

4.1 Vectors in $\mathbb{R}^n$: linear combinations of vectors

50) Write $\vec{v}$ as a linear combination of $\vec{u}_1$, $\vec{u}_2$, and $\vec{u}_3$ where

$$\vec{v} = (7, 2, 5, -3)$$

$$\vec{u}_1 = (2, 1, 1, 2)$$

$$\vec{u}_2 = (-3, 3, 4, -5)$$

$$\vec{u}_3 = (-6, 3, 1, 2)$$

That is, find scalars c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 such that

$$c_1 \vec{u}_1 + c_2 \vec{u}_2 + c_3 \vec{u}_3 = \vec{v}$$

Use matrix notation. Solve:

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 2 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark: This is, in effect, just a system of 4 equations, 3 variables

$$\begin{cases} 2c_1 - 3c_2 - 6c_3 = 7 \\ c_1 + 3c_2 + 3c_3 = 2 \\ c_1 + 4c_2 + c_3 = 5 \\ 2c_1 - 5c_2 + 2c_3 = -3 \end{cases}$$

ex (contd)
Augmented matrix x :

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$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -3 & -6 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & -5 & 2 & -3 \end{array} \right]$$

$\xrightarrow{\text{rref}}$ on TI-84

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$c_1 = 2$$

$$c_2 = 1$$

$$c_3 = -1$$

check: $2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 2 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark$

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4.2 Definition of Vector Space

Let V be a set on which there are two operations, called vector addition and scalar multiplication, are defined. If the following axioms are satisfied, we say that V is a vector space.

- (1) $\vec{u} + \vec{v}$ is in V "closure under addition"
- (2) $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$ "commutative"
- (3) $\vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w}$ "associative"
- (4) V has a zero vector $\vec{0}$ "additive identity"
such that $\vec{u} + \vec{0} = \vec{u}$ for any $\vec{u}$ in V
- (5) For every $\vec{u}$ in V , there is a vector $-\vec{u}$ such that $\vec{u} + (-\vec{u}) = \vec{0}$ "additive inverse"
- (6) $c\vec{u}$ is in V "closure under scalar multiplication"
- (7) $c(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = c\vec{u} + c\vec{v}$ "distributive property"
- (8) $(c+d)\vec{u} = c\vec{u} + d\vec{u}$ "
- (9) $c(d\vec{u}) = (cd)\vec{u}$ "associative property"
- (10) $1(\vec{u}) = \vec{u}$ "scalar identity"

Some examples and some non-examples of vector spaces

ex: 3×4 matrices or $M_{3,4}$. That is

$$M_{3,4} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{34} \end{bmatrix} : a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ for each } i, j \right\}$$

"vector addition" will be the usual addition of matrices.

"scalar multiplication" will be the usual scalar mult. of matrices.

for example: $5 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 4 & 8 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + 10 \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 & 20 & 40 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 25 & 10 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 40 & 0 & 0 & 10 \\ 0 & 30 & 0 & 0 \\ 20 & 50 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 50 & 0 & 20 & 50 \\ 5 & 30 & 0 & 0 \\ 20 & 50 & 25 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Check axioms

Addition

(1) closure ✓

(2) commutative ✓

(3) associative ✓

(4) additive identity = $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ✓

(5) additive inverse ✓

Scalar mult

(6) closure ✓

(7) { distributive properties } ✓

(8)

(9) associative ✓

(10) 1 = identity

ex: (Polynomials of degree 3 or less)

$$P_3 = \{ a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 \mid a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

vector addition: $p(x) = 3 + 2x - 5x^2 + x^3$

$$q(x) = 4 - x + 2x^2 + 2x^3$$

$$p(x) + q(x) = 7 + x - 3x^2 + 3x^3$$

$$10p(x) = 30 + 20x - 50x^2 + 10x^3$$

What is the "zero vector"? $p(x) = 0 + 0x + 0x^2 + 0x^3$

$$\text{or } p(x) = 0$$

"Additive inverse?" If $q(x) = 4 - x + 2x^2 + 2x^3$

then $-q(x) = -4 + x - 2x^2 - 2x^3$

$\therefore P_3$ is a vector space.

ex (nonexample) Polynomials of degree exactly 3, with standard operations.

ex: Are the integers a vector space?

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{ \dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \}$$

with scalars $= \mathbb{R}$, usual addition, scalar multiplication.

(6) fails. $\frac{1}{2}$ is a scalar,
5 is an integer

$\frac{1}{2}(5)$ is not an integer.

Here, $\mathbb{Z}$ is not closed under
scalar multiplication.