

Recall: The vectors  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$  form a basis of  $V$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  when:

- (i)  $V = \text{span}(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m)$  and
- (ii)  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$  are linearly independent.

Theorem: Let  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$  be vectors in  $V$ . Then they are a basis if and only if

every  $\vec{v} \in V$  can be written uniquely as a linear combination:

$$\vec{v} = \underbrace{c_1}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{coordinates of } \vec{v} \\ \text{with respect to } \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m}} \cdot \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_m \cdot \vec{v}_m$$

Example:  $\mathbb{R}^n$  has basis  $\vec{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $\vec{e}_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{coordinates of } \vec{v} \text{ in terms of the basis } \vec{e}_1, \dots, \vec{e}_n.$$

Note: For  $V$  a subspace, a spanning set of  $V$  will be larger (i.e. will have more (or equal) elements) than a basis of  $V$ .

Two different basis of  $V$  will have the same number of vectors.

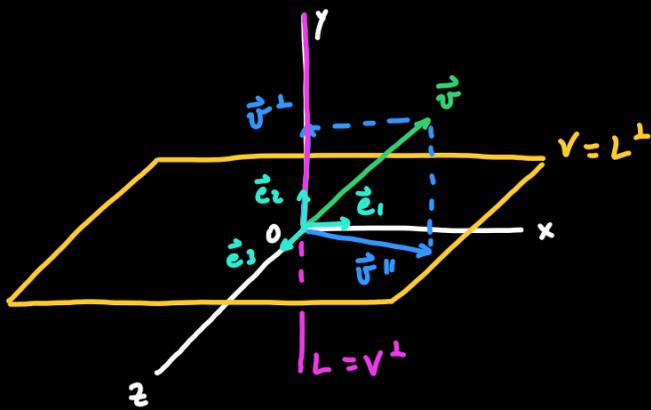
Theorem: Let  $V$  be a subspace with a basis  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$ . We say that  $V$  has

dimension  $m$ . Then:

(i) There are at most  $m$  linearly independent vectors in  $V$ .

(ii) We need at least  $m$  vectors to span  $V$ .  $V = \text{span}(\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_j)$

Example: Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a projection onto the plane  $V$ .



$\text{im}(T) = V$  so  $V = \text{span}(\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2)$   
 two non-parallel vectors in  $V$   
 so  $\dim(V) = 2$ .

$\text{Ker}(T) = L$  so  $L = \text{span}(\vec{u})$   
 vector perpendicular to  $V$

Note:  $\dim(\text{im}(T)) + \dim(\text{Ker}(T)) = \overbrace{3}^{\text{source has dimension 3}}$

so  $\dim(L) = 1$  to  $V$

$\dim(\text{im}(T)) + \dim(\text{Ker}(T)) = \text{dimension of "source"}$

Theorem: (Rank-Nullity) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix, then:

$$\underline{\dim(\text{im}(A))} + \underline{\dim(\text{Ker}(A))} = n$$

We call  $\dim(\text{Ker}(A))$  the nullity of  $A$ :

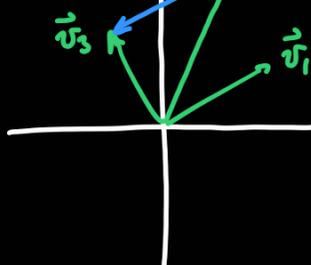
$$\underline{(\text{rank } A)} + \underline{(\text{nullity of } A)} = n$$

Theorem: Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix.

(i) To construct a basis of  $\text{im}(A)$ , we pick the columns of  $A$  corresponding to the columns of  $\text{rref}(A)$  having leading ones.

(ii) The columns of  $A$  corresponding to columns of  $\text{rref}(A)$  that do not contain leading ones can be used to find a basis of  $\text{Ker}(A)$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\vec{v}_1 \\ \vec{v}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\vec{v}_3 = \vec{v}_2 - \vec{v}_1$$

$$\mathbb{R}^2 = \text{span}(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3) = \text{span}(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2)$$

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{ref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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columns with leading 1s.

So column 1 and column 4 will be a basis of the image:

$$\text{im}(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Moreover:

$$\text{ref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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columns without leading 1s

So columns 2, 3, 5 are redundant.

$$\vec{v}_2 = 2 \cdot \vec{v}_1 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad -2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 = 0 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{in } \ker(A)$$

$$\vec{v}_3 = 0 \cdot \vec{v}_1 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \vec{v}_3 = 0 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{in } \ker(A)$$

$$\vec{v}_5 = 1 \cdot \vec{v}_1 + 1 \cdot \vec{v}_4 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad -\vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_4 + \vec{v}_5 = 0 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{in } \ker(A)$$

Finally:

$$\ker(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$