

## 4.3

## LINEARLY INDEPENDENT SETS; BASES

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$V$  vector space

$\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\}$  subset of vectors of  $V$

Def'n  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p$  are linearly independent if the vector equation

$$c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_p \vec{v}_p = \vec{0} \quad \text{where } c_i \text{ are in } \mathbb{R}$$

has only one solution  $c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_p = 0$

Ex 1

$$V = \mathbb{R}^2$$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  are linearly independent.

$$\underline{c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 = \vec{0}}$$

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_1 + c_2 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} c_2 = 0 \\ c_1 + c_2 = 0 \\ c_1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Ex 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^2$$

 $v_1$ 

$$c_1 \vec{v}_1 = \vec{0}$$

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{c_1 = 0}$$

lin. indep.

Ex 3

$\vec{v}_1$  in  $V$  is lin. indep.

$$\Leftrightarrow \vec{v}_1 \neq \vec{0}.$$

Ex 4

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^3$$

lin. indep.

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 = 0 \\ c_2 = 0 \\ c_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow c_1 = 0 \quad c_2 = 0.$$

Ex5  $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are linearly dependent

$$\vec{v}_2 = 2\vec{v}_1$$

$$2 \cdot \vec{v}_1 + (-1) \vec{v}_2 = \vec{0}$$

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Ex6

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

l. ind. or l. dependent?

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

rank = 3

$$\det[\ ] \neq 0$$

⇒ unique sol'n  
 $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$

Ex7  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
linearly dependent

Same question

$$(1) \vec{v}_1 + (1) \vec{v}_2 + (-1) \vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$$

done

$$\text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2$$

Ex8  $V = \mathbb{P}$  polynomials

$$p_1(t) = 1$$

$$p_2(t) = t$$

$$p_3(t) = 2 - 10t$$

lin. ind. or lin. dep.?

$$p_3 = 2p_1 - 10p_2$$

Ex 10  $n$  vectors  $\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_n$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

are linearly independent  $\Leftrightarrow$  the matrix  
 $A = [\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \dots, \vec{a}_n]$

Indeed

$$c_1 \vec{a}_1 + \dots + c_p \vec{a}_p = \vec{0}$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_p \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(A) = n$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0.$$

is invertible

FACT:  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p$  are linearly dependent

(suppose  $v_i \neq 0$ )  $\Leftrightarrow$  some  $\vec{v}_j$  ( $j > 1$ )  
 is a linear combination of  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_{j-1}$ .

$$\vec{v}_j = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_{j-1} \vec{v}_{j-1}$$

$$c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_{j-1} \vec{v}_{j-1} - \vec{v}_j = \vec{0}$$

BASIS

Let  $H$  be a subspace of  $V$

A set of vectors  $B$  is a basis of  $H$  if

①  $B$  is linearly independent

② The subspace of  $V$  spanned by  $B$   
 is  $H$  :  $\text{span}(B) = H$ .

Ex 11

$$H = V = \mathbb{R}^3$$

(a)  $B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is this a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?

although they are linearly independent, they  
 don't span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ not in } \text{span } B$$

$c_1 = 1 \quad c_2 = 2 \quad c_3 = 3 \quad \swarrow$

(b)  $B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  basis.

independent  $\text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3$

Why is it that any other vector  $\vec{v}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a linear combination of  $B$ ?

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{v}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{b}$$

It is consistent since  $A$  inv.

### The spanning theorem

$$S = \{ \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p \} \text{ in } V$$

$$H = \text{span} \{ \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p \}$$

Then one can select a basis consisting of elements of  $S$ .

Ex:  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$$\text{Span}(S) = \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\text{basis} : \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{or } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Basis for  $\underline{\text{Col } A}$ ,  $\underline{\text{Row } A}$

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} B$$

A basis of  $\text{Col}(A)$  is given by the pivot columns of  $A$

Row A subspace generated by the rows of A

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Fact

A  $\sim$  B  
row equiv to B

then Row A = Row B

If B is a matrix in echelon form that is row equivalent to A then the nonzero rows of B form a basis of Row A = Row B

Ex

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 3 & -4 \\ 3 & 2 & 8 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 7 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & -4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

A basis of Row A = Row B is given by

$$\text{Ex: } \begin{bmatrix} \underline{1} & \underline{1} & \underline{1} \\ \underline{2} & \underline{2} & \underline{2} \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} \underline{1} & \underline{1} & \underline{1} \\ 0 & \underline{2} & \underline{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ basis}$$

A

B

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