

# Linear Algebra 9/14

## §1.1 Vector space and basis

Def

field  $\mathbb{k} = (\mathbb{k}, +, \cdot)$  satisfies

set binary operations

$$(1) \quad a+b = b+a, \quad a \cdot b = b \cdot a$$

$$(2) \quad (a+b)+c = a+(b+c) \quad (a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$$

$$(3) \quad \exists 0 \neq 1 \in \mathbb{k} \text{ s.t.}$$

$$0+a = a$$

$$1 \cdot a = a$$

$$(4) \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{k}, \quad \forall b \neq 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{k}, \quad \exists c, d \in \mathbb{k} \text{ s.t.}$$

$$a+c = 0$$

$$b \cdot d = 1$$

$$(5) \quad a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$$

Example

①  $\mathbb{R} =$  the field of real numbers

②  $\mathbb{C} =$  the field of complex numbers

Def

A vector space (or linear space,

$\mathbb{k}$ -vector space)  $V$  over a field  $\mathbb{k}$

is  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} V \text{ --- a set} \\ + \xrightarrow{V \times V \rightarrow V} \text{ addition} \\ \bullet \xrightarrow{K \times V \rightarrow V} \text{ scalar product} \end{array} \right\}$  operation

s.t.

$$(1) \vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$$

$$(2) (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w} = \vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w})$$

$$(3) \exists \vec{0} \in \vec{V} \text{ s.t. } \vec{v} + \vec{0} = \vec{v}$$

$$(4) \forall \vec{v} \in \vec{V} \exists \vec{w} \in V \text{ s.t. } \vec{v} + \vec{w} = \vec{0}$$

$$(5) \underbrace{1}_{\in K} \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{v}$$

$$(6) (ab) \cdot \vec{v} = a \cdot (b\vec{v})$$

$$(7) a(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = a\vec{v} + a\vec{w}$$

$$(8) (a+b)\vec{v} = a\vec{v} + b\vec{v}$$

Example

①  $\mathbb{R}^n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \mid x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  is a vec. sp. over  $\mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n + y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ax_1 \\ \vdots \\ ax_n \end{pmatrix}$$

( $K^n$  is a vec. sp. over  $K$ )

②  $\mathbb{R}[x] = \{ \text{polynomials in } x \text{ with coeff in } \mathbb{R} \}$

is a vec. sp. over  $\mathbb{R}$

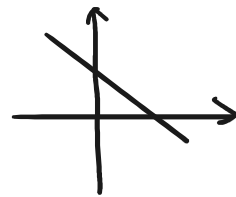
(3)  $k[x_1, \dots, x_n] = \{ \text{poly with variables } x_1, \dots, x_n \}$   
 $\{ \text{with coeff in } k \}$   
is a vec. sp. over  $k$

(4)  $M_{m \times n}(k) = \{ m \times n \text{ matrices with entries in } k \}$

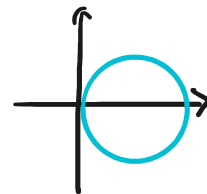
is a vec. sp. over  $k$

### Remark

(1)  $\{x+y+1=0\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$   
is NOT a vector space



(2)  $\{(x-1)^2 + y^2 = 1\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$   
is NOT a vec. sp.



Def Let  $V$  be a vec. sp.  $= (V, +, \cdot)$

(i) A subset  $W \neq \emptyset$  of  $V$  is called a subspace if (i)  $W$  is closed under

• and  $+$   $\leftarrow$  operations of  $V$

(ii)  $\vec{0} \in W$

(2) Let  $S \subseteq V$ . The space

$$\text{span}(S) := \left\{ \vec{v} \in V \mid \vec{v} = a_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + a_k \vec{v}_k \right. \\ \left. \text{for some } a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{k} \right. \\ \left. \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k \in V \right\}$$

is called the subspace spanned  
(or generated) by  $S$ .

smallest subspace<sup>of  $V$</sup>  which contains  $S$

(3) A vector of the form

$$a_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + a_k \vec{v}_k$$

is called a linear combination  
of  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k$ .

(4) We say  $S \subseteq V$  is linearly dependant

if  $\exists$  distinct  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k \in S$  and  
scalars  $a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{k}$  ← NOT all zeros

s.t.

$$a_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + a_k \vec{v}_k = \vec{0}$$

Otherwise,  $S$  is linearly independant

(5) A subset  $\beta \subseteq V$  is a basis if

$$\dots (n) - 1$$

- $\text{span } \beta = V$
- $\beta$  is linearly independent

$$|\beta| = \underline{\text{dimension of } V} = \dim V$$

Thm Let  $V$  be a vec. space over  $k$ .

- (1) Every vector sp. has a basis
- (2)  $\dim V$  is well-defined. That is, if  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  are two bases for  $V$ , then

$$|\beta_1| = |\beta_2|$$

- (3) Assume  $\dim V < \infty$ . A subset  $\beta = \{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$  of  $V$  is a basis

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall \vec{v} \in V, \exists! a_1, \dots, a_n \in k \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\vec{v} = a_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + a_n \vec{v}_n$$

The unique  $n$ -tuple

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \in k^n$$

is called the coordinate of  $\vec{v}$  with respect to  $\beta$ , denoted  $[\vec{v}]_\beta$

## Example

$$\textcircled{1} e_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow i\text{-th} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\uparrow$  called the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\textcircled{2} \{1, x, x^2, x^3, \dots\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}[x]$ .

( $\Rightarrow \dim \mathbb{R}[x] = \infty$ )

$\textcircled{3} \left\{ x_1^{i_1} x_2^{i_2} \dots x_n^{i_n} \mid i_1, \dots, i_n \text{ are nonnegative integers} \right\}$   
is a basis for  $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$

$\textcircled{4}$  Let  $E_{ij} \in M_{m \times n}(k)$  be

$$E_{ij} = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 1 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\{E_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  is a basis  
for  $M_{m \times n}(k)$  ( $\Rightarrow \dim M_{m \times n}(k) = m \cdot n$ )

Remark Let  $V$  be a finite-dim'l vec. sp.

$\textcircled{1}$  If  $\beta \subseteq V$  is linearly indep and  $|\beta| = \dim V$

then  $\beta$  is a basis for  $V$ .

② If  $\beta \subseteq V$  spans the whole space  $V$  and  $|\beta| = \dim V$ , then  $\beta$  is a basis for  $V$ .

## Linear map and matrix

Let  $V, W$  be vec. sp over  $\mathbb{K}$

Def

A map  $T: V \rightarrow W$  is linear if

$$T(a\vec{u} + b\vec{v}) = aT(\vec{u}) + bT(\vec{v})$$

$$\text{Hom}(V, W) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(V, W) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{linear maps} \\ V \rightarrow W \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{End}(V) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(V, V)$$

*denoted*  
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A linear map  $T: V \rightarrow W$  is called an isomorphism if  $\exists$  linear map  $T^{-1}: W \rightarrow V$

$$\text{s.t. } T^{-1} \circ T = \text{id}_V, \quad T \circ T^{-1} = \text{id}_W$$

Two vec. sp.  $V$  and  $W$  are isomorphic if  $\exists$  isomorphism  $V \rightarrow W$

Note: many "=" mean "is isomorphic to"

### Remark

① a linear map  $T: V \rightarrow W$  is an iso.

$\Leftrightarrow$   $T$  is 1-1 and onto

② the relation "isomorphic" is an equivalence relation, i.e.

- $V \cong V$
- $V \cong W \Rightarrow W \cong V$
- $V \cong W, W \cong W' \Rightarrow V \cong W'$

### Prop

Let  $T, T': V \rightarrow W$  be linear, and  $\beta = \{\vec{v}_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  be a basis for  $V$ .

$$(1) \quad T = T' \Leftrightarrow \begin{aligned} T(\vec{v}_\lambda) &= T'(\vec{v}_\lambda) \\ \forall \vec{v}_\lambda &\in \beta \end{aligned}$$

(2) Given any map  $f: \Lambda \rightarrow W$ ,  $\exists!$  linear map  $T_f: V \rightarrow W$  s.t.

$$T_f(\vec{v}_\lambda) = f(\lambda) \in W. \quad \forall \lambda \in \Lambda.$$

### Thm

$V \cong V$     $V \cong W \Rightarrow W \cong V$     $V \cong W, W \cong W' \Rightarrow V \cong W'$



$$V \cong W \iff \dim V = \dim W$$

Def

Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be linear.

(or null space)

$$\text{kernel of } T = \ker(T) = \{ \vec{v} \in V \mid T(\vec{v}) = 0 \}$$

$$\text{image of } T = \text{im}(T) = \left\{ \vec{w} \in W \mid \begin{array}{l} \vec{w} = T(\vec{v}) \\ \text{for some} \\ \vec{v} \in V \end{array} \right\}$$

(or range)

$$\text{rank of } T = \text{rank}(T) := \dim(\text{im}(T))$$

Prop

(1)  $\ker(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$

(2)  $\text{im}(T)$  " "  $W$

(3) if  $\dim V = \dim W$ , then

(a)  $T$  is an iso

$\Leftrightarrow$  (b)  $\ker(T) = 0$

$\Leftrightarrow$  (c)  $\text{im}(T) = W$ .

Suppose  $V$  and  $W$  are finite-dim'l.

Let

$\beta = \{ \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n \}$  : basis for  $V$

$\gamma = \{ \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_m \}$  : basis for  $W$

Def

Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be linear.

$\exists!$   $a_{ij} \in k$  s.t.

$$T(\vec{v}_j) = \underline{a_{1j}} \vec{w}_1 + \dots + \underline{a_{mj}} \vec{w}_m$$

$\forall j = 1, \dots, n$ . The  $m \times n$  matrix

$$[T]_{\delta}^{\beta} := \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$j$

is the matrix representation of  $T$

with respect to  $\beta$  and  $\delta$

In the case,  $V=W$ ,  $\beta=\delta$ , we also write

$$[T]_{\beta} = [T]_{\beta}^{\beta}$$

Remark

Here,  $\beta, \delta$  are "ordered bases"

(i.e. the order of vectors in the basis matters when computing matrix repr.)

Thm

$\rho \dots$

$$\{ T: V \rightarrow W \mid T \text{ is linear} \} \rightarrow M_{m \times n}(K)$$

$$T \longmapsto [T]_{\delta}^{\beta}$$

is an isomorphism of vector spaces  
where the operation of linear maps is

$$(aT + bT')(\vec{v}) = aT(\vec{v}) + bT'(\vec{v})$$

Thm

Let  $V, W, W'$  be vec. sp. and

$$T: V \rightarrow W, \quad T': W \rightarrow W'$$

be linear.

Let  $\beta$ : basis for  $V$

$\delta$ : "  $W$

$\delta'$ : "  $W'$

Then for  $\vec{v} \in V$

$$[T(\vec{v})]_{\delta} = [T]_{\delta}^{\beta} \cdot [\vec{v}]_{\beta}$$

matrix multiplication

$$[T' \circ T]_{\delta'}^{\beta} = [T']_{\delta'}^{\delta} \cdot [T]_{\delta}^{\beta}$$

Cor

$T: V \rightarrow W$   
 $T$  is an iso  $\Leftrightarrow [T]_{\delta}^{\beta}$  is invertible

In this case

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$$[T^{-1}]_{\beta}^{\alpha} = ([T]_{\alpha}^{\beta})^{-1}$$

choice of bases give the following corr.

vector space	$k^n = \{n \times 1 \text{ matrices}\}$
vector	$n \times 1$ matrix (coordinate)
linear map $V \rightarrow W$ $\dim W = m$ $\dim V = n$	$m \times n$ matrix
addition scalar product plugin vector composition iso inverse	matrix addition scalar product matrix multiplication matrix multiplication invertible matrix inverse of matrix

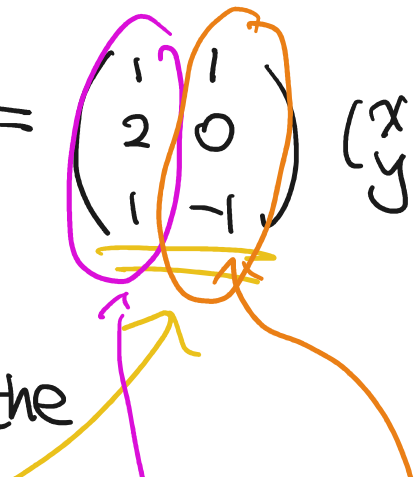
Example

The linear <sup>map</sup>  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x+y \\ 2x \\ x-y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

has the matrix repr.

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

standard bases

$(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix})$

because  $T(e_1) = T(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot e_1 + 2 \cdot e_2 + 1 \cdot e_3$

$T(e_2) = T(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \cdot e_1 + 1 \cdot e_2 + (-1) \cdot e_3$

Let  $B' = \{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \}$  - another basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$\Rightarrow T(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow [T]_{\alpha}^{B'} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$T(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

# Introduction to Linear Algebra

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The theory of Linear Algebra originated from the study of (systems of) **linear equations** such as

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_2 - 5x_3 = 0 \\ 2x_1 - x_2 = 1 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

which is equivalent to the matrix equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -5 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2)$$

## Fundamental questions about an equation

- Does a solution exist?
- If a solution exists, how many solutions does the equation have?
- What are the precise solutions of the equation?



## Existence problem for a linear system

Let  $T_A : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be the map which takes

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto A\vec{x},$$

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -5 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is the coefficient matrix of (2).

Note that

$$\text{solution of (2) exists} \Leftrightarrow \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{im}(T_A).$$

## How many solutions

if (2) has a sol, then  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$

The solution set of (2) is a **parallel transport** of the solution set of the corresponding homogeneous equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -5 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}} \quad (3)$$

$A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

whose solution always exists.

Note that

$$\text{solution set of (3)} = \underline{\underline{\ker(T_A)}}$$

which is closed under *scalar product* and *addition*. From here, one can see the importance of vector spaces and linear maps in the study of linear systems.

## Linear maps, vectors and linear systems

linear maps	vectors	linear system
$T_A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ $\vec{b} \in \text{im}(T_A)$ $T_A$ is onto $T_A$ is one-to-one $\ker T_A$ $\dim \text{im } T_A$ $\dim \ker T_A = \cancel{n} - \text{rank } A$	column vectors of $A$ $\vec{b} \in \text{span}(\text{columns})$ $\text{span}(\text{columns}) = \mathbb{R}^m$ linear indep columns  $\dim \text{span}(\text{columns})$	$A$ is an $m \times n$ matrix $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has a sol $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has a sol $\forall \vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has a unique sol sol set of $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ rank $A$ (computable) size of sol set of $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

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# Success of Linear Algebra

Satisfactory answers to the 3 fundamental questions:

- theoretical aspect: the table
- computational aspect: row reduction algorithm

Relation between linear maps and matrices:

- By a **basis**.
- Matrix techniques apply to linear maps.

Linear Algebra is the foundation of other math theories:

- Advanced Calculus: **total differential = linear-map approximation** of the map around a point.  
Differentiation: apply Linear Algebra to study local behaviors.
- Differential Geometry: study complicated spaces by vector spaces + gluing techniques
- Abstract Algebra: modules, algebras, etc.
- Applied Math: apply matrices to many problems (e.g. algorithms, probabilities, graphs, etc.)
- and more.....

# Main topics of the course

Main topic: **tensor products** and the relevant topics.

Other topics: several important **constructions of vector spaces, modules, algebras and matrix-valued functions.**

Tensor product:

- important in Algebra, Geometry, Physics, etc.
- **universal property** = a kind of generalization of basis