

Reading Questions 11

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1. If $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and the first entry of \vec{v} is nonzero and the first entry of \vec{w} is zero then \vec{v} and \vec{w} are linearly independent. **F**
2. If $\text{span}(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3) = \ker(A)$ then $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ is a basis for $\ker(A)$. **F**
3. If $\text{span}(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2) = \ker(A)$ and \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 are linearly independent then the dimension of $\ker(A)$ is 2. **T**
4. Suppose $\text{span}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = V$. What is the dimension of V ?

\wedge $\text{span}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right)$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ are linearly independent

Section 3.3 The Dimension of a Subspaces in \mathbb{R}^n (Part 1)

Dimension

(1) $\hat{=}$ (2) $\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$
form a basis
for V .

P 1. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$.

1. Find a basis for the kernel.
2. Find a basis for the image.
3. Determine the dimensions for each of the previously found subspaces.
4. Use the dimension of the image of A to determine the number of free variables for the system $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.
5. Use the dimension of the kernel of A to determine the rank of A .

$\therefore \dim V = 2$

P 2. For which values of the constant k do the following vectors form a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 ?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ k \\ k^2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

P 3. Consider the plane $2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 0$ which is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

1. Find a matrix whose kernel is the same as the plane.
2. Find a basis for the plane.
3. Find the dimension of the plane.

3.2

Ex: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$. We know $\text{im } A = \text{span} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right)$

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

↑
redundant
vectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{im } A = \text{span} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{im } A = \text{span} \left(\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{linearly independent}} \right)$$

Def: Let $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

(a) The vector \vec{v}_i is redundant if it is a linear combination of $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_{i-1}$.

(b) The vectors $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$ are linearly independent if they don't contain a redundant vector. Otherwise the set of vectors are not linearly independent.

(c) If $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$ are in a subspace V and linearly independent and they span V ($\Rightarrow V = \text{span}(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m)$) then they form a basis for V .

Ex: From the previous example $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ form a basis for $\text{im } A$. Also $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis.

Ex: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$. Find a basis for $\text{im}(A)$.

$$\text{rref}[A] = \text{rref} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$
 linearly independent
 columns of A

$$\text{im } A = \text{span}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is a basis}$$

for $\text{im } A$.

Thm: The set of vectors $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$ are linearly independent if all columns of $\text{rref}\left[\begin{smallmatrix} \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_m \end{smallmatrix}\right]$ contain a pivot.

Ex: The vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$ are not linearly independent since

$$\text{rref} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thm: The vectors $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are linearly independent if and only if $c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_m \vec{v}_m = \vec{0}$ implies $c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_m = 0$

Cor: The vectors $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$ form a basis for the subspace V of \mathbb{R}^n if and only if every $\vec{v} \in V$ can be expressed uniquely as $c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_m \vec{v}_m = \vec{v}$. c_1, \dots, c_m are the coordinates

of \vec{v} with respect to $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$.

$$\vec{v} = \underbrace{c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_m \vec{v}_m}_{\vec{v}} = \underbrace{d_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + d_m \vec{v}_m}_{\vec{v}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{0} &= \vec{v} - \vec{v} = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_m \vec{v}_m - d_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + d_m \vec{v}_m \\ &= (c_1 - d_1) \vec{v}_1 + \dots + (c_m - d_m) \vec{v}_m\end{aligned}$$

3.3

Thm: Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Let

$\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_p$ be linearly independent in V . Let

$\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_q$ span V . Then $p \leq q$.

Thm: All bases have the same number of vectors.

Def: The dimension of a subspace V , denoted by $\dim V$, is the number of vectors in a basis for V .

Remarks

$$\dim(\text{im } A) = \text{rank } A$$

$$\begin{aligned}\dim(\ker A) &= \text{the } \# \text{ of free variables of } A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \\ &= \text{null}(A) \quad \text{nullity of } A\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{rank } A + \text{null } A = n$$