

Coordinate Vectors

Last Class

We saw that every vector space has a basis
→ turns out that the # of vectors in a basis for
a given VS is fixed
→ Call this # the dimension of V

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ex) } \dim(\mathbb{R}^n) &= n \\ \dim(\mathbb{R}_n[x]) &= n+1 \\ \dim(M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})) &= mn \end{aligned}$$

Section 5.4 - Coordinate vectors / Change of Basis

Recall : In checking if the vector

i) $(2+3x-5x^2)$ in $\text{span}(1+x-2x^2, 2+x-3x^2)$



Checking if the 3-vector $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$ in $\text{span}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}\right)$

ii) Checking if $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$ in $\text{span}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}\right)$



Checking if 4-vector $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$ in span $\left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right)$

Why care about Basis in first place?

Let $B = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$ be a basis for V

- then every vector w in V can be expressed uniquely as the sum

$$w = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_n v_n$$

Def: The coordinate vector for w with respect to a basis B

$$[w]_B = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\text{ex) } V = \mathbb{R}_2[x], \quad \mathcal{B} = (1, x, x^2)$$

$$\bullet \text{ then } 3 - x + 5x^2 = 3(1) - 1(x) + 5(x^2)$$

$$\text{so } [3 - x + 5x^2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bullet \mathcal{B}' = (2+x, 3+x^2, x-x^2) \text{ is another basis for } V$$

$$\bullet \text{ then } 3 - x + 5x^2 = c_1(2+x) + c_2(3+x^2) + c_3(x-x^2)$$

$$3 - x + 5x^2 = 9(2+x) - 5(3+x^2) - 5(x-x^2) \quad \leftarrow \text{turns out}$$

$$\Rightarrow [3 - x + 5x^2]_{\mathcal{B}'} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ -5 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thrm: Let V vs and $\mathcal{B} = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$ a basis.

Then a vector w in $\text{span}(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m)$ if and only if

$$[w]_{\mathcal{B}} \text{ in } \text{span}([u_1]_{\mathcal{B}}, [u_2]_{\mathcal{B}}, \dots, [u_m]_{\mathcal{B}})$$

We already saw this!

ex) $V = M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$, $\mathcal{B} = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$

Then $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ in $\text{span}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}\right)$ if and only if

$$\left[\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \right]_{\mathcal{B}} \text{ in span} \left(\left[\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right]_{\mathcal{B}}, \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right]_{\mathcal{B}} \right)$$

~~$$\left(\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \right) \text{ in span} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right) ?$$~~

ii) $V = \mathbb{R}_2[x]$, $\mathcal{B} = (1, x, x^2)$

Checking if $2 + 3x - 5x^2$ in $\text{span}(1 + x - 2x^2, 2 + x - 3x^2)$?

$$\left[\begin{matrix} 2 + 3x - 5x^2 \\ \parallel \end{matrix} \right]_{\mathcal{B}} \text{ in } \text{span} \left(\left[\begin{matrix} 1 + x - 2x^2 \\ \parallel \end{matrix} \right]_{\mathcal{B}}, \left[\begin{matrix} 2 + x - 3x^2 \\ \parallel \end{matrix} \right]_{\mathcal{B}} \right) ?$$

Check if $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$ in span $\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \right)$?

What this then tells us is questions about spanning in general

can be reduced to questions about spanning in \mathbb{R}^n

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Thm.: V n -dim VS. Let (w_1, \dots, w_k) be vectors in V

1) If (w_1, \dots, w_k) span V then $k \geq n$

2) If (w_1, \dots, w_k) is LI then $k \leq n$

Also have "half is good enough" statements
(see HW)

ex) $V = \mathbb{R}_2[x]$ $(1, x, 2x, 3x)$ - have 4 vectors in 3-dim space
but do not span.

ex) $V = M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ $(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix})$

- have 3 vectors in 4-dim space, but they are not LB

Recall: We saw that $[w]_{\mathcal{B}}$ changes depending on our basis.

$$V = \mathbb{R}_2[x]$$

$$\bullet \mathcal{B} = (1, x, x^2)$$

$$[3 - x + 5x^2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\bullet \mathcal{B}' = (2+x, 3+x^2, x-x^2)$$

$$[3 - x + 5x^2]_{\mathcal{B}'} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ -5 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Are there any relationship between $[w]_{\mathcal{B}}$ and $[w]_{\mathcal{B}'}$

Yes! - The relationship is given as follows:

Def: Let V n -dim vector space. Let

$\mathcal{B} = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$ and $\mathcal{B}' = (w_1, \dots, w_n)$ be 2 basis.

The matrix

$$P_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}'} = \begin{pmatrix} [v_1]_{\mathcal{B}'} & [v_2]_{\mathcal{B}'} & \dots & [v_n]_{\mathcal{B}'} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & & \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

is called the change of basis matrix from $\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}'$

Thm: V n -dim VS , $\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{B}'$ 2 diff bases.

$$\text{Then } [w]_{\mathcal{B}'} = P_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}'} [w]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

• Moreover

$$\left(P_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}'} \right)^{-1} = P_{\mathcal{B}' \rightarrow \mathcal{B}}$$

$$\text{ex) } V = \mathbb{R}_2[x] \text{ and } \mathcal{B} = (1, x, x^2) \\ \mathcal{B}' = (1, 2x + 4x^2, x^2)$$

$$\text{Let } f = 2 - 6x + 3x^2$$

$$\text{a) Find } [f]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

$$\bullet f = 2(1) - 6(x) + 3(x^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow [f]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -6 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{b) Find } P_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}'}$$

$$1 = 1(1) + 0(2x + 4x^2) + 0(x^2) \Rightarrow [1]_{\mathcal{B}'} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x = 0(1) + \frac{1}{2}(2x + 4x^2) - 2(x^2) \Rightarrow [x]_{\mathcal{B}'} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x^2 = 0(n) + 0(2x+4x^1) + 1(x^1) \Rightarrow [x^2]_{\mathcal{B}'} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}'} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

c) Find $[f]_{\mathcal{B}'}$

Thm tells us $[f]_{\mathcal{B}'} = P_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}'} [f]_{\mathcal{B}}$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -6 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - 6 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

Check: Is $2(1) - 3(2x + 4x^2) + 15(x^2) = f$?

$$2 - 6x - 12x^2 + 15x^2 = 2 - 6x + 3x^2 = f \quad \checkmark$$

1) Check that $(P_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}'})^{-1} = P_{\mathcal{B}' \rightarrow \mathcal{B}}$

$$1 = 1(1) + 0(x) + 0(x^2) \Rightarrow [1]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$2x + 4x^2 = 0(1) + 2(x) + 4(x^2) \Rightarrow [2x + 4x^2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x^2 = 0(1) + 0(x) + 0(x^2) \Rightarrow [x^2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{B' \rightarrow B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

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