

$A$  is nonsingular  $n \times n$  means  
column vectors of  $A$  are  
a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Nonsingular  $\Leftrightarrow$  invertible, i.e.

There is a matrix  $A^{-1}$  s.t.

$$AA^{-1} = I_n$$

Fact:  $A^{-1}$  is <sup>also</sup> nonsingular &

$$A^{-1}A = I$$

$$\text{So } (A^{-1})^{-1} = A$$

Fact: If  $A, B$  are invertible

Then  $(AB)$  is invertible

$$\& (AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

Ex Inverse of diagonal matrix

Basis = linearly independent, spanning set.

= minimal spanning set

Ex standard basis  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$   
for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

• Any element of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  can be written uniquely as linearly combination of basis elements.

• Fact Any two bases for a subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  have same # of elements

This # is called the dimension of  $W$  =  $\dim W$

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Inverse of  $2 \times 2$  matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Calculate  $A^{-1}$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1 - R_2} \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

General Formula

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\Delta = ad - bc$  is

determinant.

Fact  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  is non singular

$$\Leftrightarrow \Delta \neq 0$$

Facts about

## Bases for $\mathbb{R}^n$

• Def'n A basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a linearly independent spanning set.

• Fact: The number of vectors in any basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is  $n$ .

Pf.

• Fact: If  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then any vector  $b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  can be written

uniquely as a linear combination of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ ,

i.e.  $b = x_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{v}_n$  and

the  $x_i$  are unique.

How to find the  $x_i$ ?

• Standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  where  $e_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Then  $\rightarrow$

$$b = b_1 \vec{e}_1 + \dots + b_n \vec{e}_n$$

• Fact. A basis is <sup>the same thing</sup> as a minimal spanning set.

Minimal means that if you discard one of the vectors you no longer have a spanning set

Pt of Fact

not minimal  $\Rightarrow$  lin dep

Suppose  $\{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$  not minimal

& we could throw away say  $v_m$

lin dep  $\implies$  not minimal

$$x_1 v_1 + \dots + x_m v_m = 0 \quad \text{Not all } x_i = 0$$

pf then one  $x_i$ , say  $x_m \neq 0$

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In other words, if  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  is a spanning set we can discard some of these vectors to get a spanning set

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Basis for a subspace

$W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (or for that

matter for any vector space  $W$ )

Same definition

Fact ANY 2 bases for  $W$

have the same number of

elements. This number is

called dimension of  $W$ ,  $\dim W$

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## Relationship with nonsingular matrices

Def  $A = n \times n$  matrix is nonsingular

iff its column vectors form a basis

Problem

Given a vector  $\vec{b}$  find the unique scalars  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  s.t.  $x_1 A_1 + \dots + x_n A_n = \vec{b}$

$$\therefore A \vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

Ans  $\vec{x} = A^{-1} \vec{b}$

Problem Find  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  s.t.

$$x_1 A_1 + \dots + x_n A_n = e_i$$

Ans  $\vec{x} = (A^{-1} e_i)$

$\therefore x = i^{\text{th}}$  column vector of  $A_i$

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Feb 9

FIRST EXAM - Monday Feb 12  
HW is also due that day

Comments about Exam

- 7 problems

Some topics

- From Ch 2: Dot products, length, orthogonal projection
- Definitions (from Ch 1 & 3)
  - linear combination of vectors
  - linear independence of set of vectors
  - Span of a set of vectors
  - Subspace
  - Basis for a subspace or vector space
  - Dimension of a subspace
  - Vector Space properties of  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- Matrices
  - Row echelon form & solving linear systems
  - Matrix multiplication



- Nonsingular  $n \times n$  matrices and invertible matrices
  - Calculating the inverse of a matrix
  - Determining when a set of column vectors is lin. independent
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Null space and Range of an  $(m \times n)$  matrix  $A$

$$x \longmapsto Ax$$

is a function from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$

In other words, to each column vector  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  we associate a vector  $Ax$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$

There are 2 subspaces associated to this situation

$$N(A) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax = 0\}$$

$$R(A) = \left\{ y \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid \begin{array}{l} Ax = y \text{ has} \\ \text{a solution} \end{array} \right\}$$

Image(A) = range of A

Claim  $\mathcal{N}(A)$  is subspace

$\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathcal{N}(A)$  then  $x+y \in \mathcal{N}(A)$

$$Ax = 0 \quad \& \quad Ay = 0$$

$$A(x+y) = Ax + Ay = 0 + 0$$

So  $x+y \in \mathcal{N}(A)$

$$A(cx) = cAx = 0$$

$$\mathcal{R}(A) = \text{Span} \{ A_1, \dots, A_n \}$$

= span of column vectors.

Prob what are dimensions  
of  $\mathcal{N}(A)$  &  $\mathcal{R}(A)$

Put  $A$  in reduced row echelon

$$\dim \mathcal{R}(A) = r. = \# \text{ of nonzero rows}$$

= # of leading 1's

= rank of  $A$

$$\dim \mathcal{N}(A) = n - r$$

= # columns -  $r$