

LECTURE 3 : LINEAR SYSTEMS VIA MATRIX COLUMN PRODUCTS

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AND LINEAR COMBINATIONS & DEPENDENCE

$$\text{Def}^n / \text{span} \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} = \{c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_n v_n \mid c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

this is a linear combination
of $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$

When it is not possible to write one vector in a given set as a linear combination of the remaining vectors then that set is called linearly independent

If it is possible to write one vector as linear comb. of other vectors in a given set then that set is said to be linearly dependent. To be more careful than these words, here is the definition,

Defⁿ / $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is LINEARLY INDEPENDENT
OR LI if $c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_n v_n = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 = 0, \dots, c_n = 0$.
If S is NOT LI then S is LINEARLY DEPENDENT

Th^m / If $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is NOT LI then there exists $v_j \in S$ for which $v_j = \sum_{i \neq j} c_i v_i$. That is, $v_j \in \text{span} \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{j-1}, v_{j+1}, \dots, v_n\}$

$S - \{v_j\}$

$$v_j \in \text{span}(S - \{v_j\})$$

Proof: Suppose $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is not LI. Then (2)
there exist constants $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$ (not all zero) for which

$$c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_n v_n = 0$$

Suppose $c_j \neq 0$ then $c_j v_j = -c_1 v_1 - \dots - c_{j-1} v_{j-1} - c_{j+1} v_{j+1} - \dots - c_n v_n$

$$\text{Thus } v_j = \frac{-c_1}{c_j} v_1 - \dots - \frac{c_{j-1}}{c_j} v_{j-1} - \frac{c_{j+1}}{c_j} v_{j+1} - \dots - \frac{c_n}{c_j} v_n$$

Hence $v_j \in \text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_{j-1}, v_{j+1}, \dots, v_n\}$ //

[E1] $S = \{x+1, x-1, x\}$ is linearly dependent

$$\text{since } \frac{1}{2}(x+1) + \frac{1}{2}(x-1) = x.$$

[E2] $S = \{1, x, x^2\}$ is LI

$$\text{Suppose } \underline{c_1(1) + c_2 x + c_3 x^2 = 0} \quad \textcircled{A}$$

Feed $\textcircled{A}$ $x=0$ to get $\underline{c_1 = 0}$. Note $\frac{d\textcircled{A}}{dx}$ yields
 $c_2 + 2c_3 x = 0$ and set $x=0$ to get $\underline{c_2 = 0}$.

Then plug $x=1$ into $\textcircled{A}$ to find $c_3(1)^2 = 0 \therefore \underline{c_3 = 0}$.

Consequently $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$ hence S is LI.

[E3] Let $S = \{f(x) \in P_3(\mathbb{R}) \mid f'(1) = 0\}$

$f(x) \in P_3(\mathbb{R})$ means $f(x) \in \text{span}\{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$

which means $f(x) = a + bx + cx^2 + dx^3$. Then

$f(x) \in S$ requires $f'(x) = b + 2cx + 3dx^2$ to evaluate
at $x=1$ to give $f'(1) = b + 2c + 3d = 0$. Then

$$b = -2c - 3d \Rightarrow \underline{f(x) = a + (-2c - 3d)x + cx^2 + dx^3}$$

$$f(x) = a(1) + c(-2x + x^2) + d(-3x + x^3) \quad \rightarrow$$

E3 continued

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We found $f(x) \in S$ implies that

$$f(x) = \underbrace{a(1) + c(-2x + x^2) + d(x^3 - 3x)}$$

$$\therefore f(x) \in \text{span}\{1, x^2 - 2x, x^3 - 3x\}$$

Let us return once more to systems of equations, we introduce further matrix notations, this is probably overdue at this point

Defⁿ/ An $m \times n$ matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ has the form

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \dots & A_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = [\text{col}_1(A) | \text{col}_2(A) | \dots | \text{col}_n(A)]$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \text{row}_1(A) \\ \text{row}_2(A) \\ \vdots \\ \text{row}_m(A) \end{bmatrix}$$

Here $(\text{row}_i(A))_j = A_{ij}$ whereas $(\text{col}_j(A))_i = A_{ij}$
and $1 \leq i \leq m$ whereas $1 \leq j \leq n$. If
 $m = n$ then A is called square

Special case of matrix is a column vector

$$\text{Def}^n/ v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1} = \mathbb{R}^n$$

Remark: $[w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m] \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times m}$ and $[w_1, \dots, w_m] \neq (w_1, \dots, w_m)$.

We can multiply an $(m \times n)$ matrix and an $(n \times 1)$ column vector to create an $(m \times 1)$ column vector (4)

$$\text{Def}^n / \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \dots & A_{mn} \end{bmatrix}}_{m \times n} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}}_{n \times 1} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A_{11}x_1 + A_{12}x_2 + \dots + A_{1n}x_n \\ A_{21}x_1 + A_{22}x_2 + \dots + A_{2n}x_n \\ \vdots \\ A_{m1}x_1 + A_{m2}x_2 + \dots + A_{mn}x_n \end{bmatrix}}_{m \times 1}$$

We can understand the above in terms of linear combats,

$$\text{Th}^n / Ax = x_1 \text{col}_1(A) + x_2 \text{col}_2(A) + \dots + x_n \text{col}_n(A)$$

Or, in terms of dot-products,

$$\text{Th}^n / Ax = \begin{bmatrix} \text{row}_1(A) \cdot x \\ \text{row}_2(A) \cdot x \\ \vdots \\ \text{row}_m(A) \cdot x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Def}^n / \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = A_1 B_1 + A_2 B_2 + \dots + A_n B_n \quad (\text{dot-product for } n\text{-vectors})$$

Notice,

$$\begin{aligned} Ax = b &\Leftrightarrow x_1 \text{col}_1(A) + x_2 \text{col}_2(A) + \dots + x_n \text{col}_n(A) = b \\ &\Leftrightarrow b \in \text{span} \{ \text{col}_1(A), \dots, \text{col}_n(A) \} \end{aligned}$$

$\text{Th}^n /$ The system of equations $Ax = b$ has a solution if and only if $b \in \text{span} \{ \text{col}_1(A), \dots, \text{col}_n(A) \}$

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E4

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle \\ \langle 4, 5, 6 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle \\ \langle 7, 8, 9 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Th^m / $Ae_i = \text{col}_i(A)$
for any $m \times n$ matrix A

E5

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} = x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} + w \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 5x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2y \\ 6y \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3z \\ 7z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4w \\ 8w \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x + 2y + 3z + 4w \\ 5x + 6y + 7z + 8w \end{bmatrix}$$

E6 Is $(1, 2, 2, 3) \in \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$? (6)

$$x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{can we solve this?}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{rref} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \longleftrightarrow x = 1 \\ \longleftrightarrow y = 0 \\ \longleftrightarrow z = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{this shows that } (1, 2, 2, 3) \text{ is in } \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Remark: we should look at my typed lecture notes, see Example 2.4.10 on pg. 40 Nile chemistry example