

Short Answer: Most fundamental subsets: lines, planes, etc. passing through origin.

Do examples (subspace generated by vector, \mathbb{R}^n itself,) , non-examples (e.g. unit circle in \mathbb{R}^2)
solns to eqn.

LECTURE 1 STOPPED HERE!

Question 2: Our ~~intuition~~ ^{geometric} intuition for $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$ presumes choice of mutually perpendicular vectors

Call them $\vec{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, ... $\vec{e}_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Any vector in \mathbb{R}^n is a linear combination of $\vec{e}_1, \dots, \vec{e}_n$

Call this a "basis" of space \mathbb{R}^n

and no smaller subset of \vec{e}_i have

Talk much more about this later,

but for now I'll use this terminology for

lin. comb. that give all vectors in \mathbb{R}^n

$\{\vec{e}_1, \dots, \vec{e}_n\}$. "standard basis"

At last, very interesting question: How to find bases for a given subset of \mathbb{R}^n ? Even more subtle:

How to find good bases for one's purposes? ("good" depends on context.)

Central idea of differential calculus:

approximate (smooth) functions locally by lines.

Generalize this to \mathbb{R}^n . First think about how we defined lines in one-variable calculus.

What are the natural class of maps between $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$?

Not just sets. Have structure (can add vectors, multiply by scalars)
"vector space"

So maps should respect this structure. (VERY COMMON THEME IN MATHEMATICS!)

More precisely, maps $l: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ should satisfy

(a) $l(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = l(\vec{u}) + l(\vec{v})$ any $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

(b) $l(c \cdot \vec{u}) = c \cdot l(\vec{u})$ $c \in \mathbb{R}, u \in \mathbb{R}^n$

call these maps "linear transformations".

If we set $\vec{u} = \vec{v} = \vec{0}$ in (a)
get $l(\vec{0}) = 2l(\vec{0})$
so $l(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$.

Plan: use linear transformations to ~~express~~ express
derivatives of functions from $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$.

one consequence: takes subspaces to subspaces.

~~Why is this the right set of criteria?~~

We show that any linear transformation is encoded by matrix:

Any vector $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ can be written as $c_1 \vec{e}_1 + \dots + c_n \vec{e}_n$ where \vec{e}_i : std. basis $\left[\begin{matrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{matrix} \right]$ (1 in the i^{th} position) some $c_i \in \mathbb{R}$.

then using properties of linearity @ and b),

$$l(\vec{v}) = l(c_1 \vec{e}_1 + \dots + c_n \vec{e}_n) = c_1 l(\vec{e}_1) + \dots + c_n l(\vec{e}_n)$$

so determined by $l(\vec{e}_1), \dots, l(\vec{e}_n) \in \mathbb{R}^m$

Shorthand: make matrix A whose columns are $l(\vec{e}_i) := \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,i} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m,i} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ l(\vec{e}_1) & \dots & l(\vec{e}_n) \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{an } m \times n \text{ array of real numbers}$$

Define $A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} l(\vec{e}_1) \cdot c_1 + \dots + l(\vec{e}_n) \cdot c_n$ so that

$$l(\vec{v}) \text{ with } \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ is given by } A \cdot \vec{v}.$$

Can expand right-hand side in definition; by doing the component-wise addition:

$$l(\vec{e}_1) \cdot c_1 + \dots + l(\vec{e}_n) \cdot c_n = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1}c_1 + \dots + a_{1,n}c_n \\ \vdots \\ a_{m,1}c_1 + \dots + a_{m,n}c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

and this is more familiar rule for multiplying matrix and a vector.

Given matrix, similarly use its column vectors to define linear transformation,

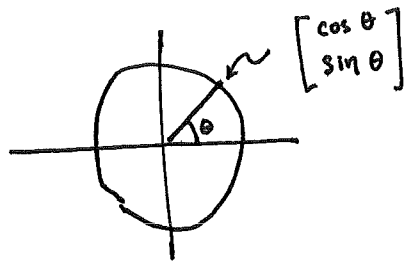
so upshot: linear transforms: $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ \longleftrightarrow matrices of size m rows, n columns. 1-1 correspondence

For example, if $l: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $l(\vec{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $l(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$
 then $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $l\left(\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$.

This gives us idea for how to determine matrix of important geometric linear transformations. e.g. rigid motions of plane - rotations, reflections

e.g. If want to rotate by θ in \mathbb{R}^2 , then $\vec{e}_1 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}$

using familiar coordinates on unit circle:



$$\vec{e}_2 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta + \pi/2) \\ \sin(\theta + \pi/2) \end{bmatrix}$$

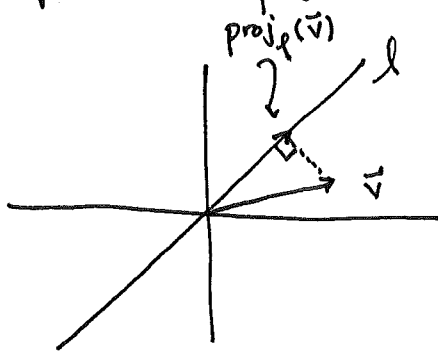
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$$\begin{bmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

WARNING: only allowed to do this if we know in advance that the transformation is linear. Book argues this geometrically, since we're starting with geometric transformation. E.g. rotation/preservation reflection

parallelogram with vertices $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{0}, \vec{u} + \vec{v}$

What about projection to a line in \mathbb{R}^2 ? Is it linear?



Simple example: projection to x-axis

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now compose (!) with rotation.

This is linear. Matrix is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ (check directly or note)