

78 4.2 Basis and Dimension

We now combine the concepts of linear independence and spanning sets.

Defn: A set $B = \{u^1, u^2, u^3, \dots, u^k\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a basis for a subspace $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ if

(a) B spans S , i.e. $\text{Span } B = S$, and

(b) B is linearly independent.

ex (i) Give a basis for $\mathbb{R}^2$ $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$
(ii) Give a basis for $\mathbb{R}^4$ $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
(iii) Give a basis for $\mathbb{R}^n$

(79) Theorem: If $\mathcal{B} = \{u^1, u^2, \dots, u^k\}$ is a basis for the subspace S , then for every $s \in S$ there is a unique set of coefficients $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_k \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$s = \sigma_1 u^1 + \sigma_2 u^2 + \dots + \sigma_k u^k$$

Pf: Suppose $\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & \sigma_2 & \dots & \sigma_k \\ \hat{\sigma}_1 & \hat{\sigma}_2 & \dots & \hat{\sigma}_k \end{pmatrix} \subset \mathbb{R}^k$ and

$$s = \sigma_1 u^1 + \sigma_2 u^2 + \dots + \sigma_k u^k$$

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subtract 0 = $(\sigma_1 - \hat{\sigma}_1)u^1 + (\sigma_2 - \hat{\sigma}_2)u^2 + \dots + (\sigma_k - \hat{\sigma}_k)u^k$

But $u^1, u^2, \dots, u^k$ linearly independent

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_1 = \hat{\sigma}_1 \quad \sigma_2 = \hat{\sigma}_2 \quad \dots \quad \sigma_k = \hat{\sigma}_k$$

so $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_k$ are unique

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Let $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

Recall A is equivalent to B if for all $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\{x : Ax = b\} = \{x : Bx = b\}$$

$\Leftrightarrow$ A can be transformed into B by a sequence of elementary row operations (and vice-versa)

$\Leftrightarrow$ [the span of the rows of A]
 $=$
[the span of the rows of B]

$\Leftrightarrow$ $\exists$ an invertible matrix G s.t.
 $A = GB$

(81) Find a basis for the span of the vectors $u^1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $u^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 7 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $u^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} -1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ -6 & 7 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} -1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -5 & -13 & -4 \\ 0 & 5 & 13 & 4 \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 13 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

(82) Steps to finding a basis for $\text{Span}[u^1, u^2, u^3, \dots, u^k]$

Step 1: Form the matrix A whose rows are $u^1, u^2, \dots, u^k$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} (u^1)^T \\ (u^2)^T \\ \vdots \\ (u^k)^T \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 2: Reduce A to echelon form

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} (w^1)^T \\ (w^2)^T \\ \vdots \\ (w^k)^T \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 3: A basis for $\text{Span}[u^1, u^2, \dots, u^k]$ is given by
The non-zero rows of B .

$$\{w^i : w^i \neq 0, i=1, 2, \dots, k\}$$

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$$\begin{array}{cccc} -1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ -6 & 7 & 5 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & -5 & -13 & -4 \\ 0 & 5 & 13 & 4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 5 & 13 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

so a basis for $\text{Span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 7 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$

is $\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 13 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$

(83) Theorem: Suppose

$\bar{U} = [u^1 \ u^2 \ \dots \ u^m] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and $\bar{V} = [v^1 \ v^2 \ \dots \ v^m] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

are equivalent matrices. Then $\text{Nul}(\bar{U}) = \text{Nul}(\bar{V})$

and

(i) $\{u^1, u^2, \dots, u^m\}$ are linearly independent

$\Leftrightarrow$

$\{v^1, v^2, \dots, v^m\}$ are linearly independent

(ii) $\{u^1, u^2, \dots, u^m\}$ are linearly dependent

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(iii) Any dependence relationship between the columns of $\bar{U}$ is also a dependence relationship between the columns of $\bar{V}$!

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$$\bar{u} = [u^1 \ u^2 \ u^3]$$

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

$$\begin{array}{rrr} 1 & 6 & -4 \\ 0 & -5 & 5 \\ 0 & -13 & 13 \\ 0 & -4 & 4 \end{array}$$

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$$V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & -4 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= [v^1 \ v^2 \ v^3]$$

Observe

$$2v^1 - v^2 = v^3$$

Consequently,

$$2u^1 - u^2 = u^3 \quad \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$$

Why?

$$E\bar{u} = V \quad \text{and } E^{-1} \text{ exists} \\ (\text{LU Factorization})$$

$$\text{So if } 0 = Vx = Eux$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 0 = Eux$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 0 = \bar{u}x$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 7 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

form a basis for
 $\text{Span}\{u^1, u^2, u^3\}$