

# Chapter : Dimension of vector spaces.

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Definition: Dimension of vector space,  $\text{Dim}(V) = |B|$   
where  $B$  is a basis of  $V$ .

Remark: ① Let  $V$  be the zero vector space.

Then  $B_V = \emptyset$ , and therefore

$$\text{Dim}(V) = |B_V| = 0$$

② Let  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  be any two basis of  $V$ . Then  $|B_1| = |B_2|$ .

## Some Rules and Properties

11 Let  $S$  be a set of vectors such that  $0 \in S$ .  
Then  $S$  is linear dependent  $\Rightarrow S$  is not a basis.

12 Let  $S$  be a set of vectors such that there exists a vector in  $S$  can be written as the linear combination of the remain vectors in  $S$ . Then  $S$  is linear dependent  $\Rightarrow S$  is not basis.

Also, If  $S$  is linear dependent then there is a vector can be written as Linear combination of the remain vectors in  $S$ .

Example:  $\{(0,1), (3,5)\}$  is Linear independent because  $(0,1) \neq \lambda(3,5)$  and  $(3,5) \neq \alpha(0,1)$

13 The basis of a vector space is existed and is not necessary to be unique.

\* Standard (or natural) basis of some known vector spaces :

1)  $B_{R^2} = \{(1,0), (0,1)\} \Rightarrow \text{Dim}(R^2) = 2$

2)  $B_{R^3} = \{(1,0,0), (0,1,0), (0,0,1)\} \Rightarrow \text{Dim}(R^3) = 3$

3)  $B_{P_1} = \{1, x\} \Rightarrow \text{Dim}(P_1) = 2$

4)  $B_{P_2} = \{1, x, x^2\} \Rightarrow \text{Dim}(P_2) = 3$

5)  $B_{M_2} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{Dim}(M_2) = 4$

(Ex) Let  $M = \{(x, y, z) : 2x - y + z = 0\}$ . It is easy to prove that  $M$  is vector subspace of  $R^3$ . Find  $\text{Dim}(M)$ ?

Solution : Notice that  $(a, b, c) \in M$  iff  $(a, b, c)$  is a solution of  $2x - y + z = 0$ .

Now,

$2x - y + z = 0$  is a (1) equation in (3) variables  $\Rightarrow$  there are  $\infty$  many solutions  $\Rightarrow$  the solution can be written by (2) parameters.

Let  $x = s$  and  $y = t \Rightarrow z = t - 2s$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } M &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} s \\ t \\ t-2s \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} s \\ 0 \\ -2s \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ t \\ t \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Basis So,  $\boxed{\{(1,0,-2), (0,1,1)\}}$  spans  $M$  and

$$\begin{aligned} (1,0,-2) &\neq \lambda(0,1,1) \\ (0,1,1) &\neq \alpha(1,0,-2) \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \boxed{\{(1,0,-2), (0,1,1)\}}$$

is Linear independent.

Example: Let  $M = \{a+bx+cx^2+dx^3 : a+b=c-2d=0\}$ . [3]  
 $M \neq P_3(\mathbb{R})$ . Find the basis of  $M$ ?

Solution: Notice that

$$a+b=0 \Rightarrow a=-b$$

$$c-2d=0 \Rightarrow c=2d$$

So, any polynomial in  $M$  can be written as:

$$-b + bx + 2dx^2 + dx^3$$

Now

$$b(-1+x) + d(2x^2+x^3)$$

Let

$$V = \{-1+x, 2x^2+x^3\}$$

clear that ①  $V$  spans  $M$ .

②  $V$  is linearly indep (why)

Hence,  $V$  is a basis of  $M$  and

$$\dim(M) = 2$$

### \*Some Rules:

① Let  $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  spans the vector space  $V$ .

If  $S = \{c_1, \dots, c_m\}$  is linearly indep in  $V$  then

$$|S| \leq |B|$$

(ex) Let  $\dim(V) = 3$  and  $S$  be set of vectors where  $|S|=4 \Rightarrow S$

is linear dependent (since  $|S| > \dim(V)$ ).

(2) Let  $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be a basis of  $V$ . If  $v$  is a vector in  $V \Rightarrow v = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n$ . The  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is called the coordinate of  $v$ , which is unique.

Example:  $B = \{(1, 3), (0, 1)\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Find the coordinate of  $(2, 5)$ ?

solution

Suppose that

$$(2, 5) = a(1, 3) + b(0, 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = 2 \\ 3a + b = 5 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = 2 \\ b = -1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow (2, -1) \text{ is the coordinate of } (2, 5) \text{ respect to the basis } B.$$

(3) If  $|S| = \dim(V)$  and  $S$  spans  $V \Rightarrow S$  is a basis.

(4) If  $|S| = \dim(V)$  and  $S$  is linear independent  $\Rightarrow S$  is a basis.

(5) Let  $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be linear indep where  $|S| < \dim(V) = m$ . Then there exists  $v_{n+1}, \dots, v_m$  s.t.  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n, v_{n+1}, \dots, v_m\}$  is a basis of  $V$ .

Rule: If  $M \supset V$  then  $\dim(M) \leq \dim(V)$ . (5)

## \*\* Coordinates and change of basis:

Let  $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be a basis of  $V$ .  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is called the coordinate of  $v$  if

$$v = a_1 v_1 + \frac{a_2}{2} v_2 + \dots + \frac{a_n}{n} v_n$$

we write:

$$[v]_B = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$$

Example:  $B = \{(1,2), (-1,4)\}$  is a basis of

$R^2$ . Find  $[ (5,6) ]_B$ ?

Solution

$$\text{Let } (5,6) = a(1,2) + b(-1,4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a - b = 5 \\ 2a + 4b = 6 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5b = -4 \Rightarrow b = -\frac{4}{5}$$

$$a = \frac{13}{3}$$

$$\therefore [ (5,6) ]_B = \frac{13}{3}, -\frac{4}{5}$$

Example:  $\{v_1 = 3, v_2 = -1+x, v_3 = x^2\}$  is a basis of  $P_2(R)$ . Find  $[1-x^2]_B$ ?

Solution: Suppose that

$$1-x^2 = a v_1 + b v_2 + c v_3$$

$$= (a3) + (-b+bx) + cx^2$$

$$= (3a-b) + bx + cx^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 3a - b = 1 \\ b = 0 \\ c = -1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \boxed{a = \frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\text{Hence } [1-x^2]_B = \left(\frac{1}{3}, 0, -1\right)$$

## Transmission matrix:

Suppose  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are two basis of  $V$ . In the next example we will show how to find the transmission matrix from basis to another.

(Ex) Let  $S = \{(2,1), (0,3)\}$  and  $S^* = \{(-1,0), (3,1)\}$  be two basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Write the transmission matrix from  $S$  into  $S^*$ ?

Solution

STEP 1 we will find  $[(2,1)]_{S^*}$

$$\text{suppose } (2,1) = a(-1,0) + b(3,1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} -a + 3b = 2 \\ 3b = 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} b = 1/3 \\ a = -1 \end{cases}$$

$$[(2,1)]_{S^*} = (-1, 1/3)$$

STEP 2 we will find  $[(0,3)]_{S^*}$

$$\text{suppose } (0,3) = a(-1,0) + b(3,1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} -a + 3b = 0 \\ 3b = 3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} b = 1 \\ a = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$[(0,3)]_{S^*} = (3,1)$$

STEP 3

the transmission matrix from  $S$  into  $S^*$  =  $P = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1/3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Rule Let  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  be two basis of  $V$ . Then

$$[v]_{B_2} = P \cdot [v]_{B_1}$$

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Example Let  $X = (1, 2, -1)$  the coordinate vector of  $v$  with respect to the basis  $S = \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, -x, 2x^2 \right\}$ . Find  $v$ .

If  $P_{S^*S} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , find  $[v]_{S^*}$  ?

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} v &= 1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 2(-x) + (-1)(2x^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} - 2x - 2x^2. \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} [v]_{S^*} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} [v]_S \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Example : Let  $S = \{(2, 1), (0, 3)\}$  be a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

If  $S^* = \{A_1, A_2\}$  is another basis such that

$$P_{S^*S} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{-2}{\sqrt{5}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix}$$

find  $S^*$  ?

solution : Let  $A_1 = (a, b)$   $A_2 = (c, d)$ . From the definition of  $P_{S^*S}$ , we get

$$\begin{cases} (2, 1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}(a, b) - \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}(c, d) \\ (0, 3) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}(a, b) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}(c, d) \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}a - \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}c = 2 & \text{--- (1)} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}b - \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}d = 1 & \text{--- (2)} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}a + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}c = 0 & \text{--- (3)} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}b + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}d = 3 & \text{--- (4)} \end{cases}$$

we can solve  
(1) and (3) together  
(2) and (4) together

$$\Rightarrow A_1 = \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}} \right)$$

$$A_2 = \left( \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right)$$

## Rules

① Let  $s^*s$  and  $s's^*$ , then

$$s^*s = s's^* \cdot s's$$

② If  $s^*s$  then  $(s^*s)^{-1} = s's^*$

## \*\* Rank of matrix

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Def : Rank of matrix,  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{Dim of the subspace spanned by columns of } A = \text{the maximal number of linearly independent columns of } A.$

For example:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\text{rank}(A)=2$  because  $\{(1, -2, 3), (0, 1, 3)\}$  is linearly independent and  $(1, 1, 0) = 2(1, -2, 3) - 1(0, 1, 3)$  (Linear combination).

Rule  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^t).$

## \*\* Finding rank of matrix from Row-Echelon form:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} 2R_1 + R_2 \\ -3R_1 + R_3 \end{array}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 + R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Row-Echelon  
form  
number of non  
zero rows = 2  
 $\Rightarrow \text{rank}(A) = 2$

Rule

- ① Let size(A) =  $m \times n$  where  $m < n$ , so  $\text{rank}(A) \leq m$
- ② Let size(A) =  $m \times n$  where  $n < m$ , so  $\text{rank}(A) \leq n$

(Ex) Find  $\text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}\right)$

\* null space of a matrix A.

The null space of any matrix A is the set of all vectors B s.t.  $AB=0$  (i.e. the set of all solutions of the system  $AX=0$ ).

\* nullity of a matrix A-

It is the number of vectors which are considered as a basis of the null space of a matrix A (i.e.  $\text{nullity}(A) = \text{Dim}(V)$  where  $V$  is the null space of A)

\* Rank-Nullity Theorem:

$\text{Nullity}(A) + \text{rank}(A) = \text{The Number of Columns}$

\* Remark

$$\text{Nullity}(A^t) = \text{Nullity}(A).$$