

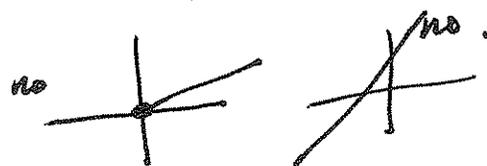
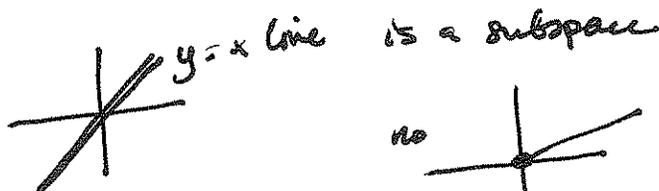
# Lecture 2 : 25 May

Previously on math 240:

- talked about how matrices multiply w/ vectors.
- defined a vector space. e.g.  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- defined what a subspace is, ~~some~~ it was a subset of the vector space in consideration closed under addition and scalar multiplication.

remark:  
dot product not part of the data that's extra

eg: in  $\mathbb{R}^2$



what about in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . check:

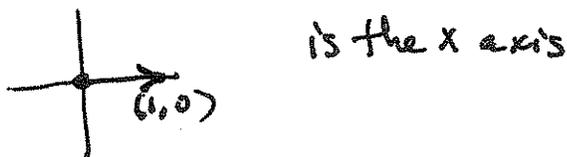
- the  $xy$  plane
- the  $y=0, z=0$  line
- the plane  $ax+by+cz=0$ .

but not a plane not going through the origin.

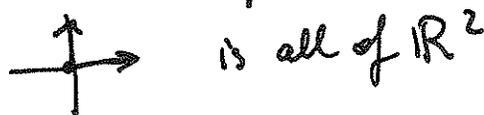
Span: the span of vectors  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$  is the set of all linear combinations of  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$ . (subspace spanned by  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$ )

$$\text{Span} \{ \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k \} = \{ \lambda_1 \vec{v}_1 + \lambda_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + \lambda_k \vec{v}_k \mid \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R} \text{ for all } i=1, \dots, k \}$$

examples:  $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$



$\text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$



$\text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

is also all of  $\mathbb{R}^2$

Span  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  is the xy plane ( $z=0$ )

span  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  is  $\mathbb{R}^3$

span  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is also all of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

Q: how many vectors do we need, to span  $\mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}^3, \dots, \mathbb{R}^n, \dots$  ?

Q: What's going on with the last example?

Linear independence:

$\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$  are said to be linearly independent if the only values of  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$  that satisfy

$$\lambda_1 \vec{v}_1 + \lambda_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + \lambda_n \vec{v}_n = 0$$

are  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_n = 0$

In other words,  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  are linearly independent if and only if none of the vectors can be written as a linear combination of the others. Indeed, if there was a choice of  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$  so that they are not all zero and

$$\lambda_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \lambda_n \vec{v}_n = 0$$

then we could pull the non-zero one (say  $\lambda_5$  is  $\neq 0$ )

$$\lambda_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \lambda_4 \vec{v}_4 + \lambda_6 \vec{v}_6 + \dots + \lambda_n \vec{v}_n = -\lambda_5 \vec{v}_5$$

then 
$$\vec{v}_5 = -\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_5} \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \frac{-\lambda_4}{\lambda_5} \vec{v}_4 + \frac{-\lambda_6}{\lambda_5} \vec{v}_6 + \dots + \frac{-\lambda_n}{\lambda_5} \vec{v}_n$$

and we would have expressed  $v_5$  in terms of the others  
(as a linear combination) 2

examples •  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  are linearly independent.

check:  $\lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$  

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 0 \text{ and } \lambda_2 = 0$$

•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  are independent 

check:  $\lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 \\ \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 0 \text{ and } \lambda_2 = 0.$$

•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  are dependent. 

$$(-2) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

In the examples before:

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  are linearly independent 

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  are dependent. 

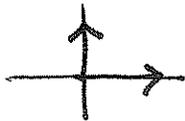
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  are also dependent. 

Again: how many do we need to span the whole space?

we know now that if  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$  are linearly dependent we have too many. So we start with a spanning subset, remove vectors so that they still span but are not dependent anymore, what we get is a basis. The point is that once we have a basis  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ , then every vector can be expressed uniquely as a linear combination of  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ .

Def: A basis for a vector space is a subset of elements that ~~can~~ span the whole space and are linearly independent.

eg: •  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  form a basis



•  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  also form a basis



- you can write every vector in terms of these
- no redundancy

Indeed, if  $\vec{w} = \lambda_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \lambda_n \vec{v}_n$   
but also  $\vec{w} = \mu_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \mu_n \vec{v}_n$ , then

$$0 = \vec{w} - \vec{w} = (\lambda_1 - \mu_1) \vec{v}_1 + \dots + (\lambda_n - \mu_n) \vec{v}_n$$

so if  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  are linearly independent, then

$$\lambda_1 - \mu_1 = \lambda_2 - \mu_2 = \dots = \lambda_n - \mu_n = 0$$

So if we have a basis  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  then every vector can be written uniquely in terms of these.

How many elements in a basis? for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  we saw 2  
for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  we saw 3

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

(look at standard basis  $e_1, \dots, e_n$ )

The size of a basis for a vector space is the dimension of a vector space (it doesn't depend on the basis you choose, it's always the same number)

recall how to multiply a matrix with a vector.

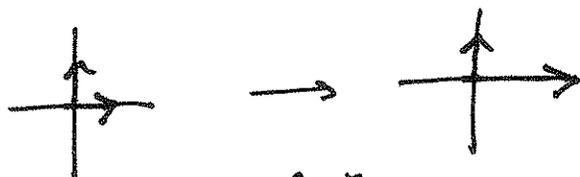
$$2 \times 2: \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ax+by \\ cx+dy \end{pmatrix}$$

one thing we do a lot as I explained before: solve  $A\vec{x}=\vec{b}$

Let's look at some examples:

•  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  this is the id matrix  
 $I\vec{x} = \vec{x}$  for all  $\vec{x}$ .  
so  $\vec{x} = \vec{b}$

•  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  what does this do?



dilates in the  $x$  direction

so for example  $A\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  makes  $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  into  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

•  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$   $A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ x \end{pmatrix}$

swaps  $x$  and  $y$ .

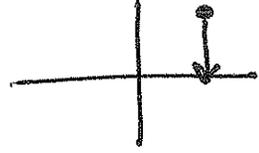


$A\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$   $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

unique solution.

• different example

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



projects onto x axis.

let's look at  $A\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$



$x=1$   $y$  can be anything.

so we have infinitely many solutions.

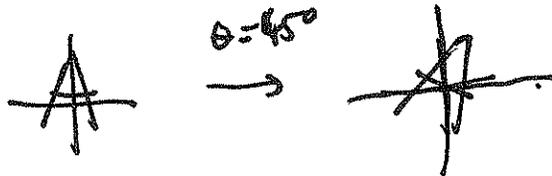
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now look at  $A\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  no solutions!

but notice that if there is a solution, it's always a one-parameter family.

we'll come back to this.

•  $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$  rotation by  $\theta$  unique solution!



• if you work down this with equations

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= 3 \\ 2x + 3y &= 7 \end{aligned}$$

we could play with the equations.

• remove 2 times 1st eq from second

$$x + y = 3$$

$$0 + y = 1$$

so  $y = 1$  ~~add~~

remove second from first:

$$x + 0 = 2$$

$$x = 2$$

$$0 + y = 1$$

We could also do this with just the numbers to make it easier to write.

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 7 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 2R_1} \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - R_2} \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad x = 2 \quad y = 1$$

these are row operations: what are we allowed to do?  
everything we could do with equations:

- add some multiple of a row to another
- ~~multiply~~ multiply a row by a number (which is not 0)
- swap rows

the point is that we could always go back.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{eg: } x_1 - x_2 - x_3 &= -3 \\ 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 &= 7 \\ x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 &= -11 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & | & -3 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & | & 7 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 & | & -11 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & | & -3 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & | & 7 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & | & -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 2R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & | & -3 \\ 0 & 5 & 7 & | & 13 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & | & -8 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow 5R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & | & -3 \\ 0 & 5 & 7 & | & 13 \\ 0 & -5 & 20 & | & -40 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & | & -3 \\ 0 & 5 & 7 & | & 13 \\ 0 & 0 & 27 & | & -27 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow \frac{1}{27}R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & | & -3 \\ 0 & 5 & 7 & | & 13 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

we see already that  $x_3 = -1$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 7R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & | & -3 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & | & 20 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 \cdot \frac{1}{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & | & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{so} \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 &= 0 \\ x_2 &= 4 \\ x_3 &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

we also see that this is the only solution.  
more about that later.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \quad A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

$$\begin{matrix} R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - 6R_1 \\ R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 2R_1 \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 6 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 6 & 9 \\ 0 & 6 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 6 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

this is as simple as it will become.

$$2x_1 - x_3 = 0$$

$$2x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$$

you can see that we have a choice here  
we can pick  $x_3$  for example and the others  
follow.

$$x_1 = \frac{x_3}{2} \quad x_2 = -\frac{3}{2}x_3$$

so the solution is  $\begin{pmatrix} x_3/2 \\ -3/2x_3 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$  one parameter family. 9

Matrices are linear functions and linear functions are matrices.

A linear function  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is a function that takes  $n$ -vectors and gives  $m$ -vectors, such that

$$f(v+w) = f(v) + f(w)$$

and

$$f(\lambda v) = \lambda f(v)$$

A matrix gives a linear function by multiplying with vectors. An  $m \times n$  matrix gives.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A \vec{x} = \vec{y}$$

now:  $A(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = A\vec{v} + A\vec{w}$

and  $A(\lambda \vec{v}) = \lambda A\vec{v}$

so this is a linear function.

On the other hand, every linear function gives a matrix. Say we have a linear function  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ . Since  $f$  is linear, it suffices to know what  $f$  does to the standard basis. Indeed, say  $\vec{v} = \lambda_1 e_1 + \dots + \lambda_n e_n$

then  $f(v) = \lambda_1 f(e_1) + \lambda_2 f(e_2) + \dots + \lambda_n f(e_n)$

then check that if  $A = \begin{pmatrix} f(e_1) & f(e_2) & \dots & f(e_n) \end{pmatrix}$

then  $f(v) = Av$  (the columns of  $A$  are the  $m$ -vectors  $f(e_i)$ ) 10