

Lecture 15: § 3.3 More examples of subspaces of $\mathbb{R}^n$ § 3.4 Basis for Subspaces

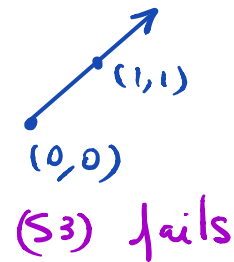
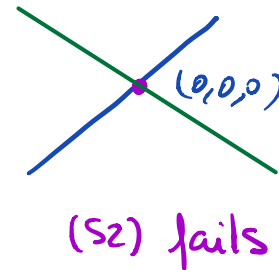
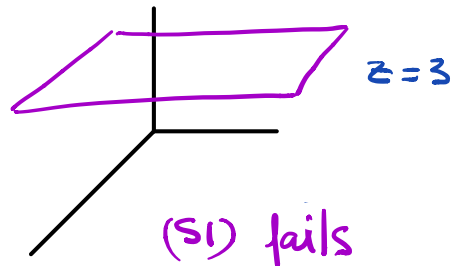
Recall: A subset $\mathcal{W}$ of $\mathbb{R}^n$ is a (vector) subspace if it satisfies:

(S1) $\vec{0}$ in $\mathcal{W}$

(S2) If $\vec{v}, \vec{w}$ in $\mathcal{W}$, then $\vec{v} + \vec{w}$ is also in $\mathcal{W}$

(S3) If $\vec{v}$ in $\mathcal{W}$ & α in $\mathbb{R}$, then $\alpha \vec{v}$ is also in $\mathcal{W}$.

• Non examples



• 2 Main examples

① $\mathcal{N}(A) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^n : A \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \vec{0} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^m \right\}$ Null Space of A
(A $m \times n$ fixed)
[Solutions to homogeneous systems]

② $\text{Sp}(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p) = \text{linear combinations of vectors } \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p$
 $= \{ \alpha_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_p \vec{v}_p : \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p \text{ in } \mathbb{R} \}$
($\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p$ fixed vectors)
[Spans of vectors]

The Range of an $m \times n$ matrix A

Column
Space

Def: The range of A is $R(A) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^m : \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ for some } \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^n \right\}$

Recall $A \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \text{col}_1(A) + \dots + x_n \text{col}_n(A).$

Theorem: $R(A) = \text{Sp}(n \text{ columns of } A)$ is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^m$

Example: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$
(3x4)

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

(3x4)

The Row Space of an $m \times n$ matrix A

Def: The Row Space of A is $\text{Rows}(A) = \text{Sp}(\text{m rows of } A) \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^n$.

Obs: $\text{Rows}(A) = \text{Sp}(\text{Columns of } A^t) = \mathcal{R}(A^t)$

Q: What happens under elementary row operations?

A: Same row space!

Advantage: We can use row operations to find a better set of generators for $\text{Row}(A)$ & in general, for $\text{Sp}(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m)$ in $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Example $\mathbb{W} = \text{Sp} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \right) \quad (4 \text{ generators})$

Theorem 2: If A & B are row equivalent, then $\text{Rows}(A) = \text{Rows}(B)$

Spanning Sets & Bases

Def Fix a subspace W of $\mathbb{R}^n$ & a subset $S = \{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$ of $\mathbb{R}^n$.

① We say S is a spanning set for W ($\mathbb{R} S$ spans W) if

② S is a minimal spanning set for W if:

Def: A basis for W is a finite minimal spanning set for W

Next Time: Basis $B =$ (1) B spans W
& (2) B is linearly independent

Examples

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \mathbb{W} = \mathbb{R}^3 = \text{Sp} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$