

Recall:

Thm. 4.12 Let V be a vectorspace and $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ a basis for V . Then for each $v \in V$ there exist unique scalars $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$ such that:

$$v = \lambda_1 b_1 + \dots + \lambda_n b_n$$

Def. We call the vector $[v]_B := \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$

the coordinate vector of v in the basis B .

Ex. A $V = \mathbb{R}^2$, $B = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$. $w = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Q: $[w]_B = ?$

$$\text{Answer: } w = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow [w]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Q: Is there a method that helps us to quickly find the representation of a vector in a desired basis?

Q: If we already have the representation of a vector in some basis, can we just "translate" to a different basis?

→ We will start answering these questions for the case where $V = \mathbb{R}^n$.

Let us go back to Example A:

$w = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ expressed in the basis $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is $[w]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Because: $1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

This can be rewritten as: $\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{=M} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Let M be the matrix whose columns are the vectors in $\mathcal{B}$ (in order!) then: $M [w]_{\mathcal{B}} = w$

Since M is invertible, we can also write this as:

$$M^{-1} w = [w]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

Coordinates and coordinate change in $\mathbb{R}^n$

Def. Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ be an ordered basis of $\mathbb{R}^n$.

We call the matrix $P_{\mathcal{B}} := (b_1, \dots, b_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

the change of coordinate matrix from $\mathcal{B}$ to the standard basis.

Reason: If $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ then $x = P_B \cdot [x]_B$
 $= x_1 b_1 + \dots + x_n b_n$

So multiplying P_B to a vector written in basis B , yields the vector written in the standard basis.

Since B is a basis, its vectors are independent.

Thus, $\det P_B \neq 0$ and P_B is invertible.

$$\Rightarrow P_B^{-1} x = [x]_B \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Def. We call P_B^{-1} the change of coordinate matrix from the standard basis to B .

We can also switch between two bases B and $\tilde{B}$ of $\mathbb{R}^n$, neither of which is the standard basis:

For $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$:

$$\underbrace{(P_{\tilde{B}}^{-1} \cdot P_B)}_{=: P_{\tilde{B} \leftarrow B}} [x]_B = P_{\tilde{B}}^{-1} \underbrace{(P_B [x]_B)}_{=x} = P_{\tilde{B}}^{-1} x = [x]_{\tilde{B}}$$

Def. $P_{\tilde{B} \leftarrow B}$ is the change of coordinate matrix from B to $\tilde{B}$.

Ex. $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$, $\tilde{\mathcal{B}} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

are bases of $\mathbb{R}^3$. Let $w \in \mathbb{R}^3$ s. that $[w]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Find $[w]_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}$.

Solution: $P_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = P_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}^{-1} P_{\mathcal{B}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}}_{= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 3 & 9 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow [w]_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}} = P_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} [w]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The coordinate mapping

Thm. 4.13 Let V be a vector space and $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$

a basis for V . Define the mapping $T: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

by: $T(v) := [v]_{\mathcal{B}}$

This map T is linear, bijective and its inverse is linear as well.

Notice: In the case when $V = \mathbb{R}^n$, we already know

this to be true as then $T(v) = P_{\mathcal{B}}^{-1} \cdot v$.

In the case where $V \neq \mathbb{R}^n$ (but e.g. V is a polynomial space)

Thm. 4.12 allows us to from now on identify that space with $\mathbb{R}^n$.

e.g. $\mathbb{P}_2$ with basis $\mathcal{B} = \{1, x, x^2\}$. $\Rightarrow n=3$

and we identify $\mathbb{P}_2$ with $\mathbb{R}^3$ by:

$$T(a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2) = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

So we can think of polyn. as actual vectors!

This will have many useful applications!

So let us prove the Thm.

Proof 1.) Linearity We have to show:

$$[x + \lambda y]_{\mathcal{B}} = [x]_{\mathcal{B}} + \lambda [y]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad \forall x, y \in V, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

Let $x = \alpha_1 b_1 + \dots + \alpha_n b_n$ and $y = \beta_1 b_1 + \dots + \beta_n b_n$

$$\Rightarrow x + \lambda y = (\alpha_1 b_1 + \dots + \alpha_n b_n) + \lambda (\beta_1 b_1 + \dots + \beta_n b_n)$$

$$= (\alpha_1 + \lambda \beta_1) b_1 + \dots + (\alpha_n + \lambda \beta_n) b_n$$

$\uparrow$ calculus rules in V

$$\Rightarrow [x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix}, [y]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_n \end{pmatrix}, [x + \lambda y]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 + \lambda \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n + \lambda \beta_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence by $\mathbb{R}^n$ calculus: $[x + \lambda y]_{\mathcal{B}} = [x]_{\mathcal{B}} + \lambda [y]_{\mathcal{B}}$

2.) Injectivity We have to show: If $[v]_B = 0$ then $v = 0$

$$\text{If } [v]_B = 0 \Rightarrow v = \underbrace{0 \cdot b_1}_{=0_V} + \dots + \underbrace{0 \cdot b_n}_{=0_V} = 0_V. \quad \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{calculus in } V \end{array}$$

3.) Surjectivity We have to show: For every $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
we have to find $v \in V$ so that $[v]_B = x$.

$$\text{Let } x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n. \text{ Define } v = x_1 b_1 + \dots + x_n b_n \Rightarrow [v]_B = x.$$

4.) Linearity of T^{-1}

Claim: If a linear map $T: V \rightarrow W$ is invertible,
then $T^{-1}: W \rightarrow V$ is also linear.

Proof: Let $w_1, w_2 \in W, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\text{To show: } T^{-1}(w_1 + \lambda w_2) = T^{-1}(w_1) + \lambda T^{-1}(w_2).$$

$$\text{Define } v_1 := T^{-1}(w_1), \quad v_2 := T^{-1}(w_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow w_1 = T(v_1), \quad w_2 = T(v_2)$$

$$\text{Hence: } T^{-1}(w_1 + \lambda w_2) = T^{-1}(T(v_1) + \lambda T(v_2))$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & = T^{-1}(T(v_1 + \lambda v_2)) & = v_1 + \lambda v_2 \\ T \text{ linear} \uparrow & & \uparrow T^{-1}T = \text{id} \end{array}$$

$$= T^{-1}(w_1) + \lambda T^{-1}(w_2).$$

□

Thm. 4.14 Let V, W be vector spaces and $T: V \rightarrow W$

an invertible linear transformation. Then:

(i) If $v_1, \dots, v_n \in V$ are linearly indep.

$\Leftrightarrow T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)$ are linearly indep.

(ii) If $\text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_n\} = V \Rightarrow$

$\Leftrightarrow \text{Span}\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\} = W$

(iii) If $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is a basis of V

$\Leftrightarrow T(B) := \{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ is a basis of W

Proof (i) Assume that $v_1, \dots, v_n \in V$ are linearly indep.

Let $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$ and consider $\lambda_1 T(v_1) + \dots + \lambda_n T(v_n) = 0$

Since T is linear:

$$0 = \lambda_1 T(v_1) + \dots + \lambda_n T(v_n) = T(\lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_n v_n)$$

Since T is invertible:

$$0 = T^{-1}(0) = \lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_n v_n$$

Since $v_1, \dots, v_n \in V$ are linearly indep.

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_n = 0.$$

(ii) Assume that $\text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_n\} = V$.

Let $w \in W$. To show: $\exists \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\lambda_1 T(v_1) + \dots + \lambda_n T(v_n) = w$$

T invertible. So there exists $v := T^{-1}(w) \in V$

Since $\text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_n\} = V$.

$$\exists \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } \lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_n v_n = v$$

$$\begin{aligned} T \text{ linear, so: } w = T(v) &= T(\lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_n v_n) \\ &= \lambda_1 T(v_1) + \dots + \lambda_n T(v_n) \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Follows from (i) and (ii). □

Cor. 4.15 Let V be a vector space and $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ a

basis. Let $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\} \subset V$ be a set of vectors and let

$\tilde{S} = \{[v_1]_B, \dots, [v_n]_B\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be the coordinate vectors

of the elements of S for the basis B . Then:

(a) S is lin. indep. (in V) if and only if $\tilde{S}$ is lin. indep. (in $\mathbb{R}^n$)

(b.) $\text{Span}(S) = V$ if and only if $\text{Span}(\tilde{S}) = \mathbb{R}^n$.

(c.) S is a basis for V if and only if $\tilde{S}$ is a basis for $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Proof: Combine Thms 4.13 and 4.14. ($W = \mathbb{R}^n$, $T(v) := [v]_B$)

Thms 4.13 and 4.14 as well as Cor. 4.15 allow us to identify every vector space V that has a finite basis $\{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ with the vector space $\mathbb{R}^n$. The elements of b_i of the basis are identified with the elements e_i of the standard basis of $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Here are two useful applications of this conclusion:

Ex. Consider $V = \mathbb{P}_2$.

We know that $B = \{1, x, x^2\}$ is a basis of $\mathbb{P}_2$

So the transformation $T: \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, $T(p) := [p]_B$

identifies $\mathbb{P}_2$ with $\mathbb{R}^3$. (Thm. 4.15)

In particular 1 is identified with $e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, x with $e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$,

and x^2 with $e_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Now consider the set $S = \{\underline{1+2x^2}, \underline{4+x+5x^2}, \underline{3+2x}\} \subset \mathbb{P}_2$

Q: Is S a basis for $\mathbb{P}_2$?

From Cor. 4.15, we know:

S is a basis of $\mathbb{P}_2 \iff T(S)$ is a basis of $\mathbb{R}^3$

So let's compute $T(S)$:

$$T(\underline{1+2x^2}) = [1+2x^2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(\underline{4+x+5x^2}) = [4+x+5x^2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(\underline{3+2x}) = [3+2x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

So $T(S) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$. Is it a basis of $\mathbb{R}^3$?

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \dots \text{ compute } \dots = 0 \implies T(S) \text{ is not a basis of } \mathbb{R}^3$$

$\implies S$ is not a basis of $\mathbb{P}_2$.

Ex. Let $T: \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a linear transformation

$$\text{defined by } T(p) = \begin{pmatrix} p(0) \\ p'(1) \end{pmatrix}$$

Find a basis for $\text{Ker}(T)$ and $\text{Im}(T)$.

Identify $\mathbb{P}_2$ with $\mathbb{R}^3$: $a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}$ (as above)

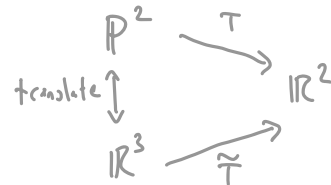
Let $\tilde{T}: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the map $T: P_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ after identification (or "translation") of P_2 into $\mathbb{R}^3$.

i.e. we want $\tilde{T}$ to be "the same as T " up to the translation $V \leftrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$.

i.e. for every $p = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$ we want

$$\underline{T(p) = T\left(\begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}\right)}$$

↑ the "translated p "



Find the matrix M of the linear map $\tilde{T}: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$.

↑ (Next week, we will learn how to do this more systematically for more difficult examples.)

$$\Rightarrow M \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 3} \text{ s.t. } \underline{M \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} = T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) \in \mathbb{R}^2}$$

$$T(\underbrace{a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2}_=p) = \begin{pmatrix} p(0) \\ p'(1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 + 2a_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ because } \underline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 + 2a_2 \end{pmatrix}}$$

Find basis of $\text{Ker}(M)$ and $\text{Ran}(M)$ as taught last week:

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{B}_{\text{Ker}(M)} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3, \quad \mathcal{B}_{\text{Ran}(M)} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{B}_{\text{Ker}(T)} = \{ 2x - x^2 \} \quad \mathcal{B}_{\text{Ran}(T)} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

↑ Cor 4.15

4.5 The dimension of a vector space

Cor. 4.15 has prepared us to finally define the dimension of a vector space.

Thm. 4.16 Let V be a vector space and $B, \tilde{B}$ two bases for V . Then B and $\tilde{B}$ have the same number of elements.

This means : $\text{If } \#B = n \Rightarrow \#\tilde{B} = n$
 $\text{If } \#B = \infty \Rightarrow \#\tilde{B} = \infty$

(In this course we do not distinguish different types of infinite.)

Proof First case : $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ We know $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ is a basis.

Assume $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_m\}$ is another basis. $\tau = \text{show} : n = m$.

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{If } m > n, \text{ then } B \text{ is dependent (by Thm 1.8)} \\ \text{If } n > m, \text{ then } \text{Span}(B) \neq \mathbb{R}^n \text{ (by Thm 1.14 + 1.15)} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow n = m.$
 $B \text{ is a basis}$

Second case : $V \neq \mathbb{R}^n$ but has a finite basis $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$.

Assume $\tilde{B} = \{\tilde{b}_1, \dots, \tilde{b}_m\}$ is another basis.

$\tau = \text{show} : n = m$.

Since B is a basis of V , the coordinate map

$$T: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, T(v) := [v]_B \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

is a linear bijection (by Thm. 4.13)

Now consider $T(\tilde{B})$:

$$\text{Write } \tilde{B} = \{\tilde{b}_1, \dots, \tilde{b}_m\}, \text{ then } T(\tilde{B}) = \{T(\tilde{b}_1), \dots, T(\tilde{b}_m)\}.$$

By Cor. 4.15, since $\tilde{B}$ is a basis of V , $T(\tilde{B})$ is a basis of $\mathbb{R}^n$.

So by First Case: $m = n$.

Last case: V has an infinite basis B .

Let $\tilde{B}$ be another basis.

To show: $\tilde{B}$ is also infinite.

Assume for a contradiction that $\tilde{B}$ is finite

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{B} = \{\tilde{b}_1, \dots, \tilde{b}_n\}$$

$\Rightarrow$ we can identify V with $\mathbb{R}^n$ using $T(v) := [v]_{\tilde{B}}$ (Thm 4.13)

$\Rightarrow B$ also consists of n elements

↑ as in second case

$\Rightarrow$ Contradiction.

□

Def. Let V be a vector space.

- If V has a finite basis B consisting of $n \in \mathbb{N}$ elements, then we call V a finite dimensional vector space and we call n the dimension of V : $\dim V = n$.
- If V has a basis B consisting of infinitely many elements, we call V an infinite dimensional vector space and we can write $\dim V = \infty$.
- If $V = \{0\}$ then $\dim V := 0$.
 $\nwarrow$ has no basis!

Ex. • $\dim(\mathbb{R}^n) = n$

• $\dim(\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}) = m \cdot n$

• $\dim(\mathbb{P}_n) = n+1$

• $\dim(\mathbb{P}) = \infty$

• $\dim \left(\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \right) = 2$

• $\dim \left(\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \right) = 1$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{= \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}}$

Subspaces of finite dimensional spaces

Thm 4.17 (The basis expansion theorem)

Let V be a vector space with $\dim V < \infty$ and $H \subseteq V$ a subspace. Then:

(1) $\dim H \leq \dim V$

(2) every linearly independent set $S \subseteq H$ can be expanded to a basis of H .

By (2) we mean: If $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_n\} \subseteq H$ indep. then either it is a basis or we can find $s_{n+1}, \dots, s_m \in H$ so that $B := \{s_1, \dots, s_n, s_{n+1}, \dots, s_m\}$ is a basis of H .

Ex. $\mathbb{P}_2 \subseteq \mathbb{P}_3$, $\dim(\mathbb{P}_3) = 4 < \infty$

$S = \{1+x, 3x\}$ is indep. but not a basis.

Can we add some other element(s) of $\mathbb{P}_2$ to turn S into a basis of $\mathbb{P}_2$?

→ we could add x^2 : $B = \{1+x, 3x, x^2\}$ is a basis of $\mathbb{P}_2$.

or x^2+1
or $x-5x^2$
or ...

This only works for subspaces H of a finite-dimensional V

Ex. $V = \mathbb{P}$ ($\dim V = \infty$)

$$H := \{p \in \mathbb{P} : a_i \in \mathbb{Z}\} \Rightarrow H \subset V \text{ subspace}$$

$$S = \{1, x, x^2\} \text{ independent but not a basis}$$

Q: Can we expand S to a basis of H by adding (finitely many) elements of H to S ? $\rightarrow$ No!

Proof of Thm 4.17 Let $\dim V = n$.

First case: $H = \{0_V\}$.

Then $\dim H = 0$ by def. and $0 < n$. So (1) is satisfied.

Moreover, H does not contain any indep. subset.

So there is nothing to check regarding (2).

Second case: $H \neq \{0_V\}$. Let $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_k\}$ be a lin. indep. subset.

• If $\text{Span}(S) = H$ then S is a basis of $H \rightarrow$ (2) $\checkmark$

$$\text{And } \dim H = \#S = k.$$

Moreover, since S indep. (in H and hence in V):

by Thms 1.8 + 4.14 it follows that $k \leq n \Rightarrow$ (1) $\checkmark$

• If $\text{Span}(S) \neq H$ we claim that:

$\exists v \in H$ such that $\{s_1, \dots, s_k, v\}$ indep.

and we will call this $v =: s_{k+1}$

If the claim is true, this means that we can just be adding new s_i to S until one of the two scenarios occurs:

- (A) The Span is equal to H
- (B) The set contains n elements.

If (B) occurs, then the expanded set S (let us call it $\tilde{S}$) contains n indep. elements.

Hence it is a basis of V . So $\text{Span } \tilde{S} = V$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Since } \tilde{S} \subseteq H \Rightarrow \text{Span } \tilde{S} \subseteq H \\ \text{And } H \subseteq V = \text{Span } \tilde{S} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow H = \text{Span } \tilde{S} \quad (2) \checkmark$$

$$\text{And } H = V \Rightarrow \dim H = \dim V. \quad (1) \checkmark$$

If (A) occurs, then $\text{Span}(\tilde{S}) = H \Rightarrow (2) \checkmark$

and by Thm. 4.15 $\# \tilde{S} \leq n$.

$$\text{So } \dim H = \# \tilde{S} \leq n = \dim V \Rightarrow (1) \checkmark$$

We are left to prove the claim:

Assume $\text{Span } S \neq H$. Also we know S indep.

Let $h \in H$ such that $h \notin \text{Span}(S)$ and understand independence / dependence of $\{s_1, \dots, s_k, v\}$:

What are solutions of the equation

$$(*) \quad \lambda_1 s_1 + \dots + \lambda_n s_n + \lambda_{k+1} v = 0 \quad ?$$

If $\lambda_{k+1} = 0$ the $(*)$ is:

$$\lambda_1 s_1 + \dots + \lambda_n s_n + 0 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$ by independence of $S \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_k = 0 = \lambda_{k+1}$

If $\lambda_{k+1} \neq 0$ the $(*)$ can be written as:

$$v = \frac{1}{\lambda_{k+1}} (\lambda_1 s_1 + \dots + \lambda_n s_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow v \in \text{Span } H \quad \text{b}$$

In conclusion: $\lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_{k+1} = 0$ is the only solution for $(*)$.

Hence $\{s_1, \dots, s_k, v\}$ is indep.

□

Thm 4.18 Let V be a vector space with $\dim V = n < \infty$

and $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\} \subseteq V$. Then the following are

equivalent: (1) B is a basis for V

(2) B is linearly indep.

(3) $\text{Span}(B) = V$.

Proof: Identify V with $\mathbb{R}^n$ (Thm. 4.13 and 4.14) and use

the fact that (1), (2), (3) are known to be

equivalent in $\mathbb{R}^n$ (e.g. by Thm. 2.7 "the alphabet thm").

Application: From now on, if you would like to check whether an n -element subset of an n -dimensional vector space is a basis, it suffices to check only (1) or (2), you no longer have to check both.

The dimension of $\text{Ker}(A)$ and $\text{Ran}(A)$

Recall from example 4 in week 7, how to find bases of $\text{Ker}(A)$, $\text{Row}(A)$ and $\text{Col}(A)$ of a matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ by using its reduced row echelon form $\tilde{A}$.

4.6. The rank of a matrix

Def. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and define the rank of A by:

$$\text{rank}(A) := \dim \text{Ran}(A)$$

Thm. 4.19 $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $\tilde{A}$ its ^{reduced row echelon form} RREF.

Let k be the number of pivots in $\tilde{A}$. Then:

(1) The non-zero rows $\tilde{a}_1, \dots, \tilde{a}_k$ of $\tilde{A}$ form a basis of $\text{Row}(A)$

(2) Let $\tilde{A}_{j_1}, \dots, \tilde{A}_{j_k}$ be the pivot columns of $\tilde{A}$.
Then $\{A_{j_1}, \dots, A_{j_k}\}$ is a basis of $\text{Ran}(A)$.

(3) $\dim \text{Ran}(A) = \dim \text{Row}(A) = k$

(4) $\dim \text{Ker}(A) = n - k$

Proof (1) Given a set of vectors $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$, by the def. of Span, the following do not change their Span:

- replacing v_j by $v_j + \lambda v_i$ for a $\lambda \neq 0$
- replacing v_j by λv_j for a $\lambda \neq 0$
- swapping v_j and v_i

Hence, doing row transformations to A does not change $\text{Row}(A)$. So in particular $\text{Row}(A) = \text{Row}(\tilde{A})$.

The set $\{\tilde{a}_1, \dots, \tilde{a}_k\}$ of non-zero rows of $\tilde{A}$, is obviously a basis of $\text{Row}(\tilde{A})$ and hence of $\text{Row}(A)$.

(2): Assume that $\tilde{A}_{j_1}, \dots, \tilde{A}_{j_k}$ are the pivot columns of $\tilde{A}$
 $\Rightarrow \{\tilde{A}_{j_1}, \dots, \tilde{A}_{j_k}\}$ is a basis of $\text{Col}(\tilde{A}) = \text{Col}(A)$.

Let $E_1, \dots, E_v$ be the elem. matrices for row-transformations

$$\text{such that } \underbrace{(E_1 \dots E_v)}_{=: E} A = \tilde{A}$$

$\Rightarrow E$ is an invertible matrix in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $A = E^{-1} \tilde{A}$

In particular $A_{j_1} = E^{-1} \tilde{A}_{j_1} \dots A_{j_k} = E^{-1} \tilde{A}_{j_k} \quad (*)$

Note: $(*)$ means that the bi-j. linear map T defined by E^{-1} maps the columns of $\tilde{A}$ to the columns of A .

Recall: $\bullet \text{Col}(\tilde{A}) = \text{Span}\{\tilde{A}_{j_1}, \dots, \tilde{A}_{j_k}\}$

$\bullet \{\tilde{A}_{j_1}, \dots, \tilde{A}_{j_k}\}$ is a basis of $\text{Col}(\tilde{A})$

J. by (*) and Thm. 4.14 :

$$\underbrace{\{T(\tilde{A}_{j_1}), \dots, T(\tilde{A}_{j_k})\}}_{= \{A_{j_1} \dots A_{j_k}\}} \text{ is a basis of } \underbrace{T(\text{Col}(\tilde{A}))}_{= \text{Col}(A)}.$$

(3) This follows from (1) and (2).

(4) Every column in $\tilde{A}$ that has no pivots, gives a free variable and hence a vector for the basis of $\text{Ker}(A)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \cdot \# \text{ pivots in } \tilde{A} = k \text{ by (1)} \\ \cdot \# \text{ columns in } \tilde{A} = n \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \# \text{ columns without} \\ \text{pivots} = n - k \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow \text{Ker}(A)$ has a basis consisting of $n - k$ vectors

$$\Rightarrow \dim \text{Ker}(A) = n - k$$

□

Cor. 4.20 Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, then

$$\bullet \text{rank}(A) = \dim \text{Ran}(A) = \dim \text{Col}(A) = \dim \text{Row}(A)$$

$$\bullet \text{rank}(A) = \# \text{ indep. rows of } A = \# \text{ indep. columns of } A$$

• The Rank Theorem :

$$n = \text{rank}(A) + \dim \text{Ker}(A)$$

$\nwarrow$ dim of domain

Ex. • $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 9 & 11 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 & 10 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$ Q: $\text{rank}(A) = ?$

Answer: $\text{rank}(A) = 2$

Reason 1: The two rows of A are independent vectors in $\mathbb{R}^6$.

Reason 2: The first two columns of A are independent vectors in $\mathbb{R}^2$. So by Thm. 2.7, they build a basis of $\mathbb{R}^2$ and hence also of the column space.

• If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 4}$ and $\text{Ker}(A) = \text{Span}\{e_1, e_2\}$

Q: What is the rank of A ?

Answer: $\text{rank}(A) = n - \dim \text{Ker}(A) = 4 - 2 = 2$

• Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 6}$. Q: What is the smallest possible value for $\dim \text{Ker}(A)$?

Answer: $\dim \text{Ker}(A) = n - \underbrace{\text{rank}(A)}_{\leq 2} \geq 6 - 2 = 4$

$\Rightarrow 4$ is the smallest possible value for $\dim \text{Ker}(A)$

Cor 4.21 $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is invertible if and only if

(o) $\det A \neq 0$

(p) $\dim \text{Ker} A = 0$

(q) $\text{Rank } A = n$

(Continuation of Thm 2.7)

4.7. Change of basis

Recall: For a vector space V with a basis $\beta = [b_1, \dots, b_n]$:

the entries of the coordinate vector $[x]_\beta$ in the basis β of an element $x \in V$ are the unique scalars $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ satisfying: $\lambda_1 b_1 + \dots + \lambda_n b_n = x$

(Notation: we sometimes also write $\lambda_1 = ([x]_\beta)_1, \dots, \lambda_n = ([x]_\beta)_n$)

Now let $C = \{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$ be another basis of V .

Q: How do we compute $[x]_C$ from $[x]_\beta$? (In particular if $V \neq \mathbb{R}^n$)

In other words: How do we express a vector that is displayed in terms of a basis β in terms of another basis C ?

Recall: We already know a method in case $V = \mathbb{R}^n$
(see beginning of Week 8)

Now let us work on the case where V and W are not necessarily equal to $\mathbb{R}^n$...

(It will be the same as first identifying V with $\mathbb{R}^n$ then applying the method of the $\mathbb{R}^n$ case.)

Let V be a vector space and let B and C be two bases.

Let $x \in V$ and assume we know $[x]_B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$.

We want to find $[x]_C = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_n \end{pmatrix}$.

By def. of $[x]_B$ and $[x]_C$, we have

$$\lambda_1 b_1 + \dots + \lambda_n b_n = x = \mu_1 c_1 + \dots + \mu_n c_n$$

Apply the coordinate map $\Psi(x) = [x]_C$ to both sides of the above equation. (In other words: write both sides of the equation in terms of the basis C .) :

$$[\lambda_1 b_1 + \dots + \lambda_n b_n]_C = [\mu_1 c_1 + \dots + \mu_n c_n]_C$$

By linearity of Ψ (Thm. 4.13)

$$\underbrace{\lambda_1 [b_1]_C + \dots + \lambda_n [b_n]_C}_{= ([b_1]_C, \dots, [b_n]_C) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}} = \underbrace{\mu_1 \overbrace{[c_1]_C}^{= e_1} + \dots + \mu_n \overbrace{[c_n]_C}^{= e_n}}_{= \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_n \end{pmatrix}}$$

Def. Define the change-of-basis-matrix from B to C by

$$P_{C \leftarrow B} := ([b_1]_C, \dots, [b_n]_C) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

Then, by the above computation we have: $P_{C \leftarrow B} [x]_B = [x]_C \quad \forall x \in V$

Moreover $P_{C \leftarrow B}$ is invertible and hence $P_{C \leftarrow B}^{-1} = P_{B \leftarrow C}$

Proof of invertibility: $\{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ is a basis of V

$\Rightarrow \{[b_1]_C, \dots, [b_n]_C\}$ is a basis of $\mathbb{R}^n$

Cor 4.15
 $\Rightarrow \det([b_1]_C, \dots, [b_n]_C) \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow P_{C \leftarrow B}$ is invertible.

We have just proven the following Thm:

Thm 4.22

Let V be a vector space and let B and C be two bases: $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ and $C = \{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$.

Then the matrix $P_{C \leftarrow B} := ([b_1]_C, \dots, [b_n]_C) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

is invertible and $P_{C \leftarrow B} [x]_B = [x]_C$ for all $x \in V$.

Rmk If $V = \mathbb{R}^n$, then our old definition of $P_{C \leftarrow B}$

(which is $P_{C \leftarrow B} := P_C^{-1} P_B$) coincides with the

new definition (which is $P_{C \leftarrow B} := ([b_1]_C, \dots, [b_n]_C)$).

Ex. $V = P_2$, $B = \{\overbrace{1}^{=b_1}, \overbrace{1-x}^{=b_2}, \overbrace{1+x+x^2}^{=b_3}\}$, $C = \{1, 2x+x^2, 1-x-x^2\}$

In order to find $P_{C \leftarrow B}$ we have to find $[b_1]_C, [b_2]_C, [b_3]_C$.

Finding $[b_1]_C$: $b_1 = 1$. We have to find $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$ s.t.

$$1 = \lambda_1 \cdot 1 + \lambda_2 (2x+x^2) + \lambda_3 (1-x-x^2)$$

Here the solution is obvious: $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 0$

$\Rightarrow$ The first column of $P_{C \leftarrow B}$ is $[b_1]_C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Finding $[b_2]_C$: $b_2 = 1-x$. We have to find $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$ s.t.

$$1-x = \lambda_1 \cdot 1 + \lambda_2 (2x+x^2) + \lambda_3 (1-x-x^2)$$

Here it's not as trivial to spot the solution.

We can rewrite the above equation as:

$$1-x = (\lambda_1 + \lambda_3) \cdot 1 + (2\lambda_2 - \lambda_3)x + (\lambda_2 - \lambda_3)x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 1 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_3 \\ -1 = 2\lambda_2 - \lambda_3 \\ 0 = \lambda_2 - \lambda_3 \end{cases} \quad \text{system of linear equations}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{augmented matrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dots \text{ solve system as usual } \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = -1, \lambda_3 = -1$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{You may want to double check your solutions for } \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \\ \text{by plugging it into the original equation} \\ 1-x = \lambda_1 \cdot 1 + \lambda_2 (2x+x^2) + \lambda_3 (1-x-x^2) \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{The second column of } P_{C \leftarrow B} \text{ is } [b_2] = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Finding $[b_3]_C$: ... analogous to $[b_2]_C$.

$$\text{We will get } \lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = 0, \lambda_3 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{The third column of } P_{C \leftarrow B} \text{ is } [b_3]_C = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{In conclusion } P_{C \leftarrow B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$