

Corollary If $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$, $T = \{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$ are basis for V , then $n=m$. (62)

Proof S basis, T linearly independent $\Rightarrow m \leq n$
 T basis, S linearly independent $\Rightarrow n \leq m$ $\Rightarrow m=n$ $\square$.

Defn The dimension of a vector space V is the number of vectors in a basis for V . Say $\{0\}$ has dimension zero.

Examples $\dim \mathbb{R}^n = n$ $\dim C^\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) = \infty$.

$$\dim P_n = n+1$$

$$\dim M_{mn} = mn$$

Thm If S_1 spans V , then there is a subset of S_1 which is a basis.

Proof Let $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ spans V , some linearly dependent, then

$$c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_k v_k = 0 \text{ w/ all } c_i = 0, \text{ wlog (reorder) } c_k \neq 0$$

$$\text{so } v_k = \frac{c_1}{c_k} v_1 + \dots + \frac{c_{k-1}}{c_k} v_{k-1} \text{ so } v_1, \dots, v_{k-1} \text{ also span } V.$$

continue throwing out vectors till you get a linearly independent set which spans V $\square$. do constructive proof as well

~~Thm If S is a linearly independent set of vectors in a finite dim vector space, then there is a basis which contains S .~~

Thm If $\dim V = n$, and a set of n vectors span V , then they are independent.

Proof Let $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ span V , suppose they are dependent, i.e.

$$c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_n v_n = 0 \text{ w/ all } c_i = 0, \text{ wlog } c_n \neq 0 \text{ (reorder)}$$

$$\text{then } v_n = \frac{c_1}{c_n} v_1 + \dots + \frac{c_{n-1}}{c_n} v_{n-1} \text{ so any } w \in V \text{ can be written as}$$

$$w = d_1 v_1 + \dots + d_{n-1} v_{n-1} + d_n \left(\frac{c_1}{c_n} v_1 + \dots + \frac{c_{n-1}}{c_n} v_{n-1} \right)$$

$S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ there is a finite subset which is a basis for $\text{span } S$.

spoke $\underline{v} \in \text{span } S$ so $\underline{v} = c_1 \underline{v}_1 + c_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{v}_n$

how would we find $c_1 \dots c_n$?

solve: $\left[\underline{v}_1 \ \underline{v}_2 \ \dots \ \underline{v}_n \mid \underline{v} \right]$ row reduce:

rearrange cols:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|cccc} \underline{v}_1 & \underline{v}_2 & \dots & \underline{v}_n & \underline{v}_{n+1} & \dots & \underline{v}_n & \\ \hline 1 & 0 & & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 0 & 1 & & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ & & \cdot & & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ & & & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & & & \\ 0 & & & & & & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

can choose $c_{n+1} \dots c_n$ to be anything (free variable)
so choose them to be zero!

so every $\underline{v} \in \text{span } S$ is $\underline{v} = c_1 \underline{v}_1 + \dots + c_r \underline{v}_r$

$\underline{v}_i$ correspond to cols with leading ones.



Proof Suppose $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ span V , then there is a subset which is a basis. wlog $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ but $\dim V = n = k \Rightarrow \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ is a basis, hence indep. $\square$. (3)

Thm If S is a linearly independent set of vectors in V , then there is a basis which contains S . (i.e. you can extend a linearly independent set to a basis).

Proof Let $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$, let $T = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ be a basis.

Consider $\{v_1, e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ linearly dependent as $v_1 = c_1 e_1 + \dots + c_n e_n$

not all $c_i = 0$, discard some e_i with $c_i \neq 0$ (wlog e_1) to get

$\{v_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ which spans, n elements $\Rightarrow$ linearly independent, so in fact is a basis. Now add v_2 , and so on.... $\square$.

Thm Let V have dimension n , and let $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ be a set of n vectors in V . Then

- a) if S is linearly independent, then it is a basis.
- b) if S spans V , then it is a basis.

Proof (exercise).

§6.5 Homogeneous systems

$$\underline{Ax} = \underline{0} \quad A \text{ } (n \times n) \text{ matrix, i.e. } A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n.$$

How to find a basis for the solution space:

solve equations using row reduction.

write answer in form $\underline{x} = s_1 \underline{x}_1 + s_2 \underline{x}_2 + \dots + s_n \underline{x}_n$