# Subspace

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- A vector set V is called a subspace if it has the following three properties:
- 1. The zero vector **0** belongs to V
- 2. If u and w belong to V, then u+w belongs to V

Closed under (vector) addition

• 3. If **u** belongs to V, and c is a scalar, then c**u** belongs to V

Closed under scalar multiplication

2+3 is linear combination

## Examples

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^3 : 6w_1 - 5w_2 + 4w_3 = 0 \right\}$$
 Subspace?

Property 1. 
$$\mathbf{0} \in W$$
  $\mathbf{6}(0) - 5(0) + 4(0) = 0$ 

Property 2. 
$$\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in W \Rightarrow \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \in W$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix}^T, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{bmatrix}^T \quad \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 & u_2 + v_1 & u_3 + v_1 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$6(u_1 + v_1) - 5(u_2 + v_2) + 4(u_3 + v_3)$$

$$= (6u_1 - 5u_2 + 4u_3) + (6v_1 - 5v_2 + 4v_3) = 0 + 0 = 0$$

Property 3.  $\mathbf{u} \in W \Rightarrow c\mathbf{u} \in W$ 

$$6(cu_1) - 5(cu_2) + 4(cu_3) = c(6u_1 - 5u_2 + 4u_3) = c0 = 0$$

## Examples

$$V = \{c\mathbf{w} \mid c \in \mathbb{R}\} \quad \text{Subspace?}$$

$$S_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^2 : w_1 \ge 0 \text{ and } w_2 \ge 0 \right\}$$

$$\text{Subspace?} \quad \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{S}_1, \, \mathbf{u} \ne \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow -\mathbf{u} \notin \mathbf{S}_1$$

$$S_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^2 : w_1^2 = w_2^2 \right\}$$

$$\text{Subspace?} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in S_2 \text{ but } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \notin S_2$$

R<sup>n</sup> Subspace?

**{O}** Subspace? zero subspace

## Subspace v.s. Span

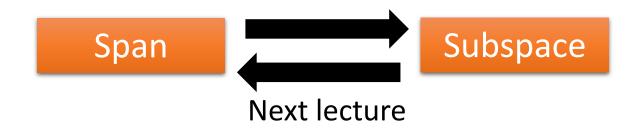
The span of a vector set is a subspace

Let 
$$S = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_k\}$$
  $V = Span S$ 

Property 1.  $\mathbf{0} \in V$ 

Property 2.  $u, v \in V, u + v \in V$ 

Property 3.  $u \in V$ ,  $cu \in V$ 



## Column Space and Row Space

 Column space of a matrix A is the span of its columns. It is denoted as Col A.

$$A \in \mathcal{R}^{m \times n} \Rightarrow \text{Col } A = \{A\mathbf{v} : \mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{R}^n\}$$

If matrix A represents a function

Col A is the range of the function

 Row space of a matrix A is the span of its rows. It is denoted as Row A.

Row 
$$A = \text{Col } A^T$$

## Column Space = Range

 The range of a linear transformation is the same as the column space of its matrix.

#### **Linear Transformation**

$$T\left(\begin{array}{c|c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{array}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 - x_4 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 - 8x_4 \\ 2x_3 + 6x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Standard matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{Range of } T =$$

$$\text{Span } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

### **RREF**

- Original Matrix A v.s. its RREF R
  - Columns:
    - The relations between the columns are the same.
    - The span of the columns are different.

$$Col A \neq Col R$$

- Rows:
  - The relations between the rows are changed.
  - The span of the rows are the same.

$$Row A = Row R$$

### Consistent

Ax = b have solution (consistent)

b is the linear combination of columns of A

b is in the span of the columns of A

b is in Col A

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Col } A? \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Col } A?$$

Solving Ax = u

 $RREF([A u]) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} RREF([A v]) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -4 & 0.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 1.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Solving Ax = v

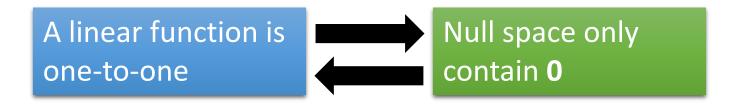
## Null Space

 The null space of a matrix A is the solution set of Ax=0. It is denoted as Null A.

Null 
$$A = \{ v \in R^n : Av = 0 \}$$

The solution set of the homogeneous linear equations  $A\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ .

Null A is a subspace



## Null Space - Example

$$T: \mathcal{R}^3 \to \mathcal{R}^2 \text{ with } T\left( \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 \\ -x_1 + x_2 - 3x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find a generating set for the null space of T.

The null space of T is the set of solutions to Ax = 0

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= x_2 \\ x_1 &= x_2 \\ x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

a generating set for the null space