

MTH 42 LECTURE NOTES (Ojakian)

Topic 11: Subspaces

OUTLINE

(References: 4.1)

1. Subspaces
 2. Null Space = Kernal
 3. Range Space
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1. Subspace Definition

- (a) Closed under vector addition.
- (b) Closed under scalar multiplication
- (c) Definition of subspace: Non-empty, closed under vector addition and scalar multiplication (slight modification of Definition 4.1 which is equivalent).
- (d) Subspace or not subspace? (First, just in R^2 !)
 - i. Directly describing set of points
PROBLEM 1. Consider the line segment in R^2 connecting the two points $(-1, -2)$ and $(1, 2)$. Is this set of points a subspace or not?
 - ii. Describing points as the set of solutions to an equation
PROBLEM 2. Consider the line in R^2 given by the equation $y = 2x + 1$. Is this set of points a subspace or not?
PROBLEM 3. Consider the line in R^2 given by the equation $y = 2x$. Is this set of points a subspace or not?
 - iii. A generic description of a set of points
PROBLEM 4. Consider any 2 dimensional ball of finite radius in R^2 . Is this set of points a subspace or not?
 - iv. Describe them all?
PROBLEM 5. Describe all the subspaces of R^2 .

2. Subspace Facts

(a) Points to check

- i. Useful for checking if a set is NOT a subspace.

Theorem 1. *A subspace always contains the zero vector.*

- ii. Useful for checking if a set is IS a subspace: Theorem 4.2
- iii. Consider checklist on page 153.

(b) More Examples

- i. Describing a set of vectors with mathematical notation

PROBLEM 6. *Do exercise 1 on page 158.*

PROBLEM 7. *Let $X = \{(2s, 5s, -s) \mid \text{for all } s \text{ in } R\}$. Is X a subspace of R^3 .*

PROBLEM 8. *Describe geometrically the subspaces in the last two problems. Describe all the subspaces of R^3 .*

- ii. Describing a set of vectors as the solution to a system of equations

PROBLEM 9. *Pick some non-homogeneous system of equations. Is its set of solutions a subspace?*

PROBLEM 10. *Pick some homogeneous system of equations. Is its set of solutions a subspace?*

- iii. Define Null Space: See definition 4.4 on page 155.

3. Important subspaces: Null Space, Kernal Space, and Range Space

(a)

PROBLEM 11. *Consider exercise 27 on page 159. Do the following:*

- i. *Write down the linear transformation T that is defined from the matrix A .*
- ii. *Find the Null Space for A .*
- iii. *Describe the set of vectors \bar{x} such that $T(\bar{x}) = \bar{0}$.*
- iv. *Describe the Range of T . Is it a subspace?*

(b) Define: Kernal Space and Range Space

PROBLEM 12. *Do exercise 34 on page 159 (use Anaconda).*

PROBLEM 13. *Explain/prove that the Range Space is a subspace.*

Note: Theorem 4.5 on page 156. Notice which R^x each is a subspace of!

PROBLEM 14. *Make up a linear transformation. Determine which R^x each is a subspace of: Kernal Space, Null Space, Range Space*

(c) One-to-One Theorem

Note: Theorem 4.6 on page 157

PROBLEM 15. *Consider exercise 27 on page 159 again. Is the linear transformation defined from this matrix injective? Do this in two ways: using linear independence and Theorem 4.6*