

Lecture 22

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(22.0) Recall - last time we defined a vector space (over real numbers)

as: a vector space V is a set on which 2 operations are

given:

- addition For any \vec{u}, \vec{v} in V , we have a new element $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in V$.

- scalar multiplication For any $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\vec{v} \in V$, we have an element $c \cdot \vec{v} \in V$.

These operations must satisfy 8 properties listed last time:

Addition: (A1) Addition is commutative. Meaning

$$\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$$

(A2) Addition is associative. Meaning $\vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w}$

(A3) There exists a neutral element. Meaning - there is a vector

$\vec{0}$ in V for which $\vec{0} + \vec{v} = \vec{v}$ for any \vec{v} in V .

(A4) Additive inverses exist. For any \vec{v} in V , there is some

\vec{u} in V so that $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{0}$.

(Remark: We proved that neutral element is unique, so we can say " $\vec{0}$ is the neutral element of V " or just "the zero vector".

We also showed that additive inverse is unique - so now we can say " $-\vec{v}$ is the additive inverse of \vec{v} ".)

Scalar multiplication (M1) Associative - Meaning:

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$$a(b\vec{v}) = (ab)\vec{v}.$$

(M2) Multiplication distributes over addition Meaning:

(& M3) $(a+b)\vec{v} = a\vec{v} + b\vec{v}$

$$a(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = a\vec{u} + a\vec{v}$$

(M4) 1 ∈ ℝ is neutral for multiplication: 1. $\vec{v} = \vec{v}$ for every \vec{v} in V .

• Elements of V will be referred to as vectors, and elements of \mathbb{R} as scalars (as before).

(2.2.1) We also defined subspaces. Recall that a subset $W \subset V$ is a subspace if

(i) $\vec{0} \in W$ (Zero vector of V lies in W)

(ii) W is closed under addition:

$$\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in W \text{ implies } \vec{u} + \vec{v} \in W.$$

(iii) W is closed under scalar multiplication:

$$c \in \mathbb{R}, \vec{u} \in W \text{ implies } c \cdot \vec{u} \in W.$$

(Note: as before $W = \{\vec{0}\} \subset V$ are smallest subspaces.)
 $W = V \subset V$ are largest subspaces.)

(22.2) Some new examples, and notations. (from Lecture 21). (3)

- $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ = set of all $m \times n$ matrices.
- \mathbb{F} = set of all functions of one variable.
- P_n = set of all polynomials of degree at most n .
- $C([0, 1])$ = set of all continuous functions defined on the interval $\{0 \leq x \leq 1\}$.

These are all vector spaces. Note that $P_n \subset \mathbb{F}$ is a subspace. Also, $P_n \subset C([0, 1])$ is a subspace.

Example. Let $n \geq 2$ and $M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ be the vector space of all (square) $n \times n$ matrices.

$\{A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ such that } \boxed{A^T = A}\} \subset M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$
is a subspace.

such matrices
are called symmetric

Reason: $O_{n \times n}$ = $n \times n$ matrix with all entries = 0.

(i) $O_{n \times n}^T = O_{n \times n}$ ✓

(ii) $A^T = A$ and $B^T = B$ implies

$(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T = A+B$ ✓

(iii) $c \in \mathbb{R}$; $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ such that $A^T = A$ implies

$(cA)^T = cA^T = cA$ ✓

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In general the intuitive idea is that "subspaces are defined via linear homogeneous equations".

eg. $X = \left\{ A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ such that } \underbrace{ab=0}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{NOT linear!}}} \right\} \subset M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$

is not a subspace.

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ are in X but their sum $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is NOT.

• $Y = \left\{ p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 \text{ such that } p''(0) = \underbrace{5}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{not homogeneous}}} \right\} \subset \mathcal{P}_3$

is not a subspace

Zero polynomial $\notin Y$.

(22.3) Spanning sets. Let V be a vector space.

Let $S = \{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_p \} \subset V$ be a set of vectors.

$\text{Span}(S)$ is defined (as before) as the set of all possible linear combinations of $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_p$.

$\text{Span}(S) = \left\{ a_1\vec{v}_1 + a_2\vec{v}_2 + \dots + a_p\vec{v}_p \text{ where } a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p \in \mathbb{R} \text{ are } \right\}$
arbitrary
 $\subset V$.

Just as before, we have the result that Span(S)

is a subspace of V.

(Proof. - (i) $\vec{0} = 0 \cdot \vec{v}_1 + 0 \cdot \vec{v}_2 + \dots + 0 \cdot \vec{v}_p \in \text{Span}(S) \checkmark$

(ii) $\left. \begin{matrix} a_1 \vec{v}_1 + a_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + a_p \vec{v}_p \\ b_1 \vec{v}_1 + b_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + b_p \vec{v}_p \end{matrix} \right\}$ two elements of $\text{Span}(S)$

implies that their sum = $(a_1+b_1)\vec{v}_1 + (a_2+b_2)\vec{v}_2 + \dots + (a_p+b_p)\vec{v}_p$
is also in $\text{Span}(S) \checkmark$

(iii) $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and $a_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + a_p \vec{v}_p \in \text{Span}(S)$ implies

$$c(a_1 \vec{v}_1 + a_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + a_p \vec{v}_p) = (ca_1)\vec{v}_1 + (ca_2)\vec{v}_2 + \dots + (ca_p)\vec{v}_p \in \text{Span}(S) \checkmark$$

Definition. Let $W \subset V$ be a subspace, and

$S = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$ a finite set of vectors in W .

If $\boxed{\text{Span}(S) = W}$, we say S is a spanning set for W .

(22.4) Linear independence. Again let V be a vector space

and $S = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_p\} \subset V$ a set of vectors

from V .

We say that S is a linearly dependent set of vectors,
 or $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p$ are linearly dependent if there exist
 scalars a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p ; not all zero, such that

$$\boxed{a_1 \vec{v}_1 + a_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + a_p \vec{v}_p = \vec{0}}$$

As before, such an equation is referred to as a "dependence relation among $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p$ ".

A set of vectors is linearly independent if it is not linearly dependent. Meaning: $S = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_p\}$ is linearly independent if:

$$a_1 \vec{v}_1 + a_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + a_p \vec{v}_p = \vec{0} \text{ implies } a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_p = 0.$$

(2.5) A set of vectors $B = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_p\} \subset V$ is called a basis of V if

- B is a spanning set for V . That is, $\text{Span}(B) = V$.
- B is linearly independent.

Examples. - (1) P_n = set of all polynomials of degree at most n .

$B = \{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\} \subset P_n$ is a basis.

• $p(x) \in P_n$ means $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n \in \text{Span}(\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\})$.

• If $b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n \in \mathbb{R}$ are such that $b(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_nx^n = 0$

then $0 = b(0) = b_0$.

$0 = b'(0) = b_1$ implies $b_0 = b_1 = \dots = b_n = 0$

$0 = b''(0) = 2b_2$.

$0 = b'''(0) = 6 \cdot b_3$

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Hence $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$ is linearly independent.

(2) Show that $\{\sin(x), \cos(x)\}$ is a linearly independent set.

Sol.: If $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ are such that $a \sin(x) + b \cos(x) = 0$

then: setting $x = 0$ gives $a \underbrace{\sin(0)}_{=0} + b \underbrace{\cos(0)}_{=1} = 0$

i.e. $b = 0$.

Setting $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ gives $a \underbrace{\sin(\frac{\pi}{2})}_{=1} + b \underbrace{\cos(\frac{\pi}{2})}_{=0} = 0$ i.e. $a = 0$.

(3) Let $W =$ set of all 3×3 symmetric matrices $\subset M_{3 \times 3}(\mathbb{R})$ (8)

Find a basis of W .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \text{ is in } W \text{ means } A = A^T, \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & a_{31} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{32} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

That is, $a_{12} = a_{21}$; $a_{23} = a_{32}$ and $a_{13} = a_{31}$.

Typical element of W :

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = a_{11} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + a_{12} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(*) \quad + a_{13} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + a_{22} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$+ a_{23} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + a_{33} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{So, if } S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

then $\text{Span}(S) = W$. (*) also implies that S is

linearly independent (only numbers $a_{11}, a_{22}, a_{33}, a_{12}, a_{13}, a_{23}$ which make R.H.S. of (*) = $O_{3 \times 3}$; are all 0's).
(hence a basis of W).