

Math 2270-1

Monday 10/3

§ 4.1-4.3

Recall the abstract idea of a linear space (vector space).

And the tree we will follow in developing these ideas

- Friday notes page 1.

We had an example to do from the last page of Friday's notes, here it is repeated and expanded:

Example Let $\mathbb{P}_2 := \{p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 \text{ s.t. } a_i \in \mathbb{R}\} \subset \mathbb{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$

(you can define \mathbb{P}_n , the subspace of polynomials of degree $\leq n$ similarly)

• Show \mathbb{P}_2 is a subspace of $\mathbb{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$

• Is the collection of polynomials of degree exactly two a subspace of $\mathbb{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$?

• Show $\{1, x, x^2\}$ is a basis of \mathbb{P}_2
" \mathcal{B}

• Is $\{1+x, 1+x^2, x+x^2\} = \mathcal{C}$ another basis of \mathbb{P}_2 ?

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• Let $p(x) = x^2$.

Find the coords $[p(x)]_{\mathcal{B}}$, also $[p(x)]_{\mathcal{C}}$

• Is $\{1+x, 1+x^2, x+x^2, 1+x+x^2\}$ a basis for \mathbb{P}_2 ?

Hint: Use the basis $\mathcal{B} = \{1, x, x^2\}$ and take coordinates of the linear dependence/independence equation

$$c_1(1+x) + c_2(1+x^2) + c_3(x+x^2) + c_4(1+x+x^2) = 0$$

On page 2 we used the important fact that taking coordinates is a "linear" operation:

Theorem: Let $B = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ be a basis for V . Then $\forall \vec{u}, \vec{v} \in V, k \in \mathbb{R}$

$$[\vec{u} + \vec{v}]_B = [\vec{u}]_B + [\vec{v}]_B$$

$$[k\vec{u}]_B = k[\vec{u}]_B$$

proof:

Example: Find a basis for $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \text{ s.t. } a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}, \begin{matrix} 1 \leq i \leq 2 \\ 1 \leq j \leq 2 \end{matrix} \right\}$.

• Let $W \subset \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$, $W := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \text{ s.t. } a_{12} + a_{21} = 0 \right\}$

• Show W is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$

• Find a basis for W .



Def: the linear space V has (finite) dimension n iff
 V has a basis $\mathcal{B} = \{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n\}$ with n elements

It is a general principle that if V is n -dim'l then when you translate questions about vectors into statements about their \mathcal{B} -coordinates, then it's just like working in \mathbb{R}^n :

for example

Thm If $\dim(V) = n < \infty$, then any collection of $N > n$ vectors is dependent

proof: let $S = \{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_N\}$ $N > n$

A linear combo

$$c_1 g_1 + c_2 g_2 + \dots + c_N g_N = 0$$

iff the analogous coordinate statement is true ($\mathcal{B} = \{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n\}$)

$$[c_1 g_1 + c_2 g_2 + \dots + c_N g_N]_{\mathcal{B}} = [0]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

iff $c_1 [g_1]_{\mathcal{B}} + c_2 [g_2]_{\mathcal{B}} + \dots + c_N [g_N]_{\mathcal{B}} = \vec{0}$ } this is a homogeneous system of n eqns with N unknowns, $N > n$, so has non-trivial sol's.

Thm If $\dim(V) = n < \infty$ then no collection of $N < n$ vectors can span V

proof: let $S = \{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_N\}$ $N < n$, $\mathcal{B} = \{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n\}$.

Can we always find x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N s.t.

$$x_1 g_1 + x_2 g_2 + \dots + x_N g_N = f = b_1 f_1 + b_2 f_2 + \dots + b_n f_n \quad ?$$

iff $[]_{\mathcal{B}} = []_{\mathcal{B}}$

$$\text{iff } x_1 [g_1]_{\mathcal{B}} + x_2 [g_2]_{\mathcal{B}} + \dots + x_N [g_N]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$A_{n \times N} \vec{x} = \vec{b}$ can't be solved $\forall \vec{b}$ because $n > N$

(the span of the $[g]$ -coords in \mathbb{R}^n is at most N dim'l!)

Exam 1 Score Distribution

n=29

