

## Lecture 5

- \* 3.1: Image and kernel
- \* 3.2: Subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ : Bases and linear independence
- \* 3.3: The dimension of a subspace

We begin with an example, to remind ourselves of the definition of image and kernel.

**Example:** Suppose a camera records colors using

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Brightness}(\vec{x}) = R + G + B$$

Black and white filter:

$$T: \begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} R+G+B \\ R+G+B \\ R+G+B \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Every output is a multiple of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Image:  $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

kernel:  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix} : R+G+B=0 \right\}$

- An actual image is a list of vectors  $\vec{x}_i$  where each  $\vec{x}_i$  is a pixel.
- The actual filter is therefore a block matrix, with a block for each pixel.

### Properties of Image/kernel

- \* Both contain  $\{\vec{0}\}$
- \* closed under addition
- \* closed under scalar multiplication

explain.

**Def:** A subset  $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is called a linear subspace if

1.  $\{\vec{0}\} \in W$
2. closed under addition
3. closed under scalar multiplication.

**Example:** Subspace or not?

- $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \right\}$
- Prove: The only subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , lines,  $\{\vec{0}\}$ .
- Plane:  $x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$   
Find  $A$  s.t.  $\ker(A) = \text{plane}$   
Find  $B$  s.t.  $\text{im}(B) = \text{plane}$



Recall def of span.

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $\vec{v}_i = \text{col vectors}$ .

Note:  $\vec{v}_2 = 2\vec{v}_1$  and  $\vec{v}_4 = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_3$

Image: span  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3\}$

Def: Consider  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

\* We say  $\vec{v}_i$  is redundant if  $\vec{v}_i$  is a linear combination of  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_{i-1}$ .

\* The set is linearly independent if none are redundant.

\* We say  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m\}$  is a basis of  $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  if

• span  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m\} = V$

•  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m\}$  are linearly independent.

• To find basis of image: list col vectors & eliminate redundant ones.

Def: A relation among  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$  is an equation of the form

$$c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_m \vec{v}_m = \vec{0}$$

Theorem: Consider  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ . Let  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$  be the columns of  $A$ . Suppose

$$x_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_m \vec{v}_m = \vec{0}.$$

then

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{bmatrix} \in \ker(A).$$

\* If  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m\}$  is a basis of  $V$ , every  $\vec{v} \in V$  is uniquely a linear combination of  $\vec{v}_i$ .

• To find basis of kernel of  $A$ .

1. RREF( $A$ )

2. Identify

• Pivot columns

• Non-pivot columns (free variables)

3. Express each pivot in terms of free.

4. Set each free variable

• set = 1

• all others = 0

• solve

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{RREF}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pivot:  $x_1$  free:  $x_2, x_3$

$$x_1 = -2x_2 - 3x_3$$

Set  $x_2 = 1, x_3 = 0$

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Set  $x_3 = 1, x_2 = 0 \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**Fact:** All bases of a subspace  $V$  have the same number of vectors.

**Def:** The dimension of a subspace = # of vectors in any basis.

→ degrees of freedom.

Consider  $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\dim(V) = m$

- We can find at most  $m$  linearly independent vectors in  $V$
- We need at least  $m$  vectors to span  $V$
- If  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m\}$  are linearly independent, it's a basis.
- If  $\text{span}\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m\} = V$ , it's a basis.

**Theorem:** Pick the column vectors of  $A$  that correspond to the pivots of  $\text{rref}(A)$ .

Ex: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & 3 & 25 \\ 7 & 9 & 19 & 65 \\ -4 & 5 & 11 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

pivots

$$\text{Image} = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 9 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 19 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

**Theorem:**  $\dim(\text{Im}(A)) = \text{rank}(A)$

**Theorem:** For  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

$$\dim(\ker(A)) + \dim(\text{im}(A)) = m$$

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TFAE

1.  $A$  invertible
2.  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has unique solution
3.  $\text{rref}(A) = I$
4.  $\text{im}(A) = \mathbb{R}^n$
5.  $\ker(A) = \{\vec{0}\}$
6.  $\{\text{cols}\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$
7.  $\text{span}\{\text{cols}\} = \mathbb{R}^n$
8.  $\text{rank}(A) = n$
9.  $\{\text{cols}\}$  are linearly independent.