

Today: § 4.2: Null Space & Column Space
& § 4.3: Linearly Independence & Bases
Next: § 4.5-4.6: Dimension & Rank

Homework:

MATLAB Assignment #3: Due TONIGHT.

MyMathLab Homework #4: Due Monday (Feb 12)

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

$$\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{ref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Is $\underline{u} \in \text{Nul}(A)$?

Is $\underline{v} \in \text{Col}(A)$?

Question: Is the solution set $\{\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : A\underline{x} = \underline{b}\} = W$ a subspace, if $\underline{b} \neq \underline{0}$?

Answer:

Is $\underline{0} \in W$?

Is W closed under scalar multiplication?

Is W closed under addition?

§ 4.3

Remember linear dependence :

Vectors $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n$ in some vector space V
are linearly dependent if

\Leftrightarrow

The vectors are linearly independent if
they are not linearly dependent.

\Leftrightarrow

E.g. Polynomials $(x+1)^2, x^2, x+\frac{1}{2}$:

Definition: Let V be a vector space, and let $H \subseteq V$ be a subspace.

A collection $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_d\}$ of vectors in H is called a **basis** for H if:

Eg. The "standard basis vectors" $\underline{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\underline{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, ..., $\underline{e}_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ are a basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

E.g. Is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 ?

Theorem: Any basis of \mathbb{R}^n consists of exactly n column vectors. The set $\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$ is a basis iff the matrix $[\underline{v}_1 \ \underline{v}_2 \ \dots \ \underline{v}_n]$ is invertible.

Eg. Let $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ be the set of all vectors of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a+b \\ a-b \\ 2a \end{bmatrix}$.

Then $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for W .

What about $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$?

$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$?

Theorem: Let $\{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$ be vectors, and let $H = \text{span}\{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$.

If the vectors are linearly dependent, then there is at least one vector \underline{v}_k such that

$$H = \text{span}\{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_{k-1}, \underline{v}_{k+1}, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$$

I.e. H is spanned by the vectors without \underline{v}_k .

Corollary: If $H = \text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$, then some collection of these vectors is a basis for H .

$$\text{E.g. } H = \text{span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ -1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 6 & -1 & 1 & -7 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 5 & 8 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{rref}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The column space $\text{Col}(A)$ of a matrix A is (by definition) spanned by the columns of A .

But these may in general be linearly dependent. The non-pivotal columns are linear combinations of the pivotal columns; but the pivotal columns are linearly independent.

\Rightarrow Theorem: The pivotal columns of A form a basis for $\text{Col}(A)$.