

Last time: 1. Bases and unique decomposition

2. Bases and dimensions of column, row and null space of a matrix.
"Im T" "Ker T"

Today: · more example computations · the Rank-Nullity thm.

1. Coordinate vectors

Setting: · We're given a basis (an ordered basis) $B = (v_1, \dots, v_p)$ of a subspace $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and a vector $v \in V$.

· We want the unique vector $[v]_B := \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_p \end{bmatrix}$ s.t. $v = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_p v_p$.

Def: (Coordinate vector) The vector $[v]_B$ is called the coordinate vector of v with respect to B .

Recall: To find $[v]_B = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_p \end{bmatrix}$ is just to solve $x_1 v_1 + \dots + x_p v_p = v$.

Example. Let $B = \left(v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right)$. Let $v = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$.

i) Prove that B is a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Pf: There are 3 elts in B , and $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ spans \mathbb{R}^3 since

$$EF \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ has no zero rows.}$$

It follows that B is a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .

(2) Find $[v]_B$. $(v = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}.)$

Soln. We need to solve $x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}.$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3$

$\Rightarrow x_1 = -2, x_2 = 2, x_3 = 1$, so $[v]_B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$ \square

Note. Order matters. For example, if $B' = (v_2, v_1, v_3) = \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right)$,

then $[v]_{B'} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

2. Bases of images and kernels of lin. maps

Let $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a lin. map.

Recall: For the standard matrix A of T , $\text{im } T = \text{Col } A$, $\text{ker } T = \text{Null } A$.

Example: Consider the linear map $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 3x \\ x+2y \\ 5x+4y \end{bmatrix}$.

Find a basis and the dimension of $\text{Im } T$; repeat for $\text{Ker } T$.

Soln: The standard matrix of T is $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$. ← the matrix from last lecture

We row-reduce A :

$$A \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \\ 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -6 \\ 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\begin{matrix} \color{blue}{\boxed{1}} & \color{blue}{\boxed{2}} \\ \color{blue}{p} & \color{blue}{p} \end{matrix}$

It follows that $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis of $\text{Im } T$, and $\dim(\text{Im } T) = 2$.

For $\text{Ker } T = \text{Null } A$ we need the reduced echelon form:

$$A \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{augmented matrix}} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{So } \text{Ker } T = \text{Null } A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

So $\text{Ker } T$ is the zero space.

Thus, the empty set $\{\emptyset\}$ is a basis of $\text{Ker } T$ and $\dim(\text{Ker } T) = 0$.

Fact: The space $\{\vec{0}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is always considered to have \emptyset as a basis and 0 as dimension.

Let $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a linear map. (and let A be its standard matrix)

Def: The rank of T is defined to be $\dim(\text{Im } T)$. \rightarrow this is just $\dim(\text{Im } T) = \dim(\text{Col } A)$

The nullity of T is defined to be $\dim(\text{Ker } T)$. $= \text{rank}(A)$.
 $\downarrow \dim(\text{Ker } T) = \dim(\text{Null } A)$

Thm 1. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a linear map (so its standard matrix A is $m \times n$).

Then $\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) \stackrel{(*)}{=} n$ (which is \dim (the domain)
(and also $\#$ cols of A)).

Pf:

- $\text{rank } T = \dim(\text{Col } A) = \# \text{ pivot cols of } A$
- $\text{nullity } T = \dim(\text{Null } A) = \# \text{ non-pivot cols of } A$
- $n = \# \text{ cols of } A$

} $\Rightarrow (*)$.

Point: (1). Rank (T) , Nullity (T) are numbers that encode surj/inj of T :

$T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ (i) T is surj $\Leftrightarrow \text{Im } T = \mathbb{R}^m \Leftrightarrow \dim(\text{Im } T) = \text{Rank}(T) = m$. ("full-rank")

(ii) T is inj $\Leftrightarrow \text{Ker } T = \{0\} \Leftrightarrow \dim(\text{Ker } T) = \text{Nullity}(T) = 0$. ("trivial kernel")

(2). The Rank-Nullity Thm connects the notions of surj and inj.

e.g:

(deducing inj/surj from nullity/rank.)

(a) "square case": Let $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a linear map.

By the above,

T is inj $\Leftrightarrow \text{Nullity } T = 0 \xleftrightarrow{\text{Thm 1}} \text{Rank } T = n \Leftrightarrow T$ is surj.

We have thus recovered an equivalence from the invertibility thm.

(b). Let $T: \mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$. Then $\text{Im } T \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$, so $\text{Rank } T \leq 3$. As $\text{Rank } T + \text{Nullity } T = 5$,

$\text{Nullity } T \geq 2$, so T cannot be inj. Now if $\text{Rank } T = 1$, then $\text{Nullity } T = 4$.

Since $1 < 3$, T is not surj. Since $4 \neq 0$, T is not inj. Next time: determinants.