2x_1 - x_2 + 1.5x_3 = 8$$

$$x_1 - 4x_3 = -7$$
A solution of a system of linear equations is a list  $\begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$  of numbers

of numbers that makes

each equation a true statement when the values  $s_1, s_2, \ldots, s_n$  are substituted for  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n$ , respectively. Also, the set of all possible solutions is called **solution** set of the linear system.

Two linear system are called **equivalent** if they have the same solution set.

Example 1.3. The system

$$\begin{array}{l} x_1 - 2x_2 = -1 \\ -3x_1 + 5x_2 = 2 \end{array}$$

has  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  as the solution set.

1.1.1. Coefficient Matrix and Augmented Matrix of a Linear System. Given the system

the matrix with the coefficient of each variable aligned in columns,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 \\ 5 & 0 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

is called the coefficient matrix of the system above, and

is called the augmented matrix of the system above.

# 1.2. Week 1, Lecture 2, Aug. 30, 2017, Echolen form (or row echelon form) and reduced echelon form (or row reduced echelon form).

1.2.1. *Elementary Row Operations*. The following three are called elementary row operations:

- (Replacement) replace one row by the sum of itself and a multiple of another row.
- (Interchanging) interchanging two rows.
- (Scaling) multiply all entries in a row by a nonzero constant.

# Example 1.4.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ 5 & 0 & -5 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Intechanging}} R1 \longleftrightarrow R2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & -5 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{ScalingR3 by } 1/5} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Replacing } R2 \text{ by } R2 + (-2)R1} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 2 & -8 & 8 \\ 1 & -6 & 17 & -16 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

Two matrices are called row **equivalent** if there is a sequence of elementary row operations that transforms one matrix into the other.

1.2.2. Echolen form (or row echelon form) and reduced echelon form (or row reduced echelon form). A matrix is in echelon form (or row echelon form) if it has the following three properties:

- (1) All nonzero rows are above any rows of all zeros.
- (2) Each leading entry ( the leftmost nonzero entry in a nonzero row) is in a column to the right of the leading entry of the row above it.
- (3) All entries in a column below a leading entry are zeros.

#### Example 1.5.

$$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrr} 2 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right]$$

is in echelon form.

If a matrix in echelon form satisfies the following additional conditions, then it is in reduced echelon form (or reduced row echelon form):

- (4) The leading entry in each nonzero row is 1.
- (5) Each leading 1 is the only nonzero entry in its column.

## Example 1.6.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 0 & 21 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

is in reduced row echelon form.

**Theorem 1.7.** Each matrix is row equivalent to one and only one reduced echelon matrix.

Note that the theorem above is not true for echelon form.

**Definition.** A **pivot position** in a matrix A is a location in A that correspond to a leading 1 in the reduced echelon form of A. A **pivot column** is a column of A that contains a pivot position.

The row reduction algorithm: The algorithm that follows consists of four steps, and by using elementary row operations, it produces a matrix in echelon form. The steps 5-7 produces a matrix in reduced echelon form.

Example 1.8. Transfer the following matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & -6 & 6 & 4 & -5 \\ 3 & -7 & 8 & -5 & 8 & 9 \\ 3 & -9 & 12 & -9 & 6 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

first into echelon form and then into reduced echelon form.

Solution:

**STEP 1:**Begin with the leftmost nonzero column.

**STEP 2:** Select a nonzero entry in the column in Step 1, call this entry *c*. By interchanging the rows, move the nonzero entry to the first row.

 $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & -6 & 6 & 4 & -5 \\ 3 & -7 & 8 & -5 & 8 & 9 \\ 3 & -9 & 12 & -9 & 6 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Intechanging}} R1 \longleftrightarrow R3 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -9 & 12 & -9 & 6 & 15 \\ 3 & -7 & 8 & -5 & 8 & 9 \\ 0 & 3 & -6 & 6 & 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ 

**STEP 3:** Use row replacement operation to create zeros in all positions below the entry *c*.

3	-9	12	-9	6	15	$\mathbf{D}$ and $\mathbf{c}$ is a $\mathbf{D}$ by $\mathbf{D}$ by $\mathbf{D}$	3	-9	12	-9	6	15
3	-7	8	-5	8	9	$\stackrel{\text{Replacing } R2 \text{ by } R2+(-1)R1}{\longleftrightarrow}$	0	2	-4	4	2	-6
0	3	-6	6	4	-5		0	3	-6	6	4	-5

**STEP 4:** Cover (or ignore) the row containing c. Apply steps 1-3 to the submatrix that remains. Repeat the process until there are no more nonzero rows to modify.

ſ	3	-9	12	-9	6	15	Derile die is $D_{2}$ has $D_{2} + (-2/2)D_{2}$	3	-9	12	-9	6	15
	0	2	-4	4	2	-6	$\stackrel{\text{Replacing R3 by R3}+(-3/2)R2}{\longleftrightarrow}$	0	2	-4	4	2	-6
	0	3	-6	6	4	-5		0	0	0	0	1	4

Until now, we have the echelon form of the matrix. By the following steps 5-7, we will produce the reduced echelon form.

**STEP 5:** Begin with last nonzero row. By a scaling operation, make the leading entry 1.

**STEP 6:** Use row replacement operation to create zeros in all positions above the entry 1 in Step 5.

3	-9	12	-9	6	15	Replacing R1 by $R1+(-6)R3$	3	-9	12	-9	0	-9 ]
0	2	-4	4	2	-6	$\longleftrightarrow$ Replacing B2 by B2+(-2)B3	0	2	-4	4	0	-14
0	0	0	0	1	4	$\stackrel{\text{replacing icz by rez}{\longleftrightarrow} }{\longleftrightarrow}$	0	0	0	0	1	4

**STEP 7:** Cover (or ignore) the row containing the entry 1 and, if any, the rows below it. Apply Steps 5 and 6 to the submatrix that remains. Repeat the process until there is no nonzero row to modify.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -9 & 12 & -9 & 0 & -9 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 4 & 0 & -14 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Scaling R2 by 1/2}} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -9 & 12 & -9 & 0 & -9 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 2 & 0 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

	3	0	-6	9	0	-72		1	0	-2	3	0	-24
$\stackrel{\text{Replacing R1 by R1+9R2}}{\longleftrightarrow}$	0	1	-2	2	0	-7	$\xrightarrow{\text{Scaling R1 by } 1/3}$	0	1	-2	2	0	-7
	0	0	0	0	1	4		0	0	0	0	1	4

1.3. Week 1, Lecture 3, Sept. 1, 2017 The number of solutions of a linear system. A system of linear equations has

- (1) no solution, or
- (2) exactly one solution, or
- (3) infinitely many solutions.

A system of linear equations is said to be **consistent** if it has wither one solution or infinitely many solutions, a system is **inconsistent** if it has no solution.

**Theorem 1.9.** (1) A linear system is inconsistent if and only if an echelon form of the augmented matrix has a row of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & b \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (2) If a echelon form of the augmented matrix does not have a row of the form
  [0 0 ··· 0 b] and the coefficient matrix of the system correspond to echelon form has the same number of nonzero rows and columns, then the linear system has only one solution.
- (3) if none of the above happened, then the linear system has infinitely many solutions.

**Example 1.10.** Determine the existence and uniqueness of the solutions of the system

$$3x_2 - 6x_3 + 6x_4 + 4x_5 = -5$$
  

$$3x_1 - 7x_2 + 8x_3 - 5x_4 + 8x_5 = 9$$
  

$$3x_1 - 9x_2 + 12x_3 - 9x_4 + 6x_5 = 15$$

Answer: The augmented matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & -6 & 6 & 4 & -5 \\ 3 & -7 & 8 & -5 & 8 & 9 \\ 3 & -9 & 12 & -9 & 6 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

Look at the Example 1.8, the echelon form of augmented matrix of this linear system is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -9 & 12 & -9 & 6 & 15 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 4 & 2 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since it does not have a row of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$  it is consistent. Also, the coefficient matrix of the system correspond to encoden form is

3	-9	12	-9	6
0	2	-4	4	2
0	0	0	0	1

does not have equal number of nonzero rows and columns, so the system has infinitely many solutions.

1.3.1. Solutions of linear systems. Suppose, for example, that the augmented matrix of a linear system has been changed into the equivalent reduced echelon form

$$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & 0 & -5 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right]$$

There are three variables because augmented matrix has four columns. The associate system of equation is

The variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  corresponding to pivot columns in the matrix are called **basic variables**. The other variable,  $x_3$ , is called a **free variable**.

Solve the equations for basic variables.

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 1 + 5x_3 \\ x_2 = 4 - x_3 \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$$

Let  $x_3 = t$ . Then all solutions are

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+5t \\ 4-t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$
  
So the solution set is
$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Using Row Reduction to Solve a Linear System:

- (1) Write the augmented matrix of the system.
- (2) By row reduction algorithm, Find an echelon form of the augmented matrix, then check the number of solutions by Theorem 1.9. If it does not have solution stop.
- (3) Continue to obtain the reduced echelon form.
- (4) Write the equations corresponding to the reduced echelon form in Step 3.
- (5) Solve equations in a way that each basic variable is expressed in terms of free variables. Then write the set of all solutions.

**Remark.** For a consistent system if we do not have free variables it means the system has only one solution.

**Example 1.11.** Previously in Example 1.8, the row reduced form of the augmented matrix was

The equation associated to the reduced echelon form are

The pivot columns are column 1, column 2 and column 5. Therefore, the basic variables are  $x_1, x_2, x_5$ , and the free variables are  $x_3$  and  $x_4$ . We solve the equations in terms of free variables, we have

$$x_1 = -24 + 2x_3 - 3x_4 x_2 = -7 + 2x_3 - 2x_4 x_5 = 4$$

Let 
$$x_3 = t$$
 and  $x_4 = s$ . Then  

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -24 & +2t & -3s \\ -7 & +2t & -2s \\ & t \\ & & s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -24 \\ -7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
So the solution set is

So the solution set is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -24\\ -7\\ 0\\ 0\\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 2\\ 2\\ 1\\ 0\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -3\\ -2\\ 0\\ 1\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} : t, s \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

2. Week 2: Vector Equations and The Matrix Equation Ax = b

# Goals of the second week:

- (1) Linear combination.
- (2) Span of a set of vectors.
- (3) Solutions of Ax = b, when A is an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- (4) When a set of vectors spans  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

2.1. Week 2, Lecture 1, Sept. 4, 2017, Vector Equations. A matrix with only one column is called a vector. A vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ . For example,  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . A vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$ . For example,  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ -10 \end{bmatrix}$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Given a vector u and a real number c, the **scalar multiplication** of u by c is the vector obtained by multiplying each entry in u by c. The number c, in cu is called a **scalar**.

Example 2.1. Let 
$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$  are both in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .  
$$2u = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$2u + (-3)v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -12 \\ -3 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -10 \\ -7 \\ 21 \end{bmatrix}$$

If n is a positive integer,  $\mathbb{R}^n$  denotes the set of all vectors of the form

 $\left[\begin{array}{c}a_1\\a_2\\\vdots\\a_n\end{array}\right],$ 

where  $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ .

2.2. Week 2, Lecture 2, Sept 6, 2017, Linear Combination. Given vectors  $v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_p$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and given scalers  $c_1, c_2, \ldots, c_p$ , the vector y defined by

$$y = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_p v_p$$

is called a linear combination of  $v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_p$  with weights  $c_1, c_2, \ldots, c_p$ . For example,  $y = \sqrt{3}v_1 + v_2$  is a linear combination of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , and also  $z = 4\begin{bmatrix} 2\\ -4\\ 6 \end{bmatrix} -5\begin{bmatrix} -12\\ -3\\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$ is a linear combination of  $\begin{bmatrix} 2\\ -4\\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} -12\\ -3\\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$ . Example 2.2. Let  $a_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -2\\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $a_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\ 5\\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 7\\ 4\\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Determine, weather b can be generated (written) as a linear combination of  $a_1$  and  $a_2$ .

**Solution.** If b is a linear combination of  $a_1$  and  $a_2$ , then there are scalars  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that

$$x_{1} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -2\\ -5 \end{bmatrix} + x_{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2\\ 5\\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7\\ 4\\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{1}\\ -2x_{1}\\ -5x_{1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2x_{2}\\ 5x_{2}\\ 6x_{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7\\ 4\\ 3 \end{bmatrix},$$

which means

Thus

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 + 2x_2 \\ -2x_1 + 5x_2 \\ -5x_1 + 6x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

, and so we have the following linear system

$$x_1 + 2x_2 = 7$$
  
-2x\_1 + 5x\_2 = 4  
-5x\_1 + 6x\_2 = 3

This system has the augmented matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 7 \\ -2 & 5 & 4 \\ -5 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and this matrix has the row

reduced form 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
. Therefore,  $\begin{cases} x_1 = 3 \\ x_2 = 2 \end{cases}$ . So we have  
$$3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus, b is a linear combination of  $a_1$  and  $a_2$ .

Remark. As we see in the previous Example, a vector equation

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

has the same solution set as the linear system whose augmented matrix is

 $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_n & \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix}$ (\*)

In particular, **b** can be generated by a linear combination of  $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$  if and only if there exists a solution to the linear system corresponding to the matrix (\*).

**Definition.** If  $v_1, \ldots, v_p$  are in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the  $Span\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\} = \{c_1v_1 + \ldots + c_pv_p : c_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is called the subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  spanned (generated) by  $v_1, \ldots, v_p$ ) and it is the set of all linear combinations of  $v_1, \ldots, v_p$ .

# 2.3. Week 2, Lecture 3, Sept 8, 2017, The solutions of AX = b.

**Definition.** We denote by  $M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$  the set of all  $m \times n$  matrices with entries in  $\mathbb{R}$ . If A is in  $M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$ , with columns  $A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n$ , and x is in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then the product of A by x, denoted by Ax, is

$$Ax = [A_1|A_2|\cdots|A_n] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = x_1A_1 + x_2A_2 + \cdots + x_nA_n$$

Example 2.3.

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} + 7 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Theorem 2.4.** If  $A = [A_1|A_2|\cdots|A_n] \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$ , and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then the matrix equation

Ax = b

has the same solution set as the vector equations

$$x_1A_1 + x_2A_2 + \ldots + x_nA_n = b$$

which has the same solution set as the system of linear equations whose augmented matrix is

$$[A_1|A_2|\cdots|A_n|b].$$

**Example 2.5.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ -4 & 2 & -6 \\ -3 & -2 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Is the equation Ax = b consistent for all possible  $b_1, b_2$ , and  $b_3$ .

**Solution.** By the Theorem above, Ax = b has the same solution set as the system of linear equations whose augmented matrix is

An echelon form of this matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & b_1 \\ 0 & 14 & 10 & b_2 + 4b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & b_3 + 3b_1 - 1/2(b_2 + 4b_1) \end{bmatrix}$$

Since we have a row of the form  $[0 \ 0 \ 0 \ b_3 + 3b_1 - 1/2(b_2 + 4b_1)]$ , and for  $b_1 = b_2 = b_3 = 2$ ,  $b_3 + 3b_1 - 1/2(b_2 + 4b_1) = 3$ , we conclude the the system is not consistent for all possible  $b_1, b_2$ , and  $b_3$ .

**Definition.** A set of vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_p\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  spans (or generate)  $\mathbb{R}^m$  if every vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a linear combination of  $v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_p$ , that is, if  $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_p\} = \mathbb{R}^m$ .

**Theorem 2.6.** Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Then the following are equivalent.

- (1) For each  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , the equation Ax = b has a solution.
- (2) Each  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is a linear combination of the columns of A.
- (3) The columns of A span  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .
- (4) A has a pivot position in every row.

**Example 2.7.** Does the set of vectors  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

and 
$$v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
 span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Lemma 2.8.** Let A be a matrix. The leftmost nonzero entry in any row of an echelon form of A corresponds to a pivot.

**Solution.** By Theorem 2.6, this set of vectors span  $\mathbb{R}^3$  if a matrix with columns  $v_1, v_2, v_3$ , and  $v_4$  has a pivot position in every row. Let

$$A = [v_1|v_2|v_3|v_4] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -7 & 0 & 6\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2\\ -1 & 7 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then an echelon form of this matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -7 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and it has a pivot position in every row. So the set of vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$  spans  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

A system of linear equations is said to be **homogeneous** if it can be written in the form  $Ax = \mathbf{0}$ , where  $A \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$  and **0** is the zero matrix in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . Note that homogeneous systems always are consistent since at least  $x = \mathbf{0}$  is a solution of the homogeneous systems.

**Theorem 2.9.** Suppose the equation Ax = b is consistent for some given vector b, and let  $\mathbf{p}$  be a solution. Then the solution set of Ax = b is the set of all vectors of the form  $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{v}$ , where v is any solution of the homogeneous equation Ax = b.

**Example 2.10.** Determine if the following homogeneous system has a nontrivial solution.

$$3x_1 +5x_2 -4x_3 = 0-3x_1 -3x_2 +4x_3 = 06x_1 +x_2 -8x_3 = 0$$

 $The \ augmented \ matrix \ is$ 

The echelon form is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & -4 & 0 \\ -3 & -3 & 4 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 & -8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Just to see it has nontrivial solution) The reduced echelon form is

$$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & 0 & -4/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right]$$

Now you can find the solutions.

# 3. Week 3: Linear independent sets and linear transformations

# Goals of the third week:

- (1) Linear independent and related theorems
- (2) Linear transformations
- (3) Matrix of a linear transformation
- (4) When a linear transformation is onto and when it is one-to-one.

3.1. Week 3, Lecture 1, Sept 11, Linear independent sets. An indexed set of vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_p\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be linearly independent if the vector equation

$$x_1v_1 + x_2v_2 + \ldots + x_pv_p = 0$$

has only trivial solution (i.e., the only solution is  $x_1 = x_2 = \ldots = x_p = 0$ ). The set  $\{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_p\}$  is said to be **linearly dependent** if there exist weights  $c_1, c_2, \ldots, c_p$ , not all zero, such that

$$c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \ldots + c_pv_p = 0$$
 (2).

The expression (2) is called a **linear dependence relation** among  $v_1, \ldots, v_p$  when the weights are not all zero.

**Example 3.1.** Let  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (1) Determine if the set  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is linearly independent.
- (2) If possible, find a linear dependence relation among  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ , and  $v_3$ .

**Solution.** The vectors  $v_1, v_2$ , and  $v_3$  are linearly dependent if the equation

$$x_1v_1 + x_2v_2 + x_3v_3 = 0,$$

i.e.,

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\3 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 4\\5\\6 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$$

has a nontrivial solution. This equation turns to

So the augmented matrix is

$$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right]$$

To solve the linear system above we find the reduced form of the augmented matrix which is the following matrix

$$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right]$$

Since we have a free variable then we have infinitely many solution so the vector equation has a non-trivial solution, therefore,  $v_1, v_2$  and  $v_3$  are linearly dependent.

Now we want to find a linear dependency relation. Note that we can write the linear system correspond to reduced echelon form as

Let  $x_3 = t$ . Then the set of solution is

$$\left\{ \left[ \begin{array}{c} 2t \\ -t \\ t \end{array} \right] : t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

Take t = 1, then  $x_1 = 2, x_2 = -1$ , and  $x_3 = 1$ , and so

$$2\begin{bmatrix}1\\2\\3\end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix}4\\5\\6\end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix}2\\1\\0\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}0\\0\\0\end{bmatrix}$$

is a linear dependence relation among  $v_1, v_2$ , and  $v_3$ .

**Remark.** The columns of a matrix A are linearly independent if and only if the equation Ax = 0 has only the trivial solution.

**Example 3.2.** Determine if the columns of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 5 & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

are linearly independent.

and the echelon form is

**Solution.** We only need to solve the equation Ax = 0, then if the equation has only one solution **0**, then the columns of A are linearly independent. The augmented matrix correspond to the equation Ax = 0 is [A|0], i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 5 & 8 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 13 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, by Theorem 1.9, since the coefficient matrix correspond to the linear system of the echelon form has the equal number of rows and columns then Ax = 0has only one solution and so the columns of the matrix are linearly independent.

**Theorem 3.3.** A set of vectors  $S = \{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}$  of two or more vectoes is linearly dependent if and only if at least one of the vectors is S is a linear combination of the others.

**Theorem 3.4.** If a set contains more vectors than there are entries in each vector, then the set is linearly dependent. That is,  $v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_p$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are linearly if p > n.

**Theorem 3.5.** If a set  $S = \{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_p\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  contains the zero vector, then the set S is linearly dependent.

*Proof.* Let  $v_i = 0$ . Then for every  $c \neq 0$ ,

$$0v_1 + \ldots + c_i v_i + \ldots + 0v_p = 0.$$

Therefore,  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}$  is linearly dependent.

**Example 3.6.** The vectors  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  are linearly

dependent.

Heads-up on next lecture. A transformation (or a mapping, or function) T from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is a rule that assigns to each vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  a vector T(x) in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . The set  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called the **domain** of T and the set  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is called the **codomain** of T. We use the notation  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  indicates that the domain is  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and the codomain is  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the vector T(x) is called the image of x under the action of T. The set of all images T(x) is called the **range** of T.

**Definition.** A transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is called a linear if

- (1) T(u+v) = T(u) + T(v) for all  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- (2) T(cu) = cT(u) for all scalars c and  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

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3.2. Week 3, Lecture 2, Sept. 13, Linear Transformations. A transformation ( or function or mapping) T from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is a rule that assigns to each vector x in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  a vector T(x) in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . We use the notation

$$T: \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m.$$

The set  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called the **domain** of T and  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is called the **codomain** of T. For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the vector  $T(x) \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is called the **image** of x under the action of T. The set of all T(x) is called the **range or image** of T.

**Example 3.7.** Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 3 & 5 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $u = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $c = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$  and define transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  by  $T(x) = Ax$ .

- (1) Find T(u), the image of u under the transformation T.
- (2) Find an  $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$  whose image under T is b.
- (3) Is there more than one x whose image under T is b.
- (4) Determine if c is in the range of the transformation T.

Solution.(1) 
$$T(u) = Au = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 3 & 5 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(2) We want to find a vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $T(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\ 2\\ 05 \end{bmatrix}$ . So we want to

solve the equation 
$$T(x) = Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\ 2\\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$
, i.e.,  
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3\\ 3 & 5\\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1\\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\ 2\\ -5 \end{bmatrix} (*)$$

the augmented matrix corresponding to this equation is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 \\ -1 & 7 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

and its reduced echelon form is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 1 & -0.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} (**)$$

so  $x_1 = 1.5$  and  $x_2 = -0.5$ . Therefore,  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \\ -0.5 \end{bmatrix}$ . So,  $T(\begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \\ -0.5 \end{bmatrix}) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(3) No. Any x whose image under T is b must satisfy (\*). Since the reduced echelon form of the equation in (\*) is (\*\*), We can see that (\*) has only one solution.

(4) The vector c is in the range of T if there exists  $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$  such that T(x) = c, i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 3 & 5 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The augmented matrix of this equation is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 \\ -1 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the reduced echelon form is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -35 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since we have a row of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \cdots 0 & 35 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

this equation does not have a solution. So  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{vmatrix}$  is not in the range of T.

A transformation (or mapping) T is **linear** if

- (1) T(u+v) = T(u) + T(v) for all u and v in the domain of T.
- (2) T(cu) = cT(u) for all scalar c and all u in the domain of T.

**Theorem 3.8.** If T is a linear transformation,

- (1) T(0) = 0.
- (2) T(cu + dv) = cT(u) + dT(v) for all vectors u, v in the domain of T and all scalars c and d.
- (3)  $T(c_1v_1 + \ldots + c_pv_p) = c_1T(v_1) + \ldots + c_pT(v_p)$  for all vectors  $v_1, \ldots, v_p$  in the domain of T and scalars  $c_1, \ldots, c_p$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Example 3.9.** Given a scalar r, define  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by T(x) = rx. Show that T is a linear transformation.

**proof.** We must show that T(u+v) = T(u) + T(v) and T(cu) = cT(u) for any vector  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Note that T(u+v) = r(u+v) = ru + rv = T(u) + T(v), and also T(cu) = r(cu) = (rc)u = (cr)u = c(ru) = cT(u). Therefore, T is linear.

3.3. Week 3, Lecture 3, Sept. 15, The matrix of a linear transformation. We start with a theorem.

**Theorem 3.10.** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be a linear transformation. Then there exists a unique matrix A such that

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

in fact, A is the  $m \times n$  matrix whose jth column is the vector  $T(e_j)$ , where  $e_j \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the jth vector of the identity matrix:

$$A = [T(e_1)| \dots |T(e_n)]$$

The matrix A in the above theorem is called the standard matrix for the linear transformation T.

proof. Write

$$x = I_n x = [e_1| \dots |e_n] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = x_1 e_1 + \dots + x_n e_n,$$

and use the linearity of T to compute

$$T(x) = T(x_1e_1 + \ldots + x_ne_n) = x_1T(e_1) + \ldots + x_nT(e_n)$$
$$[T(e_1)|\ldots|T(e_n)] \begin{bmatrix} x_1\\ \vdots\\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = Ax.$$

**Example 3.11.** Find the standard matrix A for the dilation transformation T(x) = 3x for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

solution. Write

$$T(e_1) = 3e_1 = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} and$$
$$T(e_2) = 3e_2 = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{array} \right].$$

**Definition.** A mapping  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is said to be **onto**  $\mathbb{R}^m$  if each  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is in the range of T, i.e., b is the image of at least one  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Definition.** A mapping  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is said to be **one-to-one** if each  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the image of at most one  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Example 3.12.** Let T be the linear transformation whose standard matrix is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 8 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Does T map  $\mathbb{R}^4$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? Is T a one-to-one mapping?

**Solution.** First note that T(x) = Ax, we can also write that

**Onto.** T is onto if each  $b \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is in the range of T, i.e., for every  $b \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , there is  $x \in \mathbb{R}^4$  such that T(x) = b, that is, T(x) = Ax = b.

Therefore, if Ax = b has a solution for every  $b \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , then T is onto. Since A has a pivot position in each row, thus by Theorem 2.6, Ax = b has a solution for every  $b \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , therefore T is onto.

**One-to-one.** The mapping T is one-to-one if each  $b \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is the image of at most one  $x \in \mathbb{R}^4$ , that is, the equation Ax = b for every  $b \in \mathbb{R}^3$  has at most one solution. However we can see that Ax = b has a free variable. Therefore, Ax = b has infinitely many solutions and so T is not one-to-one.

Notation: Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be a linear map. Denote

$$Img(T) = \{ T(x) : x \in \mathbb{R}^n \}$$

and the kernel of T

$$Ker(T) = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n : T(x) = 0 \}.$$

**Theorem 3.13.** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be a linear transformation. Then T is oneto-one if and only if T(x) = 0 has only one solution. Therefore, T is one-to-one if Ker(T) = 0, and T is onto if  $Img(T) = \mathbb{R}^m$ .

**proof.** Since T is linear T(0) = 0. If T is one-to-one, then from the definition of one-to-one T(x) = 0 has only one solution. For converse, we proof by contradiction. Assume that T(x) = 0 only have one solution, and for some  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$  there are different  $b_1$  and  $b_2$  such that  $T(b_1) = b$  and  $T(b_2) = b$ . Then

$$T(b_2) - T(b_1) = b - b = 0.$$

Note that  $T(b_2) - T(b_1) = T(b_2 - b_1) = 0$  Since T(x) = 0 has only one solution which is zero. Therefore,  $b_2 - b_1 = 0$ , and so  $b_2 = b_1$ , a contradiction since  $b_2$  and  $b_1$  are different.

**Theorem 3.14.** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be a linear transformation, and let A be the standard matrix for T. Then:

- (1) T maps  $\mathbb{R}^n$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^m$  if and only if the columns of A span  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .
- (2) T is one-to-one if the columns of A are linearly independent.

Example 3.15. Let

$$T(x_1, x_2) = (3x_1 + x_2, 5x_1 + 7x_2, x_1 + 3x_2)$$

Show that T is a one-to-one linear transformation. Does T map  $\mathbb{R}^2$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?

**proof.** Let rewrite T as

$$T: \quad \mathbb{R}^2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathbb{R}^3$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mapsto \quad \begin{bmatrix} 3x_1 + x_2 \\ 5x_1 + 7x_2 \\ x_1 + 3x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e.,

$$T\left(\left[\begin{array}{c} x_1\\ x_2 \end{array}\right]\right) = \left[\begin{array}{c} 3x_1 + x_2\\ 5x_1 + 7x_2\\ x_1 + 3x_2 \end{array}\right].$$

First find the standard matrix of T. Note that

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1\\0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\5\\1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$T(\left[\begin{array}{c}0\\1\end{array}\right]) = \left[\begin{array}{c}1\\7\\3\end{array}\right]$$

Thus  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . So by previous theorem *T* is one-to-one if the columns of *A* span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Therefore *T* is

are linearly independent. And T is onto if the columns of A span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Therefore T is onto and T is not one-to-one (why?).

# 4. WEEK 4: MATRIX OPERATIONS

# Goals of the forth week:

- (1) Matrix operations, sum, multiplication, transpose
- (2) Inverse of a matrix
- (3) Elementary matrices
- (4) Algorithm for finding  $A^{-1}$

4.1. Week 4, Lecture 1, Sept. 18, 2017, Matrix operations, sum, product, transpose. • Sums and scalar multiple:

Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 \\ 7 & -10 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  

$$5A = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 15 & 10 \\ -5 & 5 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A - 3B = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 \\ 7 & -10 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 18 & 3 \\ 21 & -30 \\ -3 & 15 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -12 & -2 \\ -14 & 20 \\ 4 & -10 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Theorem 4.1.** Let A, B, and C be matrices of the same size, and let r and s be scalars. Then,

a. A + B = B + Ab. (A + B) + C = A + (B + C)c. (A + 0) = Ad. r(A + B) = rA + rBe. (r + s)A = rA + sAf. r(sA) = (rs)A

**Notation.** Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix. We denote by  $a_{ij}$  or  $(A)_{ij}$  the entry in the row *i* and column *j*.

Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 6 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$
, Then  $a_{12} = (A)_{12} = -1$ 

And  $row_i(A)$  is the *i*th row of A,  $row_2(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  $col_j(A)$  is the *j*th column of A.  $col_3(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ 

• when A is  $m \times n$  matrix and  $B = [b_1| \dots |b_p]$  is an  $n \times p$  matrix, then the product AB is an  $m \times p$  matrix with

$$(AB)_{ij} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \ldots + a_{in}b_{nj},$$

also the columns of AB are  $Ab_1, \ldots, Ab_p$ . That is  $col_j(AB) = A.col_j(B)$ .

$$AB = A[b_1|\dots|b_p] = [Ab_1|\dots|Ab_p]$$

and

$$row_i(AB) = row_i(A).B$$

**Example 4.2.** 
$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$
. *Then.*

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 6 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 5 \\ 14 & 22 \\ -10 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$row_1(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$row_{1}(AB) = row_{1}(A)B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$col_{2}(B) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$col_{2}(AB) = A.col_{2}(B) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 6 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 22 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The identity matrix  $I_n$  is the matrix

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{array}\right]$$

**Theorem 4.3.** Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix, B an  $n \times p$  matrix, C an  $n \times k$  matrix, D an  $p \times s$  matrix. Then

(1) A(BC) = (AB)C (associativity) (2) A(B+C) = AB + AC (left distributive) (3) (B+C)A = BA + CA (right distributive) (4) r(AB) = (rA)B = A(rB) for any scalar r (5)  $I_nA = A = AI_n$ .

Example 4.4. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$row_1(AB) = row_1(A)B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$
  
 $row_2(AB) = row_2(A)B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$ 

Therefore,

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$col_1(BA) = Bcol_1(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$col_2(BA) = Bcol_2(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$BA = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

**Lemma 4.5.** (1) We do not have necessarily AB = BA.

- (2) The cancellation laws do not hold for matrix multiplication. That is, if AB = AC, then not necessarily B = C.
- (3) It is possible that AB = 0 but  $A \neq 0$  and  $B \neq 0$ . (0 here is a matrix whose all entries are zero).
- Powers of a matrix: Let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Then  $A^k = AA \cdots A$  k times.

• **Transpose** of a matrix: Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Then the transpose of A, denoted by  $A^T$ , is an  $n \times m$  matrix whose column j is the row j of A.

Example 4.6. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 \\ -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then

$$A^{2} = AA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 & 0 \\ 0 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$B^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 4 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$(B^{T})^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 \\ -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Theorem 4.7.** Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix, B an  $m \times n$  matrix, and C an  $n \times p$  matrix. Then

(1)  $(A^T)^T = A$ 

(2)  $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$ (3) for any scalar r,  $(rA)^T = rA^T$ , (4)  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$ .

# 4.2. Week 4, Lecture 2, Sept. 20, 2017, 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  $AC = I_n$ 

The matrix C is called the inverse of matrix A.

• The inverse of a matrix A is unique and is denoted by  $A^{-1}$ . So that

$$A^{-1}A = I_n \quad and \quad AA^{-1} = I_n$$
  
Example 4.8. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $C = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -7 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ 
$$AC = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -7 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$CA = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -7 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Theorem 4.9.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ . If  $ad - bc \neq 0$ , then A is invertible and

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

If ad - bc = 0, then A is not invertible.

• For a  $2 \times 2$  matrix the determination of A is

$$det A = ad - bc.$$

Example 4.10. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then det(A) = -1 - 12 = -13 = ad - bc

and

$$A^{-1} = 1/(ad - bc) \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} = 1/-13 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -4 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/13 & 4/13 \\ 3/13 & -1/13 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Theorem 4.11.** If A is an  $n \times n$  matrix, then for every  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the equation Ax = b has the unique solution  $x = A^{-1}b$ .

Example 4.12. Solve the following equation

$$x_1 + 4x_2 = 1$$
$$3x_1 - x_2 = 3$$

Solution. This equation is equivalent to the equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

By provious theorem

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} x_1\\ x_2 \end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 4\\ 3 & -1 \end{array}\right]^{-1} \left[\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 3 \end{array}\right]$$

is the unique solution. So

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/13 & 4/13 \\ 3/13 & -1/13 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Theorem 4.13.** (1) the inverse of the inverse of a matrix A is A, i.e.,

$$(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$$

(2)  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ , if *A* and *B* are invertible *AB* is so. (3)  $(A^{T})^{-1} = (A^{-1})^{T}$ , if *A* is invertible,  $A^{T}$  is so.

• Elementary Matrices: The result of operating a single elementary row operation on identity matrix is called an elementary matrix.

Example 4.14.

$\left[\begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}\right]$	$\overset{R_3\leftrightarrow R_3+2R_2}{\longleftrightarrow}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$	0 1 2	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
$\left[\begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}\right]$	$\stackrel{Scaling R1}{\longleftrightarrow} by 2$	$\left[\begin{array}{c}2\\0\\0\end{array}\right]$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{array}$

• When we operate an elementary row operation on matrix A, the result is the same as EA where E is an  $m \times m$  matrix created by performing the same row operation on I.

Example 4.15. Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ -1 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$
.  
Then  

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ -1 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_3 + (-1)R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ -3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
.  

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_3 + (-1)R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = E$$
Then  $EA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ -1 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ -3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

• Every elementary matrix E is invertible. The inverse of E is the elementary matrix correspond to the elementary operation that transforms E back into  $I_m$ .

Example 4.16. Let 
$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
, then  

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_2 + (-2)R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
.
Therefore,  

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_2 + (-2)R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
.
So we have  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is the  $E^{-1}$ .

4.3. Week 4, Lecture 3, Sept. 22, 2017, Algorithm for finding  $A^{-1}$ . Let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Then the following process will give us  $A^{-1}$ .

- (1) Start with an  $n \times 2n$  matrix whose the first *n* columns are columns of *A* and the last *n* columns are columns of  $I_n$ , i.e.,  $[A|I_n]$ .
- (2) If the reduced echelon form of A is  $I_n$ , A is invertible, otherwise A is not invertible.
- (3) By elementary row operations on  $[A|I_n]$ , change  $[A|I_n]$  to a matrix of the form  $[I_n|B]$ .
- (4) B is the inverse of A, that is  $A^{-1} = B$ .

Example 4.17. Let

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Then

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 & -1 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
Interchanging R1 and R2 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
Replacing R3 and R3 + (-3)R1 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & -2 & | & 0 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
Replacing R3 and R3 + (-3/2)R2 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/2 & | & -3/2 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
Scaling R3 by -2 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/2 & | & -3/2 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
Replacing R2 by R2 + R3   
Replacing R2 by R2 + R3   
Replacing R1 by R1 - R3 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & | & -3 & -5 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & | & 4 & 6 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 3 & 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$
Replacing R1 by R1 + 2R2 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 1 & 3/2 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 3 & 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$
Fore,
$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3/2 & -1/2 \\ 3 & 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

**Theorem 4.18.** An  $n \times n$  matrix is invertible if and only if A is row equivalent to  $I_n$ ; moreover, any sequence of elementary row operations that reduces A to  $I_n$  also transforms  $I_n$  into  $A^{-1}$ .

The theorem above means, if

$$E_1 E_2 \dots E_k A = I_n$$

then

$$A^{-1} = E_k^{-1} \dots E_2^{-1} E_1^{-1} I_n.$$

## INTRODUCTION TO LINEAR ALGEBRA

# 5. WEEK 5, SUBSPACES OF $\mathbb{R}^n$

# Goals of the week:

- A subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , a basis for the subspace, and the dimension of subspace
- Column space, null space, and rank of a matrix.
- Three theorems: Rank theorem, basis theorem, and the invertible matrix theorem.

## 5.1. Week 5, Lecture 1, Sept. 25, Subspaces of $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Review.** Let  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_q\}$  be a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(1) We say that the vectors  $v_1, \ldots, v_q$  are linearly independent if the equation

$$c_1v_1 + \ldots + c_qv_q = 0$$

has only trivial solution.

(2) The span of  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_q\}$ , denoted by  $\text{Span}\{v_1, \ldots, v_q\}$ , is the set of all linear combinations of  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_q\}$ , i.e.,

$$\operatorname{Span}\{v_1,\ldots,v_q\}=\{c_1v_1+\ldots+c_qv_q:c_1,\ldots,c_q\in\mathbb{R}^n\}.$$

**Definition.** A subspace H of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is any subset in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with three properties:

- (1) The zero vector is in H.
- (2) For every u and v in H,  $u + v \in H$ .
- (3) For every scalar c and  $v \in H$ ,  $cv \in H$ .

**Example 5.1.** Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then  $H = \text{Span}\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Solution: Note that

$$span\{v_1, v_2\} = \{c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 : c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , we only need to check the three properties.

(1) Let  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $c_2 = 0$ . then  $0v_1 + 0v_2 = 0 \in span\{v_1, v_2\}$ 

(2) Let  $u, v \in span\{v_1, v_2\}$ . Then there are scalars,  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ ,  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  such that  $v = c_1v_1 + c_2v_2$  and  $u = d_1v_1 + d_2v_2$ . Therefore,

$$v + u = c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + d_1v_1 + d_2v_2 = (c_1 + d_1)v_1 + (c_2 + d_2)v_2$$

is in  $span\{v_1, v_2\}$ .

(3) Let c be an scalar, and  $v \in span\{v_1, v_2\}$ . Then there are  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $v = c_1v_1 + c_2v_2$ . so,

$$c(c_1v_1 + c_2v_2) = (cc_1)v_1 + (cc_2)v_2 \in span\{v_1, v_2\}.$$

Therefore  $span\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

• The column space of a matrix  $A = [A_1 | \dots | A_n]$ , denoted by ColA, is

$$ColA = span\{A_1, \dots, A_n\} = \{c_1A_1 + \dots + c_nA_n : c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

which is the set of all linear combination of columns of A.

**Example 5.2.** Is  $b = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  in the column space of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Solution. Note that the column space of A is

$$span\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0\\3\\-2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1\\-2\\4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0\\3\\-2 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1\\-2\\4 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 3\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} : x_1, x_2, x_3 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Therefore b is in column space of A if the system

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0\\3\\-2 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1\\-2\\4 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 3\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\1\\2 \end{bmatrix}$$

has a solution. The augmented matrix of the system is

and an echelon form is

Since the system is consistent, therefore b is in column space of A.

 $\bullet$  The  ${\bf null\ space}$  of a matrix A, denoted by NulA , is the set of all solutions of the homogeneous system

Ax = 0.

**Theorem 5.3.** The null space of a matrix A is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . That is, the solution set of Ax = 0 is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . (Do it as an exercise.)

• A basis for a subspace H of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a linearly independent set in H that spans H.

Example 5.4. 
$$e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $e_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Since any arbitrary element  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  can be written as
$$a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

 $And \ also$ 

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

has only one solution.

**Theorem 5.5.** The pivot columns of a matrix A form a basis for column space of A. **Example 5.6.** Find a basis for column space of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 7 & 1 \\ -3 & -5 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 7 & 1 \\ -3 & -5 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
  
Replacing R2 by R2+(-2)R1  
Replacing R3 by R3+3R1  
Replacing R3 by R3+4R2  
Replacing R3+4R2  

Therefore the set of columns 1, 2 and 4 of  $\overline{A}$  is a basis for column space of A.

5.2. Week 5, Lecture 2, Basis and Basis Coordinates. • A basis for a subspace H of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a linearly independent set in H that spans H.

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Example 5.7. 
$$e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $e_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Since any  
arbitrary element  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  can be written as  
 $a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .  
And also  
 $x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$ 

has only one solution.

**Theorem 5.8.** The pivot columns of a matrix A form a basis for column space of A. Example 5.9. Find a basis for column space of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 7 & 1 \\ -3 & -5 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 7 & 1 \\ -3 & -5 & -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
Replacing R2 by R2+(-2)R1 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & -8 & 12 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
Replacing R3 by R3+3R1 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & -8 & 12 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
Replacing R3 by R3+4R2 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution.

Therefore the set of columns 1, 2 and 4 of A is a basis for column space of A.

**Definition.** Suppose the set  $\beta = \{b_1, \ldots, b_p\}$  is a basis for subspace H. For each xin H, the coordinate of x relative to basis  $\beta$  are the weights  $c_1, \ldots, c_p$  such that

$$x = c_1 b_1 + c_2 b_2 + \ldots + c_p b_p,$$

and the vector

$$[x]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_p \end{bmatrix}$$

is called the  $\beta$ -coordinate vector of x.
Example 5.10. Let 
$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -6 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (1) Find a basis B for  $span\{v_1, v_2\}$ .
- (2) Is x in span $\{v_1, v_2\}$ .
- (3) Write  $[x]_B$  the B coordinate vector of x.

**Solution.** (Whenever a set of vectors  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}$  is given and you want to find a basis for span $\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}$  do this process:

- (1) Construct a matrix  $[v_1| \dots |v_p]$ .
- (2) Find the pivot positions.

(3) The columns correspond to pivot positions give a basis.) Look at the following matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -6 \\ -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix},$$

then an echelon form of this matrix is

$$\left[\begin{array}{rrr}1 & -1\\0 & -4\\0 & 2\end{array}\right]$$

Since both columns have pivot positions therefore,  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are a basis for span{ $v_1, v_2$ }.

(2) 
$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is in span $\{v_1, v_2\}$  if the following system is consistent.  

$$x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -6 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$
the augmented matrix is
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The augmented matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -6 & -2 \\ -3 & 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then an echelon form of this matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \longleftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -4 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

.

Thus, the system is consistent and a solution is  $x_2 = 1$  and  $x_1 = 2$ . Thus,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\-3 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} -1\\-6\\5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\-2\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$$
(3) Therefore  $[x]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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5.3. Week 5, Lecture 3, Dimension and Theorems.

**Definition.** The dimension of a non-zero subspace H, denoted by dimH, is the number of vectors in any basis for H. The dimension of the zero subspace  $\{0\}$  is defined to be zero.

Example 5.11. Find a basis and the dimension for

$$span\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\-1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4\\4\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2\\0\\2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

**Solution.** (Put the columns on a matrix, the number of pivot position will be the dimension.)

So look at

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

An echelon form of the matrix is

Therefore, the pivot position are in row 1 and row 2, therefore,  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\-1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is

a basis and the dimension is 2.

**Definition.** The rank of a matrix A, denoted by rank A, is the dimension of column space of A.

**Theorem 5.12** (The Rank Theorem). If a matrix A has n columns, then

$$rankA + dim NulA = n$$

**Theorem 5.13** (The basis theorem). Let H be a subspace of dimension p of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

- (1) Any linearly independent set of p element automatically span H.
- (2) If p vectors span H, then they are linearly independent.

**Theorem 5.14** (The inverse matrix theorem). Let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Then the following statements are equivalent.

(1) 
$$A$$
 is invertible.

- (2) The columns of A form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- (3) Col  $A = \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- (4) dim Col A = n
- (5) rank A = n
- (6) Nul  $A = \{0\}$
- (7) dim Nul A = 0.

Example 5.15. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 6 & -1 & 1 & -7 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 5 & 8 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find a basis for NulA. What is the dimension of NulA.

Solution. The reduced echelon form of the augmented matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,  $x_1$  and  $x_3$  are basic variables and  $x_2, x_4$ , and  $x_5$  are free variables. Then

Now, let  $x_2 = t, x_4 = r, x_5 = y$ . Then

$$x_1 = 2t + r - 3y$$
$$x_3 = -2r + 2y$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2t+r-3y \\ t \\ -2r+2y \\ r \\ y \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + r \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$NulA = span \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1\\0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\-2\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3\\0\\2\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Moreover, they are linearly independent and so the dimension is 3.

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# 6. Week 6, Determinants

Goals of the week:

- The Determinant of an  $n \times n$  matrix and its properties
- First midterm

## 6.1. Week 6, Lecture 1, Oct.2, Determinant.

• For any square matrix A, let  $A_{ij}$  denote the submatrix formed by deleting the *i*th row and *j*th columns of A.

Example 6.1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 4 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 10 & 5 \\ -2 & 6 & 7 & 0 \\ -5 & 3 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$A_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 10 & 5 \\ -2 & 7 & 0 \\ -5 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$
$$A_{34} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 10 \\ -5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Definition.** For  $n \ge 2$ , the determinant of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]$  is

 $det A = a_{11} det A_{11} - a_{12} det A_{12} + \ldots + (-1)^{n+1} a_{1n} det A_{1n}$  $= \sum_{j=1}^{n} (-1)^{1+j} a_{1j} det A_{1j}.$ 

Example 6.2. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 7 & -1 & 0 \\ 5 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$det A = -1det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 3det \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$+2det \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)(-1) - 3(7) + 2(-14 + 5)$$
$$= 1 - 21 - 18 = -38$$

**Definition.** Given  $A = [a_{ij}]$ , the (i, j)-cofactor of A is  $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} det A_{ij}$ 

So

$$det A = a_{11}C_{11} + a_{12}C_{12} + \ldots + a_{1n}C_{1n}.$$

Example 6.3. Let

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 7 & -1 & 0 \\ 5 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right].$$

Then

$$C_{23} = (-1)^5 det A_{23}$$
$$= (-1)^5 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 5 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)(2 - 15) = 13.$$

**Theorem 6.4.** The determinant of an  $n \times n$  matrix A can be computed by cofactor expression across any row or down any columns. The determinant is the cofactor expression across the *i*th row,

$$detA = a_{i1}C_{i1} + a_{i2}C_{i2} + \ldots + a_{in}C_{in}$$

The cofactor expression down the jth column is

$$det A = a_{1j}C_{1j} + a_{2j}C_{2j} + \ldots + a_{nj}C_{nj}$$

Example 6.5. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(1) Find the determinant of A by cofactor expression of row 2.

(2) Find the determinant of A by cofactor expression down to 3th column.

**Solution.** (1) The cofactor expression of row 2 is

$$det A = a_{21}C_{21} + a_{22}C_{22} + a_{23}C_{23}$$
$$= 0C_{21} + 1 \times C_{22} + (-1)C_{23}$$

$$C_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \times (9+5) = 14$$
$$C_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 5 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)(-3-10) = 13.$$

Therefore, det A = 14 + (-1)(13) = 1.

(2) The cofactor expression of column 3 is

$$det A = a_{13}C_{13} + a_{23}C_{23} + a_{33}C_{33}$$
$$= (-1)C_{13} + (-1)C_{23} + 3C_{33}$$
$$C_{13} = (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 5 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -5$$
$$C_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 5 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 13$$
$$C_{33} = (-1)^{3+3} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 5 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 3$$

 $\operatorname{So}$ 

$$det A = (-1)(-5) + (-1)(13) + 3 \times 3$$
$$= 5 - 13 + 9 = 1$$

**Definition.** A triangular matrix is a matrix with all entries below main diagonal zero.

Example 6.6.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Theorem 6.7.** If A is a triangular matrix, then det A is the product of entries on the main diagonal of A.

- 6.2. Week 6, Lecture 2, Oct.4, Inquiries.
- 6.3. Week 6, Lecture 3, Oct.6, Midterm 1.

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7. WEEK 7, DETERMINANTS, CRAMER'S RULE, AND INVERSE OF A MATRIX

Goals of the week:

- Properties of Determinant
- Cramer's Rule
- Inverse of a Matrix
- linear Transformation

# 7.1. Week 7, Lecture 1, Oct.9, Properties of Determinants.

• We study the effect of row operations on the determinant.

**Theorem 7.1.** (Row operations) Let A be a square matrix.

(1) If a multiple of one row of A is added to another row to produce a matrix B, then

$$detB = detA.$$

- (2) If two rows of A are interchanged to produce B, then detB = -detA
- (3) If one row of A is multiplied by the scalar k to produce B, then detB = k.detA.

**Theorem 7.2.** If A is an  $n \times n$  matrix, then  $detA^T = detA$ .

Example 7.3. Let

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{rrr} 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & -1 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right].$$

Compute detA.

Solution.

$$detA = det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -6 \\ 1 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

**Example 7.4.** If we have det A = -2 where

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{rrr} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{array} \right]$$

Compute the determinant of the following matrices.

(1)

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 2a & d & -g \\ 2b & e & -h \\ 2c & f & -i \end{array}\right]$$

(2)

$$\left[\begin{array}{rrrr}a&b&c\\-2a+d&-2b+e&-2c+f\\g&h&i\end{array}\right]$$

Solution.

(1)

$$det \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} = 1/2det \begin{bmatrix} 2a & 2b & 2c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} = -1/2det \begin{bmatrix} 2a & 2b & 2c \\ d & e & f \\ -g & -h & -i \end{bmatrix} = -1/2det \begin{bmatrix} 2a & d & -g \\ 2b & e & -h \\ 2c & f & -i \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$-2 = -1/2det \begin{bmatrix} 2a & d & -g \\ 2b & e & -h \\ 2c & f & -i \end{bmatrix}$$

and so

$$det \begin{bmatrix} 2a & d & -g \\ 2b & e & -h \\ 2c & f & -i \end{bmatrix} = 4.$$

(2) The determinant of the matrix in (2) is the same as the determinant of A since we replace the second row of A by the sum of the second row and a multiple of the first row.

**Theorem 7.5.** A square matrix is invertible if and only if  $det A \neq 0$ .

**Theorem 7.6.** If A and B are  $n \times n$  matrix, then

$$det(AB) = det(BA) = det(A)det(B).$$

 $\bullet$  Determinant of elementary matrix E

$$detE = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } E \text{ is a row replacement} \\ -1 & \text{if } E \text{ is an interchanger} \\ r & \text{if } E \text{ is a scalar by } r \end{cases}$$

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## 7.2. Week 7, Lecture 2, Oct. 11, Cramer's Rule and Inverse of a Matrix.

• Cramer's Rule: It gives you the solution of the equation Ax = b for an invertible matrix A.

For any invertible  $n \times n$  matrix A and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $A_i(b)$  be the matrix obtained form A by replacing column i by the vector b. So if  $A = [A_1 | \dots | A_i | \dots | A_n]$ , then

$$A_i(b) = [A_1| \dots |b| \dots |A_n].$$

**Theorem 7.7** (Cramer's Rule). Let A be an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix. Then the unique

solution of the equation  $A\begin{bmatrix} x_1\\ \vdots\\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = b$  has entries,  $x_i = \frac{\det A_i(b)}{\det A}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$ 

**Example 7.8.** Use the Cramer's rule to solve the system

$$\begin{array}{rrrrr} x_1 & -2x_2 & = 6 \\ -2x_1 & +3x_2 & = 1 \end{array}$$

Solution. We can write the equation as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So by Cramer's rule we have

$$x_1 = \frac{detA_1(b)}{detA}$$
  $x_2 = \frac{detA_2(b)}{detA}$ 

Therefore, we should first find the determinant of A, which is  $det A = 1 \times 3 - (-2) \times$ (-2) = -1. Also,

$$det A_1(b) = det \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2\\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 20 \qquad and \qquad det A_2(b) = det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6\\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 13$$

Therefore,  $x_1 = \frac{20}{-1} = -20$  and  $x_2 = \frac{13}{-1} = -13$ . So  $\begin{bmatrix} -20\\ -13 \end{bmatrix}$  is the unique solution of the system.

• A formula for  $A^{-1}$ 

Remember that the (i, j)-cofactor is

$$C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} det A_{ij}$$

Let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix. The following matrix is denoted by adj A

$$adjA = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & \dots & C_{1n} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} & \dots & C_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ C_{n1} & C_{n2} & \dots & C_{nn} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

**Theorem 7.9.** (An Inverse formula) Let A be an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix. Then

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{detA} a dj A.$$

Example 7.10. Find the inverse of the matrix

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 0 & 5 \\ -3 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

solution. What we should find are adjA and the determinant of A. The cofactors are

$$C_{11} = (-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 5 \qquad C_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ -3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -15$$

$$C_{13} = (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -6 \qquad C_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -1$$

$$C_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \qquad C_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -3$$

$$C_{31} = (-1)^{3+1} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 10 \qquad C_{32} = (-1)^{3+2} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 6 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = -9$$

$$C_{33} = (-1)^{3+3} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 6 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -6$$

We can compute the determinant by cofactor expression of the first row, so

$$det A = a_{11}C_{11} + a_{12}C_{12} + a_{13}C_{13}$$
$$= 3 \times 5 + 2 \times (-15) + 1 \times (-6) = -21$$

Also

$$adjA = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & C_{13} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} & C_{23} \\ C_{31} & C_{32} & C_{33} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -15 & -6 \\ -1 & 3 & -3 \\ 10 & -9 & -6 \end{bmatrix}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 & 10 \\ -15 & 3 & -9 \\ -6 & -3 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{detA} adjA = \frac{1}{-21} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 & 10 \\ -15 & 3 & -9 \\ -6 & -3 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 5/-21 & -1/-21 & 10/-21 \\ -15/-21 & 3/-21 & -9/-21 \\ -6/-21 & -3/-21 & -6/-21 \end{bmatrix}.$$

• Parallelogram is a simple quadrilateral with two pairs of parallel sides.

Example 7.11. draw a picture

• The volume of the parallelepiped draw a picture

**Theorem 7.12.** If A is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix, the area of the parallelogram determined by the columns of A is |detA|. If A is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix, the volume of the parallelepiped determined by the columns of A is |detA|.

**Example 7.13.** (1) Find the area of the parallelogram determined by  $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\2 \end{bmatrix}$  and

 $\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ 0\\ draw \ a \ picture \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$area = \left| det \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \right| = 2$$

(2) Find the volume of the parallelepiped determined by  $\begin{bmatrix} 3\\6\\-3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 2\\0\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\5\\0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

draw a picture

#### 7.3. Week 7, Lecture 3, Oct. 13, Vector Space.

**Definition:** A vector space consist of the following:

- (1) a Field of scalars; In this course we only work with  $\mathbb{R}$ , the field of real numbers;
- (2) a set V of objects, called vectors;
- (3) addition: a rule( or operation), called vector addition, which associate with each pair of vectors u and v in V a vector u + v in V, called the sum of u and v, in such a way that
  - (a) u + v = v + u; (commutativity of addition)
  - (b) u + (v + w) = (u + v) + w (associativity of addition) w is also in V
  - (c) there is a zero vector 0 in V such that u + 0 = u.
  - (d) for each vector u in V, there is a vector -u in V such that u + (-u) = 0.
- (4) scalar multiplication: a rule (or operation) called scalar multiplication which associate each scalar c in  $\mathbb{R}$  and vector  $u \in V$  a vector cu in V, called product of c and u, in such a way that
  - (a) 1u = u for every  $u \in V$ ;
  - (b) c(du) = (cd)u;
  - (c) (c+d)u = cu + du;
  - (d) c(u+v) = cu + cv.

**Example 7.14.** Show that  $M_{2\times 3}(\mathbb{R})$ , the set of all  $2 \times 3$  matrices is a vector space.

# Solution.

- (1)  $\mathbb{R}$  is the field of scalars
- (2) The set of objects is the set of  $2 \times 3$  matrices
- (3) addition operator is the sum (or addition of matrices): Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix}$ ,

 $B = \begin{bmatrix} g & h & i \\ k & l & m \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} w & y & z \\ r & p & q \end{bmatrix}$ be three arbitrary matrix in  $M_{2\times 3}(\mathbb{R})$ . Then

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} g & h & i \\ k & l & m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+g & b+h & c+i \\ d+k & e+l & f+m \end{bmatrix}$$

is in  $M_{2\times 3}(\mathbb{R})$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} g & h & i \\ k & l & m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+g & b+h & c+i \\ d+k & e+l & f+m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g+1 & h+b & i+c \\ k+d & l+e & m+f \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} g & h & i \\ k & l & m \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix}$$
For any  $A \ B \ C \in M$  (P)

(b) For any  $A, B, C \in M_{2 \times 3}(\mathbb{R})$ ,

$$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$$

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(c) There is the zero matrix  $0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  such that A + 0 = A

- (d) For each matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix} \in M_{2\times 3}(\mathbb{R})$  there is a matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} -a & -b & -c \\ -d & -e & -f \end{bmatrix}$  such that  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -a & -b & -c \\ -d & -e & -f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- (4) (Scalar multiplication) For any  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $A \in M_{2\times 3}(\mathbb{R})$ , we have that  $cA \in M_{2\times 3}(\mathbb{R})$ 
  - (a) The scalar 1.A = A for any  $A \in M_{2\times 3}(\mathbb{R})$  since if we multiply the entries of A by 1 we have A.
  - (b) Let c and d be in  $\mathbb{R}$ , then c(dA) = (cd)A.
  - (c) (c+d)A = cA + dA
  - (d) c(A+B) = cA + cB

#### 8. Week 8, Vector Space

Goals of the week:

- More examples for vector space, and subspace
- Review of the null space and column space
- Linear Transformation
- Linear dependent sets and bases

#### 8.1. Week 8, Lecture 1, Oct.16, some example for vector space.

**Definition. Polynomial:** The set of polynomials of degree at most n, is denoted by  $\mathbb{P}_n$ , consists of all polynomials of the form

$$p(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \ldots + a_m t^m$$

where  $m \leq n$ .

Example 8.1.

$$1 + 2t + 3t^2 \in \mathbb{P}_3$$
$$1 - 3t + 4t^4 \in \mathbb{P}_4$$

**Example 8.2.** Show that the set of all polynomials of degree n, is a vector space.

- (1) Field of scalars is  $\mathbb{R}$
- (2) objects are polynomials
- (3) (addition) is the sum of polynomials. Let  $k \le m \le n$ , and  $f(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \ldots + a_m t^m \in \mathbb{P}_n$ ,  $g(t) = b_0 + b_1 t + \ldots + b_k t^k \in \mathbb{P}_n$ , then  $f(t) + g(t) = (a_0 + b_1) + (a_0 + b_2) t + (a_0 + b_2) t^k + (a_0$

$$f(t) + g(t) = (a_0 + b_0) + (a_1 + b_1)t + \dots + (a_k + b_k)t^k + \dots + (a_m)t^m \in \mathbb{P}_n.$$
  
(a)  $f(t) + s(t) = s(t) + f(t)$ 

 $f(t) + s(t) = (a_0 + b_0) + (a_1 + b_1)t + \ldots + (a_k + b_k)t^k + \ldots + (a_m)t^m$ and

$$s(t) + f(t) = (b_0 + a_0) + (b_1 + a_1)t + \dots + (b_k + a_k)t^k + \dots + (a_m)t^m$$
  
so

$$f(t) + s(t) = s(t) + f(t)$$

- (b) f(t) + (s(t) + g(t)) = (f(t) + s(t)) + g(t)
- (c) The zero polynomial is  $0 + 0t + \ldots + 0t^n$ , and so

$$f(t) + 0 = a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_n t^n + 0 + 0t + \dots + 0t^n = a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_n t^n = f(t).$$
(d) For each  $f(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_n t^n$ ,

call 
$$f(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_n t^n$$
  
 $-f(t) = -a_0 - a_1 t + \dots - a_n t^n$ 

and so f(t) + (-f(t)) = 0

(4) we have the scalar multiplication as follows

$$c.f(t) = ca_0 + \ldots + ca_n t^n$$

It is clear that c.f(t) is a polynomial in  $P_n$ .

(a) 1.f(t) = f(t)(b) c(df(t)) = (cd)f(t)(c) (c+d)f(t) = cf(t) + df(t)

(d) c(f(t) + g(t)) = cf(t) + cg(t).

#### 8.2. Week 8, Lecture 2, Oct.18, Subspace.

**Example 8.3.** Let K be the set of all functions on the interval [a, b]. Then K is a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- (1) (sum) Let f and g be in K. Then (f+g)(c) = f(c) + g(c) for every  $c \in [a,b]$ (Example: f = sinx + 1 and  $g = 2x + x^2$ , then  $(f+g)(c) = f(c) + g(c) = sin c + 1 + 2c + c^2$ .
- (2) (zero) The zero element of K is zero function, i.e.,  $\mathbf{0}: [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\mathbf{0}(c)=0$ .
- (3) The negative of any function f in K is (-f) where (-f)(c) = -f(c).
- (4) (scalar multiplication) for every  $f \in K$  and scalar d, (df) is a function such that (df)(c) = df(c).

**Definition.** A subspace of a vector space V is a non-empty subset H of V such that

- (1) the zero vector is in H.
- (2) for any two vectors  $v, u \in H, u + v \in H$ .
- (3) for any vector  $v \in V$  and scalar  $c, cv \in H$ .

• Every vector space V has two trivial subspace V and  $\{0\}$ .

**Example 8.4.** Let V be the set of all continuous functions on the interval [a, b]. By drawing the graph we showed in class what continuous function means. Then V is a subspace of K, the set of all functions.

- (1) It is clear that 0 is a continuous function.
- (2) If f and g are continuous functions, then f + g is a continuous function.
- (3) If c is a scalar, the cf is continuous for any continuous function f.

**Example 8.5.** Let W be the set of all differentiable functions on the interval [a, b]. By drawing the graph we showed what differentiable function means. With the same proof, W is a subspace of K, the set of all functions.

**Example 8.6.** Show that  $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Solution. We only need to show the three properties.

(1) The zero vector is in H, since when 
$$a = b = 0$$
, then  $\begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$  is in H.  
(2) Let  $u = \begin{bmatrix} a_1\\b_1\\0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} a_2\\b_2\\0 \end{bmatrix} \in H$ , then  $u + v = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + a_2\\b_1 + b_2\\0 \end{bmatrix}$  is in H.  
(3) Let c be a scalar and  $u = \begin{bmatrix} a_1\\b_1\\0 \end{bmatrix} \in H$ , then  $cu = \begin{bmatrix} ca_1\\cb_1\\0 \end{bmatrix}$  is in H.

**Lemma 8.7.** Let V be a vector space. Then for any  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  in V,  $Span\{v_1, v_2\} = \{c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 : c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is a subspace of V.

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• A geometrical view of the span of two vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is shown the following video. CLICK

Solution: Note that

$$span\{v_1, v_2\} = \{c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 : c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , we only need to check the three properties.

(1) Let  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $c_2 = 0$ . then  $0v_1 + 0v_2 = 0 \in span\{v_1, v_2\}$ 

(2) Let  $u, v \in span\{v_1, v_2\}$ . Then there are scalars,  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ ,  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  such that  $v = c_1v_1 + c_2v_2$  and  $u = d_1v_1 + d_2v_2$ . Therefore,

$$v + u = c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + d_1v_1 + d_2v_2 = (c_1 + d_1)v_1 + (c_2 + d_2)v_2$$

is in  $span\{v_1, v_2\}$ .

(3) Let c be an scalar, and  $v \in span\{v_1, v_2\}$ . Then there are  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $v = c_1v_1 + c_2v_2$ . so,

$$c(c_1v_1 + c_2v_2) = (cc_1)v_1 + (cc_2)v_2 \in span\{v_1, v_2\}.$$

Therefore  $span\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Theorem 8.8.** For any set of vectors  $v_1, \ldots, v_p$  in a vector space V,  $Span\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}$  is a subspace of V.

**Example 8.9.** Let  $H = \{(a, b - a, 3a - b) : a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . Show that H is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  (To solve this example see Example 11 page 196 of the textbook).

Example 8.10. Read Example 12 page 197 of the textbook.

**Theorem 8.11.** Any subspace of a vector space is a vector space.

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8.3. Week 8, Lecture 3, Oct.20, Linear Transformation, Linear dependent sets and bases.

A linear transformation T from a vector space V into a vector space W is a rule that assigns to each vector  $x \in V$  a unique vector T(x) in W, such that

- (1) T(u+v)=T(u)+T(v) for all  $u, v \in V$
- (2) T(cu) = cT(u) for all  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $u \in V$ .

Moreover, the **range** of T is denoted by  $range(T) = \{T(x) : x \in V\}$ , and **kernel** of T is denoted by  $ker(T) = \{x \in V : T(x) = 0\}$ .

**Example 8.12.** Let V be the vector space of continuous functions, and W be the set of all differentiable functions. Define

$$D: W \longrightarrow V$$
 by  $D(f) = f'$  the derivation of  $f$ .

Show that D is a linear transformation. Also find ker(T).

**Solution.** Let f and g be in W. Then

$$D(f+g) = (f+g)' = f' + g'$$
$$D(f) = f'$$
$$D(g) = g'$$

Therefore, D(f + g) = f' + g' = D(f) + D(g).

Also D(cf) = (cf)' = cf' = cD(f) for every  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Therefore D is a linear transformation.

Note that  $ker(T) = \{f \in W : T(f) = 0\} = \{f \in W : f' = 0\} = \{f \in W : f = c \text{ where c is a scalar}\}.$ 

**Definition.** • An index set of vectors  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}$  of a vector space V are linearly independent if the equation

$$c_1v_1 + \ldots + c_pv_p = 0$$

has only one trivial solution  $c_1 = \ldots = c_p = 0$ .

• If there are some weights  $c_1, \ldots, c_p$  not all zero such that

$$c_1 v_1 + \ldots + c_p v_p = 0 \qquad (1)$$

Then equation (1) is said to be a linear dependence relation among  $v_1, \ldots, v_p$ .

**Theorem 8.13.** An index set of vectors  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}$  of two or more vectors, with  $v_1 \neq 0$ , is linearly dependent if and only if some  $v_j$  (with j > 1) is a linear combination of the preceding vectors  $v_1, \ldots, v_{j-1}$ .

Example 8.14. (See also Example 1 and 2 page 211 of the textbook) Let

 $p_1(t) = 3t^2 + 1$   $p_2(t) = t^2$   $p_3(t) = 2.$ 

Then  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$  is linearly dependent because

$$p_3(t) = 2 = 2(3t^2 + 1) + (-6)t^2.$$

**Definition.** Let H be a subspace of a vector space V. Then an indexed set  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}$ is a basis for H, if

- (1)  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}$  is linearly independent. (2)  $H = span\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}.$
- See Examples 3, 4, 5 page 211 of the textbook.

**Definition.** Let  $f(t) = a_0 + a_1t + \ldots + a_nt^n = 0$  be a non-zero polynomial. A root for f is a number c such that  $f(c) = a_0 + a_1c + \ldots + a_nc^n = 0$ ; for example  $f(t) = t^2 - 1$ has roots 1 and -1.

**Theorem 8.15.** Every polynomial in  $\mathbb{P}_n$  has at most n roots.

**Example 8.16.**  $S = \{1, t, t^2, \dots, t^n\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{P}_n$ .

Solution. Any polynomial is of the form

$$f(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \ldots + a_m t^m$$

where  $m \leq n$  so  $f(t) \in span\{1, t, \ldots, t^n\}$ .

Now, we should show that  $\{1, t, \ldots, t^n\}$  are linearly independent. Let

$$c_0 + c_1 t + \ldots + c_n t^n = 0,$$

then it means the polynomial  $c_0 + c_1 t + \ldots + c_n t^n$  has infinitely many roots which is not possible because every polynomial of degree at most n has at most n roots. • See Example 7 pages 212 of the textbook.

**Theorem 8.17.** Let  $S = \{v_1, ..., v_p\}$  be a set in V, and Let  $H = span\{v_1, ..., v_p\}$ . (1) If  $v_i \in \{v_1, ..., v_p\}$  is a linear combination of  $\{v_1, ..., v_{i-1}, v_{i+1}, ..., v_p\}$  then  $H = span\{v_1, \dots, v_{i-1}, v_{i+1}, \dots, v_p\}$ 

(2) If  $H \neq 0$  some subset of S is a basis for H.

#### 9. Week 9, More on vector spaces

Goals of the week:

- Coordinate system
- Isomorphism
- Review of Rank
- Change of basis

#### 9.1. Week 9, Lecture 1, Oct.23, coordinate basis.

**Theorem 9.1.** Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a basis for a vector space V. Then for each x in V, there exists unique set of scalars  $\{c_1, \ldots, c_n\}$  such that

$$x = c_1 b_1 + \ldots + c_n b_n.$$

*Proof.* Since  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \ldots, b_n\}$  is a basis there are scalars  $c_1, \ldots, c_n$  such that  $x = c_1b_1 + \ldots + c_nb_n$ . Suppose also x has the representation

$$x = d_1 b_1 + \ldots + d_n b_n$$

Then

$$= x - x = (c_1 - d_1)b_1 + \ldots + (c_n - d_n)b_n.$$

Note that  $\{b_1, \ldots, b_n\}$  is linearly independent, so

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$$c_1 - d_1 = 0, \dots, c_n - d_n = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 = d_1, \dots, c_n = d_n.$$

**Definition.** Suppose  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \ldots, b_n\}$  is a basis for V and x is in V. Let

$$x = c_1 b_1 + \ldots + c_n b_n$$

The coordinate vector for x relative to the basis  $\mathcal{B}$  is

$$[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1\\ \vdots\\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  for any basis  $\mathcal{B}$  of V.

#### • Coordinates in $\mathbb{R}^n$

**Example 9.2.** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$  be a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  where  $b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . If  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find x. **Solution.**  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = 3\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 4\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . **Example 9.3.** Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , i.e.,  $\mathcal{B} = \{e_1, e_2\}$ , where  $e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

and  $e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  what is  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$ ?

Solution. Since  $\begin{bmatrix} 3\\1 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix} = 3e_1 + e_2$ , we have  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ . • If  $\mathcal{B}$  is the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = x$ . Example 9.4. Let  $b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 4\\5 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$ . find the coordinate vector  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$ . Solution. We have that  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1\\c_2 \end{bmatrix}$  where  $c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1\\1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4\\5 \end{bmatrix}$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 2c_1 - c_2\\c_1 + c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4\\5 \end{bmatrix}$ , we can write it as  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1\\1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1\\c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4\\5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Then you can solve this equation and find  $c_1 = 3$  and  $c_2 = 2$ .



# FIGURE 4 The $\mathcal{B}$ -coordinate vector of **x** is (3, 2).

In the above example the matrix

$$\left[\begin{array}{rr} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{array}\right]$$

has a especial name.

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**Definition.** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \ldots, b_n\}$  be a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The matrix

$$P_{\mathcal{B}} = [b_1| \dots |b_n]$$

is called the change-of-coordinates matrix from  $\mathcal{B}$  to the standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Also when  $x = c_1b_1 + \ldots + c_nb_n$ , we have

$$x = P_{\mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = P_{\mathcal{B}} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

## Remark.

- (1) The matrix  $P_{\mathcal{B}}$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix.
- (2) The columns of  $P_{\mathcal{B}}$  form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , so  $P_{\mathcal{B}}$  is invertible.
- (3) We can also write  $P_{\mathcal{B}}^{-1}x = [x]_{\mathcal{B}}$ .

#### • The coordinate mapping

**Theorem 9.5.** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \ldots, b_n\}$  be a basis for a vector space V. Then the coordinate mapping

$$\begin{array}{rcccc} T : & V & \to & \mathbb{R}^n \\ & x & \mapsto & [x]_n \end{array}$$

is a one-to-one linear transformation form V onto  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

*Proof.* Let  $u = c_1b_1 + \ldots + c_nb_n$  and  $w = d_1b_1 + \ldots + d_nb_n$ . Then  $u + w = (c_1 + d_1)b_1 + \ldots + (c_n + d_n)b_n$ .

It follows that

$$[u+w]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 + d_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_d + d_d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_d \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ \vdots \\ d_n \end{bmatrix} = [u]_{\mathcal{B}} + [w]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

Now let  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$ru = r(c_1b_1 + \ldots + c_nd_n) = (rc_1)b_1 + \ldots + (rc_n)d_n$$

Therefore,

$$[ru]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} rc_1 \\ \vdots \\ rc_n \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = r[u]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

**Theorem 9.6.** Let V and W be vector spaces, and  $T: V \to W$  be a linear transformation. Then

- (1) T is one-to-one if ker  $(T) = \{v \in V : T(v) = 0\} = \{0\}.$
- (2) T is onto if  $range(T) = \{T(v) : v \in V\} = W$ .

**Definition.** A linear transformation T from a vector space V to a vector space W is an **isomorphism** if T is one-to-one and onto. Moreover, we say V and W are **isomorphic**.

**Theorem 9.7.** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \ldots, b_n\}$  be a basis for a vector space V. Then the coordinate mapping  $T: V \to \mathbb{R}^n$ 

$$\begin{array}{cccc} : V & \to & \mathbb{R}^n \\ & x & \mapsto & [x]_{\mathcal{B}} \end{array}$$

is a one-to-one linear transformation form V onto  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Solution.** Previously we showed that T is a linear transformation. Now, we will show that it is one-to-one and onto.

**one-to-one:**  $ker(T) = \{x \in V : [x]_{\mathcal{B}} = 0\}$ . Note that if  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ \vdots\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $x = 0b_1 + \ldots + 0b_n = 0$ . Therefore, ker(T) = 0 and so T is one-to-one. **onto:** For any  $y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1\\ \vdots\\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , there is a vector  $x = y_1b_1 + \ldots + y_nb_n \in V$  such that  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = y$ . 9.2. Week 9, Lecture 2, Oct.25, Linearly independent sets, basis, and dimension.

**Definition.** Let  $f(t) = a_0 + a_1t + \ldots + a_nt^n = 0$  be a non-zero polynomial. A root for f is a number c such that  $f(c) = a_0 + a_1c + \ldots + a_nc^n = 0$ ; for example  $f(t) = t^2 - 1$  has roots 1 and -1.

**Theorem 9.8.** Every polynomial in  $\mathbb{P}_n$  has at most n roots.

**Example 9.9.**  $S = \{1, t, t^2, \dots, t^n\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{P}_n$ .

Solution. Any polynomial is of the form

$$f(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \ldots + a_m t^m$$

where  $m \leq n$  so  $f(t) \in span\{1, t, \dots, t^n\}$ .

Now, we should show that  $\{1, t, \ldots, t^n\}$  are linearly independent.

Let

$$c_0 + c_1 t + \ldots + c_n t^n = 0$$

then it means the polynomial  $c_0 + c_1 t + \ldots + c_n t^n$  has infinitely many roots which is not possible because every polynomial of degree at most n has at most n roots.

**Example 9.10.** Let  $B = \{1, t, t^2, t^3\}$  be the standard basis for  $\mathbb{P}_3$ . Show that  $\mathbb{P}_3$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

Solution. By the previous theorem we have

$$T: \mathbb{P}_3 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$$

$$p = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_3 t^3 \mapsto [p]_B = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a isomorphism.

Example 9.11. Let

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\0\\-3 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\4\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $B = \{v_1v_2\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis for  $H = span\{v_1, v_2\}$ . Determine if x is in H. Find  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$ .

Solution. If the following system is consistent

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1\\0\\-3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\4\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then  $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 4\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  is in  $span\{v_1, v_2\}$ . The augmented matrix is  $\left[\begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & -3 & -1 \end{array}\right]$  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ so the system is consistent and if you solve it, you have  $c_1 = 2$  and  $c_2 = 1$ . Therefore  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

# 9.3. Week, Lecture 3, Oct. 27, The dimension of a vector space.

**Theorem 9.12.** Let  $T: V \longrightarrow W$  be an isomorphism.

- (1)  $v_1, \ldots, v_n$  are linearly independent (dependent) in V if and only if  $T(v_1), \ldots, T(v_n)$  are linearly independent (dependent) in W.
- (2) A vector x is in span $\{v_1, \ldots, v_n\}$  if and only if T(x) is in span $\{T(v_1), \ldots, T(v_n)\}$ .
- **Example 9.13.** (1) Verify that the polynomials  $1 + 2t^2$ ,  $4 + t + 5t^2$ , and 3 + 2t are linearly independent.
  - (2) Is  $g(t) = t 3t^2$  in  $span\{1 + 2t^2, 4 + t + 5t^2, 3 + 2t\}$ ?

**Solution.** (1) Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{1, t, t^2, t^3\}$  be the standard basis for  $\mathbb{P}_3$ . We have by Theorem 9.7  $T : \mathbb{P}_3 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$  where

$$p \mapsto [p]_B$$

is an isomorphism. Therefore by theorem above  $1 + 2t^2$ ,  $4 + t + 5t^2$  and 3 + 2t are linearly independent if and only if

$$[1+2t^2]_{\mathcal{B}}, [4+t+5t^2]_{\mathcal{B}}, [3+2t]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

are linearly independent. We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1+2t^2 \end{bmatrix}_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\2\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4+t+5t^2 \end{bmatrix}_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 4\\1\\5\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3+2t \end{bmatrix}_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\2\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, we only need to show that

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\2\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4\\1\\5\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3\\2\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

are linearly independent. (Do it as an Exercise).

(2) By the above theorem we only need to show that

$$[g(t)]_{\mathcal{B}} \in span \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\2\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4\\1\\5\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3\\2\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\1\\-3\\0 \end{bmatrix} \in span \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\2\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4\\1\\5\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3\\2\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3\\2\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

i.e.,

**Theorem 9.14.** If a vector space V has a basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \ldots, b_n\}$  then any set containing more than n vectors must be linearly dependent.

**Theorem 9.15.** If V is a vector space and V has a basis of n vectors, then every basis of V must consist of exactly n vectors.

- **Definition.** (1) A vector space is said to be **finite-dimensional** if it is spanned by a finite set of vectors in V
  - (2) **Dimension** of V, dim V, is the number of vectors in a basis of V. Also dimension of zero space {0} is 0.
  - (3) If V is not spanned by a finite set, then V is said to be infinite-dimensional.

**Example 9.16.** Find dimension of the subspace

$$H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a - 3b + c \\ 2a + 2d \\ b - 3c - d \\ 2d - b \end{bmatrix} : a, b, c, d \text{ in } \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Solution. We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} a-3b+c\\2a+2d\\b-3c-d\\2d-b \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -3\\0\\1\\-1 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\-3\\0 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 0\\2\\-1\\2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now we have

$$H = span\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3\\0\\1\\-1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\-3\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0\\2\\-1\\2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Now, we want to find a basis for H, we had a process for finding the basis.(Do it as an exercise.)

**Theorem 9.17.** Let H be a subspace of a finite dimensional vector space V. Any linearly independent set in H can be expanded to a basis for H. Also

$$\dim H \leq \dim V$$

**Theorem 9.18.** (The Basis Theorem) Let V be a p-dimensional vector space  $p \ge 1$ .

- (1) Any linearly independent set of exactly p elements in V is automatically a basis for V.
- (2) Any set of exactly p elements that spans V is automatically a basis for V.

**Remember:** The dimension of Nul A is the number of free variables in the equation Ax = 0, and the dimension of *Col* A is the number of pivot columns in A, and the pivot columns of A gives a basis for column space of A.

#### INTRODUCTION TO LINEAR ALGEBRA

# 10. Week 10, change of basis, eigenvalue and eigenvector, characteristic equations

#### 10.1. Week 10, Lecture 1, change of basis. Goals:

- (1) Change of Basis
- (2) Eigenvalues and eigenvectors
- (3) Characteristic equations

# Example 10.1. Let

$$b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\0 \end{bmatrix}, b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\1 \end{bmatrix}, c_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix}, c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2\}$  are two basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\0 \end{bmatrix} + 2\begin{bmatrix} -1\\1 \end{bmatrix} = b_1 + 2b_2$$

Therefore,  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Also $x = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\2 \end{bmatrix} = 2\begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix} + 0\begin{bmatrix} 2\\1 \end{bmatrix} = 2c_1 + 0c_2$ 

so  $[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then there is a matrix  $\underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}$  such that  $[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = \underset{\mathcal{C}}{P}_{\mathcal{C}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = [[b_1]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad [b_2]_{\mathcal{C}}][x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$ 

$$[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = \Pr_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = [[b_1]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad [b_2]_{\mathcal{C}}]$$

Since

$$b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\0 \end{bmatrix} = (-1) \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)c_1 + c_2$$

we have

$$[b_1]_{\mathcal{C}} = \left[ \begin{array}{c} -1\\ 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Also

$$b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\1 \end{bmatrix} = 3/2 \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix} + (-1/2) \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1 \end{bmatrix} = 3/2c_1 - 1/2c_2$$

Therefore,

$$[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3/2\\ 1 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Theorem 10.2.** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \ldots, b_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, \ldots, c_n\}$  be bases of a vector space V. Then there is a unique matrix  $\underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}$  such that

$$[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = \underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

The columns of  $\underset{\mathcal{C}\leftarrow\mathcal{B}}{P}$  are the  $\mathcal{C}$ -coordinate vectors of the vectors in the basis  $\mathcal{B}$ . That is,

$$\underset{\mathcal{C}\leftarrow\mathcal{B}}{P} = [[b_1]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad [b_2]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad \dots \quad [b_n]_{\mathcal{C}}].$$

**Definition.** The matrix  $\underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}$  in the above theorem is called **change-of-coordinates** matrix from  $\mathcal{B}$  to  $\mathcal{C}$ .



FIGURE 2 Two coordinate systems for V.

Remark. We have

 $\mathbf{SO}$ 

$${\mathop{P}_{\mathcal{C}\leftarrow\mathcal{B}}}^{-1}[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = [x]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

 $[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = \Pr_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$ 

Therefore,

$$\underset{\mathcal{B}\leftarrow\mathcal{C}}{P}=(\underset{\mathcal{C}\leftarrow\mathcal{B}}{P})^{-1}$$

## • Change of Basis in $\mathbb{R}^n$

**Remark.** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \ldots, b_n\}$  a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $\mathcal{E} = \{e_1, \ldots, e_n\}$  be the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then  $P_{\mathcal{B}} = [b_1| \ldots |b_n]$  is the same as  $\sum_{i=n}^{P} P_{\mathcal{B}}$ .

• Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \ldots, b_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, \ldots, c_n\}$  be bases for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then by row operation we can reduce the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_1 & \dots & c_n | b_1 & \dots & b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\mathrm{to}$ 

$$[I|_{\mathcal{C}\leftarrow\mathcal{B}}^{P}].$$

**Example 10.3.** Let  $b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $c_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ , and consider the bases for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  given by  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2\}$ . Find the change-of-coordinate matrix from  $\mathcal{B}$  to  $\mathcal{C}$ .

**Solution.** We can reduce the matrix  $[c_1 \ c_2|b_1 \ b_2]$  to  $[I|_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}]$ , and so we can find  $\underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}$ . Therefore, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & -9 & -5 \\ -4 & -5 & | & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Replace } \mathbb{R}2 \text{ by } \mathbb{R}2 + 4\mathbb{R}1} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & -9 & -5 \\ 0 & 7 & | & -35 & -21 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Scaling } \mathbb{R}2 \text{ by } 1/7} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & -9 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & | & -5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Replace } \mathbb{R}1 \text{ by } \mathbb{R}1 - 3\mathbb{R}2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & 6 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & | & -5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$\underset{\mathcal{C}\leftarrow\mathcal{B}}{P} = \left[\begin{array}{cc} 6 & 4\\ -5 & -3 \end{array}\right]$$

**Example 10.4.** Let  $b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $c_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ , and consider the bases for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  given by  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2\}$ .

(1) Find the change-of-coordinates matrix from C to  $\mathcal{B}$ .

(2) Find the change-of-coordinates matrix from  $\mathcal{B}$  to  $\mathcal{C}$ .

# Solution.

(1) Note that we need to find  $\underset{\mathcal{B}\leftarrow\mathcal{C}}{P}$ , so compute

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 | c_1 & c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & | & -7 & -5 \\ -3 & 4 & | & 9 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$\underset{\mathcal{B}\leftarrow\mathcal{C}}{P} = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 5 & 3\\ 6 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

(2) We now want to compute  $\underset{C \leftarrow B}{P}$ . Note that

$$P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = (P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3/2 \\ -3 & 5/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Remark.** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$  and  $\{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$  be bases for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We denoted by  $P_{\mathcal{B}}$  the following matrix

$$P_{\mathcal{B}} = [b_1|b_2|\dots|b_n],$$

Also we had

$$P_{\mathcal{C}} = [c_1 | c_2 | \dots | c_n].$$

It was shown that

 $x = P_{\mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}} \qquad x = P_{\mathcal{C}}[x]_{\mathcal{C}}.$ 

So we have

$$P_{\mathcal{C}}[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = P_{\mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

Therefore,

 $[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = P_{\mathcal{C}}^{-1} P_{\mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$ 

We also have

$$[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = \underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P} [x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

So,

$$P_{\mathcal{C}}^{-1}P_{\mathcal{B}} = \underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}.$$

# • Change of basis for polynomials

**Example 10.5.** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{1+t, 1+t^2, 1+t+t^2\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{2-t, -t^2, 1+t^2\}$  be bases for  $\mathbb{P}_2$ . Find  $\underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}$ .

**Solution.** Let  $\mathcal{E} = \{1, t, t^2\}$  be the standard basis for  $\mathbb{P}_2$ . Then

$$\begin{array}{rcccc} T : & \mathbb{P}_2 & \to & \mathbb{R}^3 \\ & f & \mapsto & [f]_{\mathcal{E}} \end{array}$$

is an isomorphism. We have

$$[1+t]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix}, [1+t^2]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix}, [1+t+t^2]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix},$$

and also

$$[2-t]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\ -1\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, [-t^2]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 0\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, [1+t^2]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 0\\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now we have

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

and

$$\mathcal{C} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2\\ -1\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 0\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 0\\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

be bases for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . We are looking for the matrix  $\underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}$ .

# 10.2. Week 10, Lecture 2, Nov. 1, Eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

Example 10.6. Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $u = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  

$$Au = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Av = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
Provide here,  $Av = 2v$ 

Precisely we have Av = 2v.



FIGURE 1 Effects of multiplication by A.

**Definition.** An eigenvector of an  $n \times n$  matrix A is a nonzero vector x such that  $Ax = \lambda x$  for some scalar  $\lambda$ . A scalar  $\lambda$  is called an eigenvalue of A if there is a nonzero vector x such that  $Ax = \lambda x$ ; such x is called an eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda$ .

Example 10.7. Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $v = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $u = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .  
 $Av = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -12 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
so  $\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector and 3 is an eigenvalue.

$$Au = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} \neq \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

for some  $\lambda$ .

**Example 10.8.** Show that 7 is an eigenvalue of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution.** The number 7 is an eigenvalue. For some vector x we have

$$Ax = 7x$$

 $\mathbf{SO}$ 

$$Ax - 7x = 0$$

we can write the above equation as

$$(A - 7I)x = 0$$

so if (A - 7I)x = 0 has a nonzero solution say x', then

$$(A - 7I)x' = 0 \Rightarrow Ax' - 7x' = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow Ax' = 7x'$$

and so 7 is an eigenvalue. Therefore, we only need to solve

$$(A - 7I)x = 0, \quad i.e.,$$

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6\\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - 7\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) \begin{bmatrix} x_1\\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 6\\ 5 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1\\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

when we solve the equation we have at least a nonzero solution  $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Therefore 7 is an eigenvalue.

• How to find all eigenvalues of a matrix A.

 $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue for A if and only if

 $Ax = \lambda x$  at least for a nonzero vector x.

So we can say  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of a matrix A if and only if

 $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$  at least for some nonzero x.

Which means the equation  $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$  does not have only trivial solution if and only if

$$det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

 $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of A if and only if

$$det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

**Definition.** The equation  $det(A - \lambda I) = 0$  is called the characteristic equation.

**Definition.** Let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $n \times n$  matrix A. Then the eigenspace of A corresponding to  $\lambda$  is the solution set of

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0$$

**Remark.** Note that we already have the solution set of  $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$  is a subspace.

Example 10.9. *let*  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Find all eigenvalues of A.

(b) For each eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of A, find a basis for the eigenspace of A corresponding to  $\lambda$ .

**Solution.** (a) To find all eigenvalues of A we must find all  $\lambda$  such that

$$det(A - \lambda I) = 0.$$

Note that

$$det(A - \lambda I) = det\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}) = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow det\begin{pmatrix} 4 - \lambda & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 - \lambda & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 - \lambda \end{bmatrix}) = 0$$

you already know how to compute the determinant. We have

$$det\left(\begin{bmatrix}4-\lambda & -1 & 6\\2 & 1-\lambda & 6\\2 & -1 & 8-\lambda\end{bmatrix}\right) = -(\lambda-9)(\lambda-2)^2$$

so  $\lambda = 9$  and  $\lambda = 2$ , are the eigenvalues of A.

(b) We first find the basis for eigenspace of A corresponding to  $\lambda = 2$ , which is the same as the finding the basis of the solution set of (A - 2I)x = 0 which means we should find the basis for null space of A - 2I (you know how to do it). The null  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

space of 
$$A - 2I$$
 contains all vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$  such that  $(A - 2I) \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$ . i.e.,  
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$
The augmented matrix is  
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the reduced echelon form is

$$\left[\begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & -1/2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right]$$

So  $x_1$  is basic and  $x_2$  and  $x_3$  are free. We have  $x_1 - 1/2x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 1/2x_2 - 3x_3$$

Let  $x_2 = t$  and  $x_3 = s$ . Then

$$x_1 = 1/2t - 3s$$
.

So

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2t - 3s \\ t \\ s \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

so the eigenspace of A corresponding to 2 is

$$\left\{ t \begin{bmatrix} 1/2\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -3\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} : s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

and the basis for the eigenspace of A corresponding to 2 is

$$\left\{ \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1/2\\1\\0 \end{array} \right], \left[ \begin{array}{c} -3\\0\\1 \end{array} \right] \right\}.$$

Now you will find the eigenspace and the basis of it for  $\lambda = 9$  (Do it as an exercise).
# 10.3. Week 10, Lecture 3, Nov. 3, Characteristic polynomial and diagonalization.

**Theorem 10.10.** The eigenvalues of a triangular matrix are the entries on its main diagonal.

**Example 10.11.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix}$ . Then eigenvalues of A are a, d, and f.

Why? because

$$det(A - \lambda I) = det\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) = det\left(\begin{bmatrix} a - \lambda & b & c \\ 0 & d - \lambda & e \\ 0 & 0 & f - \lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) = (a - \lambda)(d - \lambda)(f - \lambda)$$

**Theorem 10.12.** If  $v_1, \ldots, v_r$  are eigenvectors that correspond to distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_r$  of an  $n \times n$  matrix A, then the set  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_r\}$  is linearly independent.

Example 10.13. let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then 2 and 9 are eigenvalues of A.

The eigenspace corresponding to 2 has a basis

$$\left\{ \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1/2\\1\\0 \end{array} \right], \left[ \begin{array}{c} -3\\0\\1 \end{array} \right] \right\}.$$

Also, the eigenspace corresponding to 9 has a basis

$$\left\{ \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1\\1\\1 \end{array} \right] \right\}.$$

Then

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/2\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad and \quad \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

are linearly independent.

• When 0 is an eigenvalue of an 
$$n \times n$$
 matrix As

If 0 is an eigenvalue, then there is a nonzero vector x such that Ax = 0x

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$$\Rightarrow Ax = 0$$

which means that Ax = 0 has a nonzero solution, which also means A is not invertible and det A = 0. **Theorem 10.14.** Let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Then A is invertible if and only if one of the following holds:

- (1) The number 0 is not eigenvalue of A.
- (2) The determinant of A is not zero.

### • Similarity:

**Definition.** Two  $n \times n$  matrices A and B are said to be similar if there exists an invertible matrix P such that  $A = PBP^{-1}$ .

**Definition.** The expression  $det(A - \lambda I) = 0$  is called the characteristic polynomial.

Let A and B are similar. Then there exists an invertible matrix P such that

$$A = PBP^{-1} \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad A - \lambda I = PBP^{-1} - \lambda I$$

Note that  $PP^{-1} = I$ , so

$$A - \lambda I = PBP^{-1} - \lambda PP^{-1} = P(B - \lambda I)P^{-1}$$

Now

$$det(A - \lambda I) = det(P(B - \lambda I)P^{-1})$$
  
=  $det(P)det(B - \lambda I)det(P^{-1})$   
=  $det(P)det(P^{-1})det(B - \lambda I)$   
=  $det(B - \lambda I)$ 

Therefore, A and B have the same characteristic polynomial and so they have the same eigenvalues.

**Proposition 10.15.** Similar matrices have the same characteristic polynomial and so they have the same eigenvalues.

## • Diagonalization

Example 10.16. If  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , Then  $D^{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2^{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 3^{2} \end{bmatrix}$   $D^{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 2^{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 3^{3} \end{bmatrix}$ and for k we have  $D^{k} = \begin{bmatrix} 2^{k} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$D^k = \begin{bmatrix} 2^k & 0\\ 0 & 3^k \end{bmatrix}$$

**Definition.** A matrix D is a diagonal matrix if it is of the form

 $\begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & d_n \end{bmatrix}.$ 

**Definition.** A matrix is called **diagonalizable** if A is similar to a diagonal matrix, *i.e.*, there is an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that

 $A = PDP^{-1}.$ 

**Theorem 10.17.** An  $n \times n$  matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if it has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

• How to diagonalize a matrix:

(1) First check that if the matrix has n linearly dependent eigenvectors, if so, the matrix is diagonalizable.

(2) Find a basis for the set of all eigenvectors, say  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_n\}$ .

(3) Let  $P = [v_1| \dots |v_n]$ , then  $D = P^{-1}AP$  is an diagonal matrix with eigenvalues on its diagonal.

**Example 10.18.** Find if  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalizable, if so find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that  $D = P^{-1}AP$ .

**Solution.** First we should find basis for eigenspaces. Note that  $det(A - \lambda I) = (1 - \lambda)(-3 - \lambda)$ . So, A has two eigenvalues 1 and -3. The eigenspace corresponding to 1 has the basis  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  and the eigenspace corresponding to -3 has the basis  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ . Then we have  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Check that  $D = P^{-1}AP$ .

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## 11. WEEK 11, DIAGONALIZATION, LINEAR TRANSFORMATION AND EIGENVALUES, AND COMPLEX EIGENVALUES

# 11.1. Week 11, Lecture 1, Nov. 6, Diagonalization.

Goals of the week:

- (1) Diagonalization
- (2) Eigenvectors and linear transformation
- (3) Complex Eigenvalues

Example 11.1. If 
$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
, Then  

$$D^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2^3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and for k we have

$$D^k = \begin{bmatrix} 2^k & 0\\ 0 & 3^k \end{bmatrix}$$

**Definition.** A matrix D is a diagonal matrix if it is of the form

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc} d_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & d_n \end{array}\right].$$

**Definition.** A matrix is called **diagonalizable** if A is similar to a diagonal matrix, i.e., there is an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that

$$A = PDP^{-1}.$$

**Example 11.2.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find a formula for  $A^k$ , given that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ . Where  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Solution. We can find the inverse of P which is

$$P^{-1} = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 2 & 1\\ -1 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

Then

$$A^{2} = (PDP^{-1})(PDP^{-1}) = PD(P^{-1}P)DP^{-1} =$$
$$PD^{2}P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5^{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 3^{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$
Again,

$$A^{3} = AA^{2} = (PDP^{-1})(PD^{2}P^{-1}) = PD(P^{-1}P)D^{2}P^{-1} = PD^{3}P^{-1}$$

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In general, for  $k \ge 1$ ,

$$A^{k} = PD^{k}P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5^{k} & 0 \\ 0 & 3^{k} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2.5^{k} - 3^{k} & 5^{k} - 3^{k} \\ 2.3^{k} - 2.5^{k} & 2.3^{k} - 5^{k} \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Theorem 11.3.** (The diagonal theorem) An  $n \times n$  matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if A has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

**Definition.** An eigenvector basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  corresponding to A is a basis  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_n\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $v_1, \ldots, v_n$  are eigenvectors of A.

• An  $n \times n$  matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if there are eigenvectors  $v_1, \ldots, v_n$  such that  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_n\}$  are a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , i.e.,  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_n\}$  is an eigenvector basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  corresponding to A.

### • How to diagonalize an $n \times n$ matrix A.

**Step 1.** First find the eigenvalues of A.

Step 2. Find a basis for each eigenspace. That is, if

$$det(A - \lambda I) = (x - \lambda_1)^{k_1} (x - \lambda_2)^{k_2} \dots (x - \lambda_p)^{k_p},$$

we should find the basis of eigenspace corresponding to each  $\lambda_i$ .

**Step 3.** If the number of all vectors in bases in Step 2 is n, then A is diagonalizable, otherwise it is not and we stop.

**Step 4.** Let  $v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_n$  be all vectors we find in Step 2, then

$$P = [v_1 | v_2 | \dots | v_n].$$

**Step 5.** Constructing *D* form eigenvalues. If the multiplicity of an eigenvalue  $\lambda_i$  is  $k_i$ , we repeat  $\lambda_i$ ,  $k_i$  times, on the diagonal of *D*.

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11.2. Week 11, Lecture 2, Nov. 8, Diagonalization, Eigenvectors and linear transformations.

Example 11.4. Diagonalize the following matrix, if possible.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ -3 & -5 & -3 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

That is, find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ .

Solution. Step 1. Find eigenvalues of A.

$$0 = det(A - \lambda I) = -\lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 + 4 = -(\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 2)^2.$$

Therefore,  $\lambda = 1$  and  $\lambda = -2$  are the eigenvalues.

**Step 2.** Find a basis for each eigenspace. The eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda = 1$  is the solution set of

$$(A-I)x = 0.$$

A basis for this space is

$$\left\{ \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1\\1\\1 \end{array} \right] \right\}.$$

The eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda = -2$  is the solution set of

$$(A - (-2)I)x = 0.$$

A basis for this space is

$$\left\{ \left[ \begin{array}{c} -1\\1\\0 \end{array} \right], \left[ \begin{array}{c} -1\\0\\1 \end{array} \right] \right\}.$$

Step 3. Since we find three vectors

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

So A is diagonalizable.

Step 4.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 5.

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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It is a good idea to check that P and D work, i.e.,

$$A = PDP^{-1} \quad \text{or} \quad AP = PD$$

If we compute we have

$$AP = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad PD = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Example 11.5. Diagonalize the following matrix, if possible.

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} 2 & 4 & 3 \\ -4 & -6 & -3 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

**Solution.** First we find the eigenvalues, which are the roots of characteristic polynomial  $det(A - \lambda I)$ .

$$0 = det(A - \lambda I) = -\lambda^{3} - 3\lambda^{2} + 4 = -(\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 2)^{2}$$

So  $\lambda = 1$  and  $\lambda = -2$  are eigenvalues.

A basis for eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda = 1$  is

$$\left( \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1\\ -1\\ 1 \end{array} \right] \right\}$$

and a basis for eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda = -2$  is

 $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1\\ 1\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$  Since we can not find 3 eigenvectors that are linearly independent, so A is not diagonalizable.

**Theorem 11.6.** An  $n \times n$  matrix with n distinct eigenvalues is diagonalizable.

**Theorem 11.7.** Let characteristic polynomial of A is

$$(x-\lambda_1)^{k_1}(x-\lambda_2)^{k_2}\dots(x-\lambda_p)^{k_p}$$

- (1) For each  $1 \leq i \leq p$  The dimension of eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_i$  is at most  $k_i$ .
- (2) The matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if the sum of the dimensions of the eigenspaces equals n, and this happens if and only if
  - (a) the characteristic polynomial factors completely into linear factors and

(b) the dimension of the eigenspace for each  $\lambda_i$  equals the multiplicity of  $\lambda_i$ .

(3) If A is diagonalizable and  $\mathcal{B}_i$  is a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to  $\lambda_i$  for each i, then the total collection of vectors in the sets  $\mathcal{B}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{B}_p$  forms an eigenvector basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

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(1) Let  $a, b_1, b_2, \ldots, b_n$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . Complete the following definitions:

(a) The set  $\{b_1, b_2, \ldots, b_n\}$  is said to be linearly independent if and only if  $c_1b_1 + c_2b_2 + \ldots + c_nb_n = 0$ , for scalars  $c_1, \ldots, c_n$ , we have that  $c_1 = c_2 = \ldots = c_n = 0$ . ...

$$a = c_1 b_1 + c_2 b_2 + \ldots + c_n b_n$$

for some scalars  $c_1, c_2, \cdots, c_n$ .

- (b) The set  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$  is a basis for the subspace H if it is linearly independent and every  $a \in H$  is a linear combination of elements in  $\mathcal{B}$ .
- (2) What does it mean  $T: V \to W$  is a linear transformation? It means T is a function such that for every  $x, y \in V$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , T(cx) = cT(x) and T(x+y) = T(x) + T(y).
- (3) Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$  be two bases for vector space V. Write a formula for  $\underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}$ .

We have  $\underset{\mathcal{C}\leftarrow\mathcal{B}}{P} = [[v_1]_{\mathcal{C}} \ [v_2]_{\mathcal{C}} \ \dots \ [v_n]_{\mathcal{C}}].$ 

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# 11.3. Week 11, Lecture 3, Nov. 10, Eigenvectors and linear transformations.

When A is diagonalizable there exist an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ . Our goal is to show that the following two linear transformations are essentially the same.

$\mathbb{R}^n$	$\rightarrow$	$\mathbb{R}^n$	$\mathbb{R}^n$	$\rightarrow$	$\mathbb{R}^n$
x	$\mapsto$	Ax	u	$\mapsto$	Du

**Remark.** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \ldots, b_n\}$  be a basis for a vector space V. Then the coordinate mapping

$$\begin{array}{rcccc} T : & V & \to & \mathbb{R}^n \\ & x & \mapsto & [x]_{\mathcal{B}} \end{array}$$

is a one-to-one linear transformation form V onto  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

• The matrix of a linear transformation: Let V be an *n*-dimensional vector space and W be an *m*-dimensional vector space.



Let  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  be bases for V and W, respectively. The connection between  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$ and  $[T(x)]_{\mathcal{C}}$  is easy to find. Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, \ldots, b_n\}$  be the basis of V. If  $x = r_1b_1 + r_2b_2 + \ldots + r_nb_n$ , then

$$x_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note that

$$T(x) = T(r_1b_1 + r_2b_2 + \ldots + r_nb_n) = r_1T(b_1) + r_2T(b_2) + \ldots + r_nT(b_n).$$

Since the coordinate mapping from W to  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is a linear transformation, we have

$$[T(x)]_{\mathcal{C}} = [r_1 T(b_1) + r_2 T(b_2) + \ldots + r_n T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}} =$$
$$r_1 [T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} + r_2 [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}} + \ldots + r_n [T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} [T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} & [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}} & \dots & [T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} [T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} & [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}} & \dots & [T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}} \end{bmatrix} [x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

 $\operatorname{So}$ 

$$[T(x)]_{\mathcal{C}} = M[x]_{\mathcal{B}},$$

where

$$M = [ [T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad \dots \quad [T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}} ].$$

So  

$$[T(x)]_{\mathcal{C}} = M[x]_{\mathcal{B}},$$
where  

$$M = [[T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}} \dots [T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}}].$$
The matrix  $M$  is called **matrix for**  $T$  **relative to the bases**  $\mathcal{B}$  **and**  
 $\mathcal{C}.$ 

$$T$$



**Example 11.8.** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$  be a basis for V and  $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2, c_3\}$  be a basis for W. Let  $T: V \to W$  be a linear transformation such that

$$T(b_1) = 3c_1 - 2c_2 + 5c_3 \qquad T(b_2) = 4c_1 + 7c_2 - c_3$$

Find matrix M for T relative to  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$ .

Solution. We have that

$$M = [[T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}}].$$

We have

$$[T(b_1)] = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\ -2\\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \qquad [T(b_2)] = \begin{bmatrix} 4\\ 7\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

 $\operatorname{So}$ 

$$M = \left[ \begin{array}{rrr} 3 & 4 \\ -2 & 7 \\ 5 & -1 \end{array} \right].$$

• Linear transformation from V into V

Now, we want to find the matrix M when V and W are the same, and the basis C is the same as  $\mathcal{B}$ . The matrix M in this case called **Matrix for** T **relative to**  $\mathcal{B}$ , or simply  $\mathcal{B}$ -matrix for T.

The  $\mathcal{B}$ -matrix for T satisfies

 $[T(x)]_{\mathcal{B}} = [T]_{\mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$  for all x in V.

**Example 11.9.** The linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{P}_2 \to \mathbb{P}_2$  defined by

$$T(a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2) = a_1 + 2a_2t$$

is a linear transformation.

- (1) Find the  $\mathcal{B}$ -matrix for T, when  $\mathcal{B}$  is the basis  $\{1, t, t^2\}$ .
- (2) Verify that  $[T(p)]_{\mathcal{B}} = [T]_{\mathcal{B}}[p]_{\mathcal{B}}$  for each  $p \in \mathbb{P}_2$ .

**Solution.** (1) We have that

$$[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = [[T(1)]_{\mathcal{B}} \ [T(t)]_{\mathcal{B}} \ [T(t^2)]_{\mathcal{B}}].$$

Note that

$$T(1) = 0$$
  $T(t) = 1$   $T(t^2) = 2t$ 

Therefore,

$$[T(1)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad [T(t)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad [T(t^2)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\2\\0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So

$$[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = \left[ \begin{array}{rrr} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

(2) Any polynomial  $p(t) \in \mathbb{P}_2$  is of the form  $p(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2$  for some scalars  $a_0, a_1$  and  $a_2$ . Thus,

$$[T(p)]_{\mathcal{B}} = [a_1 + 2a_2t]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1\\ 2a_2\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$[T(p)]_{\mathcal{B}} = [T]_{\mathcal{B}}[p]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ 2a_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

### • Linear transformation on $\mathbb{R}^n$

**Theorem 11.10.** Diagonal matrix representation Suppose that  $A = PDP^{-1}$  where P is an invertible matrix and D is a diagonal matrix. Assume that

$$P = [v_1 | v_2 | \dots | v_n].$$

Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, ..., v_n\}$ . Let

$$\begin{array}{rcccc} T: & \mathbb{R}^n & \to & \mathbb{R}^n \\ & x & \mapsto & Ax \end{array}$$

Then  $D = [T]_{\mathcal{B}}, i.e.,$ 

 $[T(x)]_{\mathcal{B}} = D[x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$ 

**Example 11.11.** Define  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  by T(x) = Ax, where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with the property that the  $\mathcal{B}$ -matrix for T is a diagonal matrix.

**Solution.** By the previous Theorem if we find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ , then the columns of P produce the basis  $\mathcal{B}$ . We can find  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ . So  $\mathcal{B} = \{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \}$ .

**Theorem 11.12.** Suppose that  $A = PCP^{-1}$  where P is an invertible matrix. Assume that

$$P = [v_1|v_2|\dots|v_n].$$

Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, ..., v_n\}$ . Let

$$\begin{array}{rcccc} T: & \mathbb{R}^n & \to & \mathbb{R}^n \\ & x & \mapsto & Ax \end{array}$$

Then  $C = [T]_{\mathcal{B}}$ , i.e.,

 $[T(x)]_{\mathcal{B}} = C[x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$ 



**FIGURE 5** Similarity of two matrix representations:  $A = PCP^{-1}$ .

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## 12.1. Week 12, Lecture 1, Nov. 13, Inner Product, length and orthogonality.

Goals:

- (1) Complex eigenvalues
- (2) Inner product and length
- (3) Orthogonal sets

**Definition.** A complex eigenvalue for a matrix A is a complex scalar  $\lambda$  such that there is a non-zero vector x in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  s.t  $Ax = \lambda x$ . Moreover, x is called a complex eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda$ .

**Remark.** The complex eigenvalues are the roots of  $det(A - \lambda I)$ . Also, the set of all eigenvectors corresponding to  $\lambda$  are the non-zero vectors  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$  such that

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0.$$

**Example 12.1.** If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , find eigenvalues.

Solution. To find the eigenvalues, we should find the roots of  $det(A - \lambda I)$ .

$$det(A - \lambda I) = det \begin{bmatrix} 0 - \lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 0 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 1$$

The roots of  $\lambda^2 + 1$  are *i* and -i. So eigenvalues are *i* and -i. And also we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = i \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = -i \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$$

So  $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\i \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\-i \end{bmatrix}$  are eigenvectors corresponding to -i and i respectively.

## • The inner product

Let  $u = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $u^T = [u_1 u_2 \dots u_n]$ . The inner product (or dot prod-

**uct**) of two vectors  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the number  $u^T v$ , and often it is written as u.v.

**Example 12.2.** Compute u.v and v.u for 
$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Solution.

$$u.v = u^{T}v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \times 3 + (-5) \times 2 + (-1) \times (-3) = -1$$
$$v.u = v^{T}u = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ -5 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \times 2 + 2 \times (-5) + (-3) \times (-1) = -1$$

**Theorem 12.3.** Let u, v and w be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and let c be a scalar. Then a. u.v = v.u

 $\begin{array}{l} b. \ (u+v).w = u.w + v.w \\ c. \ (cu).v = c(u.v) = u.(cv) \\ d. \ u.u \geq 0 \ and \ u.u = 0 \ if \ and \ only \ if \ u = 0. \end{array}$ 

Combining (b) and (c) we have

$$(c_1u_1 + \ldots + c_pu_p).w = c_1(u_1.w) + \ldots + c_p(u_p.w).$$

• The length of a vector:

**Definition.** The length (or norm) of  $v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$  is the nonnegative scalar ||v||

defined by

$$||v|| = \sqrt{v.v} = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \ldots + v_n^2}$$

and  $||v||^2 = v.v.$ 



Interpretation of  $\|v\|$  as length.

• For any scalar c, the length of cv is |c| times the length of v, that is

$$||cv|| = |c|||v||.$$

**Definition.** A vector v with ||v|| = 1 is called a unit vector.

**Normalizing a vector:** Let u be a vector, then (1/||u||)u is a unit vector. The process of dividing a vector to its length is called **normalizing**. Moreover, u and (1/||u||)u have the same direction.

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**Example 12.4.** Let v = (1, -2, 2, 4). Find a unit vector u in the same direction as v.

**Solution.** First compute the length of v:

$$||v|| = \sqrt{v.v} = \sqrt{1^2 + (-2)^2 + 2^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

Then we multiply v by 1/||v|| to obtain u.

$$u = 1/\|v\|v = 1/5v = 1/5 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -2\\ 2\\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/5\\ -2/5\\ 2/5\\ 4/5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

To check ||u|| = 1,

$$\|u\| = \sqrt{u.u} = \sqrt{(1/5)^2 + (-2/5)^2 + (2/5)^2 + (4/5)^2} = \sqrt{1/25 + 4/25 + 4/25 + 16/25} = \sqrt{25/25} = 1$$

**Example 12.5.** Let W be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  spanned by  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find a unit vector z that is a basis for W.

**Solution.** Note that  $W = \{c \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : c \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . We have that  $1/||x|| \in \mathbb{R}$  so (1/||x||)x is a vector in W, and spanning it. It is enough to compute 1/||x||x.

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{x \cdot x} = \sqrt{(3/2)^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{9/4 + 1} = \sqrt{13/4} = \sqrt{13}/2$$
  
so  $(1/\|x\|)x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}/2} \begin{bmatrix} 3/2\\1 \end{bmatrix} = 2/\sqrt{13} \begin{bmatrix} 3/2\\1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6/2\sqrt{13}\\2/\sqrt{13} \end{bmatrix}.$ 

12.2. Week 12, Lecture 2, Nov. 15, Distance in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and Orthogonality.

**Definition.** For u and v in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the **distance** between u and v, written as dist(u, v), is the length of vector u - v. That is dist(u, v) = ||u - v||.

**Example 12.6.** Compute the distance between the vectors u = (7, 1) and v = (3, 2).



**FIGURE 4** The distance between **u** and **v** is the length of  $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}$ .

Solution.

$$u - v = \begin{bmatrix} 7\\1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3\\2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$||u - v|| = \sqrt{4^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{17}$$

**Example 12.7.** If  $u = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$  and  $v = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$ , then

$$dist(u,v) = ||u-v|| = \sqrt{(u-v)(u-v)} = \sqrt{(u_1-v_1)^2 + (u_2-v_2)^2 + (u_3-v_3)^2}$$

**Definition.** Two vectors u and v in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are orthogonal to each other if u.v = 0.

Lemma 12.8. If vectors u and v are orthogonal, then

$$dist(u, v) = ||u - v|| = ||u - (-v)|| = ||u + v|| = dist(u, -v).$$

**Theorem 12.9.** (The pythagorean Theorem) Two vectors u and v are orthogonal if and only if

$$||u + v||^2 = ||u||^2 + ||v||^2$$

## **Orthogonal Complement**

**Definition.** • If a vector z is orthogonal to every vector in a subspace W of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then z is said to be **orthogonal to** W.

The set of all vectors z that are orthogonal to W is said orthogonal complement of W and is denoted by W<sup>⊥</sup> (W perp)



FIGURE 7 A plane and line through 0 as orthogonal complements.

**Theorem 12.10.** (1) A vector x is in  $W^{\perp}$  if and only if x is orthogonal to every vector in a set that spans W.

(2)  $W^{\perp}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Definition.** Let  $A = [A_1|A_2| \dots |A_n]$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Also A has m rows, denote them by  $A'_1, \dots, A'_m$ .

$$Col \ A = span\{A_1, \cdots, A_n\} \qquad Row \ A = span\{A'_1, \ldots, A'_m\}.$$

**Theorem 12.11.** Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix.

- (1)  $(Row A)^{\perp} = Nul A$ , that is the orthogonal complement of the row space of A is the null space of A.
- (2)  $(Col \ A)^{\perp} = Nul \ A^{T}$ , that is the orthogonal complement of the column space of A is the null space of  $A^{T}$ .
- Let u and v be in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  or  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , then

$$u.v = \|u\| \|v\| \cos\theta,$$

where  $\theta$  is the angle between the two line segments from the origin to the points identified with u and v.

(2) We also have

$$\|u - v\|^{2} = \|u\|^{2} + \|v\|^{2} - 2\|u\|\|v\|\cos\theta$$

FIGURE 9 The angle between two vectors.

**Example 12.12.** Find the angle between  $u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $v = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ Solution. We have

$$u.v = \|u\| \|v\| \cos\theta.$$

Note that  $||u|| = \sqrt{1+1^2} = \sqrt{2}$  and  $||v|| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 0^2} = 1$  and  $u.v = u^T.v = -1$ . So  $-1 = \sqrt{2}.cos\theta$ . Therefore,  $\theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}$ .

### • Orthogonal Sets:

**Definition.** A set of vectors  $\{u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_p\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be orthogonal set if each pair of distinct vectors from the set are orthogonal, that is,  $u_i \cdot u_j = 0$  if  $i \neq j$ .

**Example 12.13.** Show that  $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  is an orthogonal set where

$$u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix}, and u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/2\\-2\\7/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution.** We must show that  $u_1 \cdot u_2 = 0$ ,  $u_1 \cdot u_3 = 0$ , and  $u_2 \cdot u_3 = 0$ .

$$u_1 \cdot u_2 = 3(-1) + 1(2) + 1(1) = 0 \qquad u_1 \cdot u_3 = 3(-1/2) + 1(-2) + 1(7/2) = 0$$
$$u_2 \cdot u_3 = -1(-1/2) + 2(-2) + 1(7/2) = 0.$$

**Theorem 12.14.** If  $S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  is an orthogonal set of non-zero vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then S is linearly independent and hence is a basis for the subspace spanned by S.

**Definition.** An orthogonal basis for a subspace W of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a basis for W that is also orthogonal set.

**Theorem 12.15.** Let  $\{u_1, \ldots, u_p\}$  be an orthogonal basis for a subspace W of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . For each  $y \in W$ , the weights in the linear combination

$$y = c_1 u_1 + \dots + c_p u_p$$

are given by

$$c_j = \frac{y \cdot u_j}{u_j \cdot u_j} \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, p)$$

**Example 12.16.** The set  $S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ , where

$$u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix}, and u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/2\\-2\\7/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Express the vector  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix}$  as a linear combination

of the vectors in S.

**Solution.** If we write  $y = c_1u_1 + c_2u_2 + c_3u_3$ , then

$$c_1 = \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} = \frac{11}{11} = 1 \quad c_2 = \frac{y \cdot u_2}{u_2 \cdot u_2} = \frac{-12}{6} = -2$$
$$c_3 = \frac{y \cdot u_3}{u_3 \cdot u_3} = \frac{-33}{33/2} = -2$$

Therefore,  $y = 1u_1 - 2u_2 - 2u_3$ .

12.3. Week 12, Lecture 3, Nov. 17, Orthogonal projection and orthonormal sets. Assume that u is in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . then  $L = span\{u\} = \{cu : c \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is a line.



We want to write a vector y as a sum of a vector in  $L = span\{u\}$  and a vector orthogonal to u. Then  $y = \hat{y} + (y - \hat{y})$ , where

$$\hat{y} = \mathbf{proj}_L y = \frac{u.y}{u.u} u.$$

 $\hat{y} = \mathbf{proj}_L y$  is called orthogonal projection of y onto L. Also  $y - \hat{y}$  is called the complement of y orthogonal to u.

**Example 12.17.** Let  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $u = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the orthogonal projection of y onto u. Then write y as the sum of two orthogonal vectors, one in span{u} and one orthogonal to u.

Solution. Compute

$$y.u = \begin{bmatrix} 7\\6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4\\2 \end{bmatrix} = 40$$
$$u.u = \begin{bmatrix} 4\\2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4\\2 \end{bmatrix} = 20$$
$$\Rightarrow \hat{y} = \frac{y.u}{u.u}u = (40/20)u = 2\begin{bmatrix} 4\\2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8\\4 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the complement of y orthogonal to u.

$$y - \hat{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 7\\6 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 8\\4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

so  $y = \hat{y} + (y - \hat{y}) = \begin{bmatrix} 8\\4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1\\2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

• It is easy to visualize the case in which  $w = \mathbb{R}^2 = span\{u_1, u_2\}$  with  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  orthogonal. Any  $y \in \mathbb{R}^2$  can be written in the form

$$y = \frac{y.u_1}{u_1.u_1}u_1 + \frac{y.u_2}{u_2.u_2}u_2$$



the sum of two projections.

**Definition.** A set  $\{u_1, \ldots, u_p\}$  is an orthonormal set if it is an orthogonal of unit vectors.

**Example 12.18.** Show that  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Where

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{11} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{6} \\ 2/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}, and \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{66} \\ -4/\sqrt{66} \\ 7/\sqrt{66} \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution. Compute

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = -3/\sqrt{66} + 2/\sqrt{66} + 1/\sqrt{66} = 0$$
$$v_1 \cdot v_3 = -3/\sqrt{726} + -4/\sqrt{726} + 7/\sqrt{726} = 0$$
$$v_2 \cdot v_3 = 1/\sqrt{396} + -8/\sqrt{396} + 7/\sqrt{396} = 0$$

so  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is an orthogonal set.

Now we show that  $v_1, v_2, v_3$  are unit vector.

$$||u_1|| = \sqrt{v_1 \cdot v_1} = \sqrt{9/11 + 1/11 + 1/11} = 1$$
$$||u_2|| = \sqrt{v_2 \cdot v_2} = \sqrt{1/6 + 4/6 + 1/6} = 1$$
$$||u_3|| = \sqrt{v_3 \cdot v_3} = \sqrt{1/66 + 16/66 + 49/66} = 1$$

So  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Theorem 12.19.** An  $m \times n$  matrix U has orthonormal columns if and only if  $U^T U = I$ .

**Theorem 12.20.** Let U be an  $m \times n$  matrix with orthonormal columns and let x and y be in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then

- (1) ||Ux|| = ||x||.
- (2) (Ux).(Uy) = x.y.
- (3) (Ux).(Uy) = 0 if and only if x.y = 0

**Example 12.21.** Let  $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 2/3 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -2/3 \\ 0 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $x = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Notice that U has orthonormal columns and

$$U^{T}U = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0\\ 2/3 & -2/3 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 2/3\\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -2/3\\ 0 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

*verify that* ||Ux|| = ||x||.

$$Ux = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 2/3\\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -2/3\\ 0 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2}\\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\ -1\\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\|Ux\| = \sqrt{9+1+1} = \sqrt{111}$$
$$\|Ux\| = \sqrt{2+9} = \sqrt{11}$$

**Definition.** An orthonormal matrix is a square invertible matrix U such that  $U^{-1} = U^T$ .

Example 12.22. The matrix

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{11} & -1/\sqrt{6} & -1/\sqrt{66} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} & 2/\sqrt{6} & -4/\sqrt{66} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} & 1/\sqrt{6} & 7/\sqrt{66} \end{bmatrix}$$

is an orthonormal matrix.

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13. Week 13, Reading Week

#### INTRODUCTION TO LINEAR ALGEBRA

# 14. WEEK 14, ORTHOGONAL PROJECTION, THE GRAM-SCHMIDT PROCESS, AND LEAST-SQUARES PROBLEMS

# 14.1. Week 14, Lecture 1, Nov. 27, Orthogonal Projection.

Goals:

- (1) Orthogonal projection
- (2) The Gram-Schmidt process
- (3) Least-squares problems

**Example 14.1.** Let  $\{u_1, \ldots, u_5\}$  be an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^5$  and let

$$y = c_1 u_1 + \ldots + c_5 u_5.$$

Consider the subspace  $W = span\{u_1, u_2\}$ , and write y as the sum of a vector  $z_1$  in W and a vector  $z_2$  in  $W^{\perp}$ .

Solution. Write

$$y = \underbrace{c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2}_{z_1} + \underbrace{c_3 u_3 + c_4 u_4 + c_5 u_5}_{z_2}$$

where  $z_1 = c_1u_1 + c_2u_2$  is in  $span\{u_1, u_2\} = W$  and  $z_2 = c_3u_3 + c_4u_4 + c_5u_5$  is in  $span\{u_3, u_4, u_5\}$ .

To show that  $z_2$  is in  $W^{\perp}$  it is enough to show that  $z_2 \cdot u_i = 0$ , for i = 1 and i = 2.

$$z_2 \cdot u_1 = (c_3 u_3 + c_4 u_4 + c_5 u_5) \cdot u_1$$

$$= c_3 u_3 . u_1 + c_4 u_4 . u_1 + c_5 u_5 . u_1 = 0$$

because  $\{u_1, \ldots, u_5\}$  is an orthogonal set. Similarly  $z_2 \cdot u_2 = 0$ . Therefore  $z_2 \in W^{\perp}$ .

**Theorem 14.2.** (The Orthogonal Decomposition Theorem)

Let W be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then each y in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  can be written uniquely in the form

$$y = \widehat{y} + z \tag{1}$$

where  $\hat{y}$  is in W and z in  $W^{\perp}$ . In fact if  $\{u_1, \ldots, u_p\}$  is an orthogonal basis of W, then

$$\widehat{y} = \frac{y.u_1}{u_1.u_1}u_1 + \ldots + \frac{y.u_p}{u_p.u_p}u_p$$

and  $z = y - \hat{y}$ .

**Definition.** The vector  $\hat{y}$  in (1) is called the orthogonal projection of y onto W, and it sometimes denoted by  $\operatorname{proj}_W y$ .



**FIGURE 2** The orthogonal projection of y onto W.

**Example 14.3.** Let  $u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Observe that  $\{u_1, u_2\}$  is an orthogonal basis for  $W = span\{u_1, u_2\}$ . Write y as the sum of a vector in W and a vector orthogonal to W.

**Solution.** The orthogonal projection of y onto W is

$$\widehat{y} = \frac{y.u_1}{u_1.u_1}u_1 + \frac{y.u_2}{u_2.u_2}u_2$$

$$= 9/30 \begin{bmatrix} 2\\5\\-1 \end{bmatrix} + 3/6 \begin{bmatrix} -2\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2/5\\2\\1/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Also

$$y - \hat{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -2/5\\2\\1/5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7/5\\0\\14/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

By previous theorem  $y - \hat{y}$  is in  $W^{\perp}$ . And

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2/5\\2\\1/5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 7/5\\0\\14/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

• A Geometric Interpretation of the Orthogonal Projection



FIGURE 3 The orthogonal projection of y is the sum of its projections onto one-dimensional subspaces that are mutually orthogonal.

## • Properties of Orthogonal Projections

**Proposition 14.4.** If y is in  $W = span\{u_1, \ldots, u_p\}$ , then  $proj_W y = y$ .

**Theorem 14.5.** (The Best Approximation Theorem) Let W be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , let y be any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and let  $\hat{y}$  be the orthogonal projection of y onto W. Then  $\hat{y}$  is the closest point in W to y, in the sense that

$$\|y - \hat{y}\| \le \|y - v\|$$

for all v in W distinct from  $\hat{y}$ .

**Definition.** The vector  $\hat{y}$  is called the best approximation to y by elements of W.



of y onto W is the closest point in W to y.

**Example 14.6.** If 
$$u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $W = span\{u_1, u_2\}$ . Find the closest point in  $W$  to  $y$ .

Solution. By the theorem the point is

$$\widehat{y} = \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \frac{y \cdot u_2}{u_2 \cdot u_2} u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2/5 \\ 2 \\ 1/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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(we already computed  $\hat{y}$  in one of the examples.)

**Example 14.7.** The distance from a point  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  to a subspace W is defined as the distance from y to the nearest point in W. Find the distance from y to  $W = span\{u_1, u_2\}$ , where

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -5\\ 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 5\\ -2\\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 2\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution.** By the best approximation theorem, the distance from y to W is  $||y - \hat{y}||$ , where  $\hat{y} = \mathbf{proj}_W y$ . Since  $\{u_1, u_2\}$  is an orthogonal basis for W,

$$\hat{y} = \frac{15}{30u_1} + \frac{-21}{6u_2} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 5\\ -2\\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{7}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 2\\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -8\\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$y - \hat{y} = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -5\\ 10 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -8\\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 3\\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\|y - \hat{y}\| = \sqrt{3^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{45}.$$

Therefore, the distance from y to W is  $\sqrt{45} = 3\sqrt{5}$ .

**Theorem 14.8.** If  $\{u_1, \ldots, u_5\}$  is an orthogonal basis for a subspace W of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $\mathbf{proj}_W y = (y.u_1)u_1 + (y.u_2)u_2 + \ldots + (y.u_p)u_p$ 

if  $U = [u_1 u_2 \dots u_p]$ , then

$$\mathbf{proj}_W y = UU^T y$$
 for all  $y$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

### 14.2. Week 14, Lecture 2, Nov. 29, The Gram-Schmidt process.

**Example 14.9.** Let  $W = span\{x_1, x_2\}$ , where  $x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Construct an orthogonal basis  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  for W.



FIGURE 1 Construction of an orthogonal basis  $\{v_1, v_2\}$ .

**Solution.** Let  $v_1 = x_1$ . Let p be orthogonal projection of  $x_2$  onto  $x_1$ , i.e.,  $p = \frac{x_1 \cdot x_2}{x_1 \cdot x_1} x_1$ . We have that

$$v_2 = x_2 - \frac{x_1 \cdot x_2}{x_1 \cdot x_1} x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 2\\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{15}{45} \begin{bmatrix} 3\\ 6\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 0\\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is an orthogonal set of non-zero vectors in W. Since  $\dim W = 2$ , then set  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is a basis for W.

**Example 14.10.** Let 
$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ 

is clearly linearly independent and thus is a basis for W. Construct an orthogonal basis for W.

**Step1.** Let  $v_1 = x_1$  and  $W_1 = span\{x_1\} = span\{v_1\}$ . **Step2.**  $v_2 = x_2 - \mathbf{proj}_{w_1}x_2$ 

$$= x_2 - \frac{x_2 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} x_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} - 3/4 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3/4\\1/4\\1/4\\1/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Let  $W_2 = span\{v_1, v_2\}$ . Then  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is an orthogonal basis for  $W_2 = span\{v_1, v_2\} = span\{x_1, x_2\}$ .

**Step3.**  $v_3 = x_3 - \mathbf{proj}_{W_2} x_3$ 

$$\mathbf{proj}_{W_2} x_3 = \frac{x_3 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 + \frac{x_3 \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2$$
$$= 1/2 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} + 2/3 \begin{bmatrix} -3/4\\1/4\\1/4\\1/4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\2/3\\2/3\\2/3\\2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$Then \ v_3 = x_3 - \mathbf{proj}_{w_2} x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0\\2/3\\2/3\\2/3\\2/3\\2/3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\-2/3\\1/3\\1/3\\1/3 \end{bmatrix}.$$
$$So \ \{v_1, v_2, v_3\} \text{ is an orthogonal basis for } W.$$

**Theorem 14.11.** (The Gram-Schmidt process) Given a basis  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_p\}$  for nonzero subspace W of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , define

$$v_{1} = x_{1}$$

$$v_{2} = x_{2} - \frac{x_{2}.v_{1}}{v_{1}.v_{1}}v_{1}$$

$$v_{3} = x_{3} - \frac{x_{3}.v_{1}}{v_{1}.v_{1}}v_{1} - \frac{x_{3}.v_{2}}{v_{2}.v_{2}}v_{2}$$

$$\vdots$$

 $v_p = x_p - \frac{x_p \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 - \frac{x_p \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2 - \ldots - \frac{x_p \cdot v_{p-1}}{v_{p-1} \cdot v_{p-1}} v_{p-1}$ Then  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}$  is an orthogonal basis for W. In addition  $span\{v_1, \ldots, v_k\} = span\{x_1, \ldots, x_k\}$  for  $1 \le k \le p$ .

**Theorem 14.12.** (The QR factorization) If A is an  $m \times n$  matrix with linearly independent columns, then A can be factored as A = QR, where Q is an  $m \times n$ matrix whose columns from an orthogonal basis for Col A and R is an  $n \times n$  upper triangular invertible matrix with positive entries on its diagonal.

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### 14.3. Week 14, Lecture 3, Dec. 1, Least squares problems.

Sometimes Ax = b does not have a solution. However, we can find the vector  $\hat{x}$  such that  $A\hat{x}$  is the best approximation to b.

**Definition.** If A is  $m \times n$  and b is in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , a least-squares solution of Ax = b is an  $\hat{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that

$$\|b - A\widehat{x}\| \le \|b - Ax\|$$

for all x in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

• Goal: Finding the set of least-squares solution of Ax = b.

**Theorem 14.13.** (Best Approximation Theorem): Let W be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , let y be any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and let  $\hat{y}$  be the orthogonal projection of y onto W. Then  $\hat{y}$  is the closest point in W to y, in the sense that

$$\|y - \hat{y}\| \langle \|y - v\|$$

for all v in W distinct from  $\hat{y}$ .

## • Solution of the general least-squares problem:

We apply the theorem above to find the set of least-squares solution of Ax = b. Consider *Col A*. Let  $\hat{h} = \operatorname{proj} h$ 

$$\widehat{b} = \operatorname{proj}_{Col A} b$$

**FIGURE 1** The vector **b** is closer to  $A\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  than to  $A\mathbf{x}$  for other  $\mathbf{x}$ .

Since  $\hat{b} \in Col A$ , there is  $\hat{x}$  such that

$$A\widehat{x} = \widehat{b} \tag{1}$$

Note that  $\hat{b}$  is the closest point in *Col* A to b. Therefore, a vector  $\hat{x}$  is a least-squares solution if and only if  $\hat{x}$  satisfies  $A\hat{x} = \hat{b}$ . We have by the Orthogonal Decomposition Theorem that  $b - \hat{b}$  is orthogonal to *Col* A. So  $b - \hat{b}$  is orthogonal to each column  $A_j$  of A. Therefore,

$$0 = A_j \cdot (b - b) = A_j \cdot (b - A\hat{x})$$
$$= A_j^T (b - A\hat{x}) = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow A^T (b - A\hat{x}) = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow A^T b = A^T A\hat{x}.$$

So the set of least squares solutions of Ax = b is the same as all  $\hat{x}$  such that  $A^Tb = A^TA\hat{x}$ . So we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 14.14.** The set of least-squares solutions of Ax = b coincides with the nonempty set of solution of the normal equations  $A^T Ax = A^T b$ .

**Theorem 14.15.** Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix. The following statements are logically equivalent:

- (a) The equation Ax = b has a unique least squares solution for each b in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .
- (b) The columns of A are linearly independent.
- (c) The matrix  $A^T A$  is invertible.

When these statements are true, the least-squares solution  $\hat{x}$  is given by

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

**Example 14.16.** Find a least-squares solution of the inconsistent system Ax = b for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad and \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution. Example 1 page 364 of the textbook.

**Example 14.17.** Find a least-squares solution of Ax = b for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad and \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution. Example 2 page 364 of the textbook.

### 15. WEEK 15, INNER PRODUCT SPACE

## 15.1. Week 15, Lecture 1, Dec. 4, Inner product space.

Goals:

- (1) Inner product space
- (2) Second test preparation
- (3) Second test

**Definition.** An inner product on a vector space V is a function

$$\langle ., . \rangle : V \times V \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

satisfying the following axioms:

1.  $\langle u, v \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle$ 2.  $\langle u + v, w \rangle = \langle u, w \rangle + \langle v, w \rangle$ 3.  $\langle cu, v \rangle = c \langle u, v \rangle$ 4.  $\langle u, u \rangle \ge 0$  and  $\langle u, u \rangle = 0$  if and only if u = 0. A vector space with an inner product is called an inner product space.

**Example 15.1.** Show that  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with the following function

$$\left\langle \left[ \begin{array}{c} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{array} \right], \left[ \begin{array}{c} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{array} \right] \right\rangle = 4u_1v_1 + 5u_2v_2$$

is an inner product space.

**Solution.** We know that  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a vector space, so we only need to show that the function is an inner product, i.e., checking that the axioms satisfy.

$$(1) \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = 4u_1v_1 + 5u_2v_2 = 4v_1u_1 + 5v_2u_2 = \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle$$

$$(2) \text{ Let } w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ be another element in } \mathbb{R}^2. \text{ Then}$$

$$\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle =$$

$$4(u_1 + v_1)w_1 + 5(u_2 + v_2)w_2 = 4u_1w_1 + 4v_1w_1 + 5u_2w_2 + 5v_2w_2$$

$$= (4u_1w_1 + 5u_2w_2) + (4v_1w_1 + 5v_2w_2)$$

$$= \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle + \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle$$

$$(3) \left\langle c \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} cu_1 \\ cu_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle$$

$$= 4cu_1v_1 + 5cu_2v_2 = c(4u_1v_1 + 5u_2v_2) = c\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle.$$

$$(4) \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = 4u_1^2 + 5u_2^2 \ge 0$$

and also note that if  $\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} \rangle = 4u_1^2 + 5u_2^2 = 0$  then  $u_1 = 0$  and  $u_2 = 0$ . Therefore,  $\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Example 15.2.** Let  $t_0, \ldots, t_n$  be distinct real numbers. For p and q in  $P_n$ , define

$$\langle p,q \rangle = p(t_0)q(t_0) + p(t_1)q(t_1) + \ldots + p(t_n)q(t_n).$$

Solution. Axioms 1-3 are readily checked. For axiom 4,

$$\langle p, p \rangle = [p(t_0)]^2 + \ldots + [p(t_n)]^2 = 0.$$

So if  $[p(t_0)]^2 + \ldots + [p(t_n)]^2 = 0$  we must have  $p(t_0) = 0, \ldots, p(t_n) = 0$ . It means  $t_0, \ldots, t_n$  are roots for p. Therefore, p has n + 1 roots, which is impossible if  $p \neq 0$  since any non-zero polynomial of degree n has at most n roots.

### • Length, Distance, and Orthogonality

**Definition.** Let V be an inner product space and u and  $v \in V$ . Then we define (1) the length or norm of a vector to be the scalar

$$\|v\| = \sqrt{\langle v.v \rangle}$$

- (2) A unit vector is one whose length is 1.
- (3) The distance between u and v is  $||u v|| = \sqrt{\langle u v, u v \rangle}$ .
- (4) Two vectors u and v are said to be orthogonal if and only if  $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$ .

**Example 15.3.** Let  $\mathbb{P}_2$  have the inner product

$$\langle p,q \rangle = p(0)q(0) + p(1/2)q(1/2) + p(1)q(1).$$

Compute the length of the following vectors  $p(t) = 12t^2$  and q(t) = 2t - 1.

**Solution.** Note that  $||p|| = \sqrt{\langle p, p \rangle}$ . We have

$$\langle p, p \rangle = [p(0)]^2 + [p(1/2)]^2 + [p(1)]^2 = 0 + 3^2 + 12^2 = 153.$$

Therefore,  $||p|| = \sqrt{153}$ . Also,  $||q|| = \sqrt{2}$  (check it).

### • The Gram-Schmidt Process:

**Theorem 15.4.** (The Gram-Schmidt process) Given a basis  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_p\}$  for nonzero subspace W of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , define

$$v_1 = x_1$$

$$v_2 = x_2 - \frac{x_2 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1$$

$$v_3 = x_3 - \frac{x_3 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 - \frac{x_3 \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2$$
:

 $v_p = x_p - \frac{x_p \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 - \frac{x_p \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2 - \dots - \frac{x_p \cdot v_{p-1}}{v_{p-1} \cdot v_{p-1}} v_{p-1}$ Then  $\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$  is an orthogonal basis for W. In addition  $span\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} = span\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$  for  $1 \le k \le p$ .

**Theorem 15.5.** (The Gram-Schmidt process for an inner product space) Given a basis  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_p\}$  for non-zero subspace W of an inner product space V, define

$$\begin{split} v_1 &= x_1 \\ v_2 &= x_2 - \frac{\langle x_2, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1 \\ v_3 &= x_3 - \frac{\langle x_3, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1 - \frac{\langle x_3, v_2 \rangle}{\langle v_2, v_2 \rangle} v_2 \\ \vdots \end{split}$$

 $\begin{array}{l} v_p = x_p - \frac{\langle x_p, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1 - \frac{\langle x_p, v_2 \rangle}{\langle v_2, v_2 \rangle} v_2 - \ldots - \frac{\langle x_p, v_{p-1} \rangle}{\langle v_{p-1}, v_{p-1} \rangle} v_{p-1} \\ Then \{v_1, \ldots, v_p\} \text{ is an orthogonal basis for } W. \text{ In addition span}\{v_1, \ldots, v_k\} = span\{x_1, \ldots, x_k\} \text{ for } 1 \leq k \leq p. \end{array}$ 

**Example 15.6.** Define the following inner product for  $\mathbb{P}_4$ ,

$$\langle p,q\rangle = p(-2)q(-2) + p(-1)q(-1) + p(0)q(0) + p(1)q(1) + p(2)q(2).$$

Let  $\mathbb{P}_2$  be the subspace of  $\mathbb{P}_4$  with the basis  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$ , where  $p_1 = 1, p_2 = t, p_3 = t^2$ . Produce an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{P}_2$  by applying the Gram-Schmidt Process.

### Solution.

$$\begin{split} f_1 &= P - 1 = 1 \\ f_2 &= p_2 - \frac{\langle p_2, f_1 \rangle}{\langle f_1, f_1 \rangle} f_1 \\ f_3 &= p_3 - \frac{\langle p_3, f_1 \rangle}{\langle f_1, f_1 \rangle} f_1 - \frac{\langle p_3, f_2 \rangle}{\langle f_2, f_2 \rangle} f_2 \\ &\qquad \langle t, 1 \rangle = (-2) \times 1 + (-1) \times 1 + 0 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 + 2 \times 1 = 0. \\ &\qquad \langle f_1, f_1 \rangle = \langle 1, 1 \rangle = 1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 = 5 \end{split}$$
  
Therefore,  $f_2 = t - \frac{0}{5} = t.$   
 $\langle p_3, f_1 \rangle = \langle t^2, 1 \rangle = (-2)^2 \times 1 + (-1)^2 \times 1 + 0^2 \times 1 + 1^2 \times 1 + 2^2 \times 1 = 10. \\ &\qquad \langle p_3, f_2 \rangle = \langle t^2, t \rangle = (-2)^2 \times -2 + (-1)^2 \times (-1) + 0^2 \times 0 + 1^2 \times 1 + 2^2 \times 2 = 0. \\ &\qquad \langle f_2, f_2 \rangle = \langle t, t \rangle = (-2)^2 + (-1)^2 + 0^2 + 1^2 + 2^2 = 10. \end{split}$   
Therefore,  $f_3 = t^2 - \frac{10}{5}1 - \frac{0}{10}t = t^2 - 2.$  Therefore,  
 $\{1, t, t^2 - 2\}$ 

is an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{P}_2$  (check orthogonality).

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