

# 1ZC3 ENGINEERING MATH II-B (Linear Algebra I)

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

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

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

(2)  $S$  is linearly independent

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

is written  $\bar{v} = c_1 \bar{v}_1 + \dots + c_n \bar{v}_n$  then

$c_1, \dots, c_n$  are called the coordinates of  $\bar{v}$  relative

to  $S$  (or wrt  $S$ ) &  $(\bar{v})_S = (c_1, \dots, c_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

is the coordinate vector of  $\bar{v}$  relative to  $S$ .



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

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

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

Example In  $\mathbb{R}^n$  the standard basis is

$$\{\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2, \dots, \bar{e}_n\}.$$

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

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

Example In  $P_d$ ,  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^d\}$  is the standard basis for  $P_d$ .

- We already showed  $\text{span} = P_d$  & linear independence

- A polynomial  $a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_d x^d$  has coordinates  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_d$  wrt the standard basis.

Example In  $M_{mn}(\mathbb{R})$  there is a standard basis: the  $m \cdot n$ -many  $\begin{matrix} m \times n \\ \text{matrices} \end{matrix}$  with a 1 in one

entry & rest zeros

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

Spans: take  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \dots$

Lin. Ind.: exercise!

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

Solution A linear comb. of these vectors:

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

So: • "set spans  $\mathbb{R}^3$ " is the same as

"for every  $\bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , we can write  $\bar{b}$  as  $A\bar{c}$ "

i.e. "for every  $\bar{b}$ , there is  $\bar{c} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  with  $A\bar{c} = \bar{b}$ "

linear comb.



- "set linearly independent" is the same as "the only solution for  $\bar{c}$  to  $A\bar{c} = \bar{0}$  is  $\bar{c} = \bar{0}$ "

Both of these are true <sup>exactly</sup> when  $A$  is invertible (notice:  $A$  square)

So check  $\det(A) = 0$  or not:

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -4 \neq 0 \text{ so } A \text{ invertible so the set is a basis.}$$

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

Solution Linear comb. of vectors in  $S$ :

$$c_1(1+x) + c_2(x+x^2) + c_3x^2$$

$$\text{Set this} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

$$\text{We get } c_1 + (c_1+c_2)x + (c_2+c_3)x^2$$

i.e. want  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  with

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &= a_0 \\ c_1 + c_2 &= a_1 \\ c_2 + c_3 &= a_2 \end{aligned}$$

In matrix form: 
$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix}}_{\bar{c}} = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- "Span(S) =  $P_2$ " = "for any choice of  $a_0, a_1, a_2$  we have a solution for  $\bar{c}$ "
- "S lin. independent" = "the only solution to  $A\bar{c} = \bar{0}$  is  $\bar{c} = \bar{0}$ "

So again S is a basis iff A is invertible

$$\det(A) = 1 \neq 0 \rightarrow A \text{ invertible.}$$

To write  $5 - 3x + x^2$  in terms of S,

we solve for  $\bar{c}$  in  $A\bar{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

i.e. row reduce  $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightsquigarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 9 \end{array} \right]$

So  $c_1 = 5, c_2 = -8, c_3 = 9$

$$(5 - 3x + x^2)_S = (5, -8, 9) \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

$$5 - 3x + x^2 = 5(1+x) - 8(x+x^2) + 9x^2$$

Move on bases later but first:

## 6.3 Gram-Schmidt Process

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

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

Method so far: row reduce

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

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

$$\text{So } \left( \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \right)_S = (3, -1, 2)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

But notice what happens when we take dot products of the vectors in  $S$  . . .