

# 1B03 - LINEAR ALGEBRA 1 <sup>(CO1)</sup> WS19 Lecture 30

Recall A collection  $S = \{\bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_r\}$  of vectors in  $V$

- spans  $V$  (or a subspace  $W$ ) if every vector  $\bar{v}$  in  $V$  (resp.  $W$ ) can be written as  $k_1\bar{v}_1 + \dots + k_r\bar{v}_r = \bar{v}$ .
- is linearly independent if the only choice of scalars  $k_1, \dots, k_r$  with  $k_1\bar{v}_1 + \dots + k_r\bar{v}_r = \bar{0}$  is  $k_1 = \dots = k_r = 0$ .

Today Coordinates e.g.  $(3, -1, 2) = \underline{3}\bar{e}_1 + \underline{(-1)}\bar{e}_2 + \underline{2}\bar{e}_3$

Definitions A set of vectors  $S$  in a vector space  $V$

is a basis for  $V$  if (1)  $\text{span}(S) = V$

(2)  $S$  is linearly independent

and a basis

If  $S = \{\bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_n\}$  is finite, and  $\bar{v} \in V$  is written

$$\bar{v} = c_1\bar{v}_1 + \dots + c_n\bar{v}_n, \text{ then}$$

$(c_1, \dots, c_n) = (\bar{v})_S$  is the coordinate vector of  $\bar{v}$  relative to (w with respect to)  $S$ . Lies in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

If we had  $c_1\bar{v}_1 + \dots + c_n\bar{v}_n = d_1\bar{v}_1 + \dots + d_n\bar{v}_n = \bar{v}$   
i.e. potentially two different coordinate vectors

$$\text{then } (c_1 - d_1)\bar{v}_1 + \dots + (c_n - d_n)\bar{v}_n = \bar{0}$$

$\Rightarrow c_i - d_i = 0$  as  $S$  is linearly independent.

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Examples •  $\{\bar{e}_1, \dots, \bar{e}_n\}$  is the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\text{Hoe } \bar{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_n) = v_1 \bar{e}_1 + \dots + v_n \bar{e}_n$$

i.e.  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are the coordinates wrt  $\bar{e}_1, \dots, \bar{e}_n$  of  $\bar{v}$

•  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^d\}$  is the standard basis for  $\mathcal{P}_d$ .

(we already saw it spans  $\mathcal{P}_d$  & is lin. independent.)

A polynomial  $a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_d x^d$  has coordinate vector  $(a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_d) \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$  wrt  $\{1, x, \dots, x^d\}$ .

•  $V = M_{mn}(\mathbb{R})$  has standard basis the  $m \cdot n$ -many matrices each with a 1 in a different entry & zeros everywhere else.

e.g. for  $M_{22}(\mathbb{R})$ :  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

Example Show that  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Solution A linear combination of vectors in  $S$  looks

like

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix}}_{\bar{c}} = A\bar{c}$$

- To say " $S$  spans  $\mathbb{R}^3$ " is to say "every  $\bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  can be written as a linear comb. of vectors in  $S$ "  
i.e. "for every  $\bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  there is a solution  $\bar{c} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  to  $A\bar{c} = \bar{b}$ "
- To say " $S$  lin. independent" is to say "the only solution  $\bar{c} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  to  $A\bar{c} = \bar{0}$  is  $\bar{c} = \bar{0}$ "

Since  $A$  is square these two statements are equivalent to saying " $A$  invertible"

So check  $\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -4 \neq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow A$  invertible  
 $\Rightarrow S$  basis.

Example show that  $S = \{1+x, x+x^2, x^2\}$  is a basis for  $P_2$  and find the coordinates of  $5-3x+x^2$  relative to  $S$ .

Solution Linear comb. of vectors in  $S$ :

$$\underbrace{c_1(1+x) + c_2(x+x^2) + c_3x^2}_{\uparrow}$$

Set this =  $a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cancel{a_3x^3}$

Compare coeffs:

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 + (c_1+c_2)x + (c_2+c_3)x^2 \\ = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 \end{aligned}$$

i.e.  $\left. \begin{aligned} c_1 &= a_0 \\ c_1 + c_2 &= a_1 \\ c_2 + c_3 &= a_2 \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}$

To check  $S$  is a basis need to check

- $\text{span}(S) = P_2$  i.e. for any choice of  $a_i$ 's, there is a solution to this system

- $S$  lin. indep. i.e. if  $a_i = 0$  for all  $i$ , the only solution is  $c_j = 0$  for all  $j$

i.e. again, since  $A$  is square, check if  $A$  invertible:  
 $\det(A) = 1 \neq 0$ . So yes,  $S$  is a basis.

To write  $5 - 3x + 2x^2$  relative to  $S$ , need to solve above system in this special case i.e.

$$A \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  row reduce  $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 10 \end{array} \right]$  i.e.  $c_1 = 5$   
 $c_2 = -8$   
 $c_3 = 10$

$$\text{So } 5 - 3x + 2x^2 = 5(1+x) - 8(x+x^2) + 10x^2$$

$$\& (5 - 3x + 2x^2)_S = (5, -8, 10).$$

Note In such questions, we end up with  $A$  square: explanation to follow in 4.5.

But first:

### 6.3 Gram-Schmidt Process

Example Find the coordinate vector of  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$  wrt

the following basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Solution Above method: row reduce

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ \vdots & -2 & 1 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 7 \end{array} \right] \rightsquigarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{i.e. } \left( \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \right)_S = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{i.e. } \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

But notice:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2 - 2 = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = -1 + 1 = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = -2 - 2 + 4 = 0$$

### Definitions

When the vectors in a set  $S = \{\bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_r\}$

satisfy  $\bar{v}_j \cdot \bar{v}_i = 0$  for  $j \neq i$ , we call

$S$  an orthogonal set.

- If  $S$  is also a basis, we call  $S$  an orthogonal basis
- If all  $\bar{v}_i$  are unit vectors, we call  $S$  an orthonormal set/basis.