

## Lecture 4:

Zorn's lemma Assume  $\mathcal{C}$  is a collection of subsets of some fixed unnamed set. Assume that for all chain:

$$S_1 \subset S_2 \subset \dots \text{ in } \mathcal{C}, \text{ we have } \bigcup_i S_i \in \mathcal{C}$$

Then:  $\mathcal{C}$  contains a maximal element.

(That is,  $\exists M \in \mathcal{C} \Rightarrow$  there is no set  $\tilde{M} \in \mathcal{C}$  satisfying:

$$M \subset \tilde{M}$$

↑  
properly contained)



Theorem: Every vector space has a basis.

Proof: Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be the collection of all linearly independent subsets of  $V$ .

For any chain  $S_1 \subset S_2 \subset \dots \subset S_n \subset \dots$  in  $\mathcal{L}$ ,

$\bigcup_i S_i$  is also linearly independent.  $\therefore \bigcup_i S_i \in \mathcal{L}$ .

By Zorn's lemma,  $\exists$  maximal linearly independent set  $M$ .

We claim that  $\text{span}(M) = V$ .

If not,  $\exists \vec{v} \in V \ni \vec{v} \notin \text{Span}(M)$ .

Then:  $M \cup \{\vec{v}\}$  is linearly independent.

But  $M \subset M \cup \{\vec{v}\}$ . Contradiction to Zorn's lemma.

$\therefore$  ①  $\text{Span}(M) = V$

②  $M$  is L.I.

$\Rightarrow M$  is a basis.

Example: Consider  $F^\infty = \{(a_1, a_2, \dots) : a_j \in F\}$ .

Let  $S_i = \{\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \dots, \vec{e}_i\}$   
                   $\begin{matrix} \parallel & \parallel & & \parallel \\ (1, 0, \dots, 0) & (0, 1, \dots) & & \end{matrix}$

Then:  $S_1 \subset S_2 \subset \dots \subset S_i \subset \dots$

Let  $S = \bigcup_i S_i$ , which is linearly independent.

Obviously  $\text{span}(S) \neq F^\infty$ .

So, we can find  $\vec{v} \notin \text{span}(S) \ni S \cup \{\vec{v}\}$  is linearly independent.

We can repeat the process.

Question: will the process stop??

## Linear Transformation

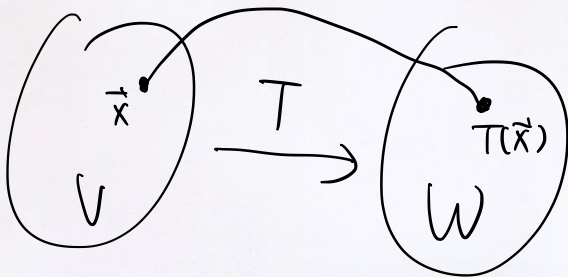
Definition: Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over  $F$ .

A linear transformation from  $V$  to  $W$  is a map  $T: V \rightarrow W$

such that: (a)  $T(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = T(\vec{x}) + T(\vec{y})$

(b)  $T(a\vec{x}) = aT(\vec{x})$

for all  $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in V$ ,  $a \in F$ .





Proposition: Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation. Then:

$$(i) \quad T(\vec{0}_V) = \vec{0}_W$$

$$(ii) \quad T\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \vec{x}_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i T(\vec{x}_i) \quad \forall \vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_n \in V$$

*(T preserves linear combination)*  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F.$

$$(i) \quad T(\vec{0}_V) = T(\vec{0}_V + \vec{0}_V) = T(\vec{0}_V) + T(\vec{0}_V)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(\vec{0}_V) = \vec{0}_W. \quad (\text{Cancellation law})$$

(ii) Use math. induction (exercise)

Examples: • For any vector spaces  $V$  and  $W$ , we have:

(a) The zero transformation  $T_0: V \rightarrow W$  defined by  $T_0(\vec{x}) := \vec{0}_W$   
for  $\forall \vec{x} \in V$

(b) The identity transformation  $I_V: V \rightarrow V$  defined by  $I_V(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}$   
for  $\forall \vec{x} \in V$ .

• Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$  be a  $m \times n$  matrix in  $F$ .

Define:  $L_A: F^n \rightarrow F^m$  as: ( $F^n =$  space of col vectors of size  $n$ )

$$L_A(\vec{x}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A\vec{x}$$

$L_A$  is called the left multiplication by  $A$ .

•  $T: M_{m \times n}(F) \rightarrow M_{n \times m}(F)$  defined by  $T(A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A^t$  (transpose of  $A$ )

- $T: P_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_{n-1}(\mathbb{R})$  defined by  $T(f(x)) = f'(x)$   
is a lin. transf. (derivative of  $f$ )

- Let  $a$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a < b$ . Then,

$T: C(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by =  
(Space of continuous functions)

$$T(f) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \int_a^b f(t) dt$$

## Null space or Range

Definition: Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces and  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation

Then, the null space (or kernel) of  $T$  is defined as:

$$N(T) := \text{def } \{ \vec{x} \in V : T(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}_W \} \subset V$$

the range (or image) of  $T$  is defined as:

$$R(T) := \{ T(\vec{x}) : \vec{x} \in V \} \subset W$$

e.g. For  $I_V: V \rightarrow V$ ,  $N(I_V) = \{ \vec{0}_V \}$ ,  $R(I_V) = V$   
(identity)

For  $T_0: V \rightarrow W$ ,  $N(T_0) = V$ ,  $R(T_0) = \{ \vec{0}_W \}$   
(zero transf)



•  $L_A: F^n \rightarrow F^m$  ( $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ )

$$N(L_A) = N(A) = \text{null space of } A$$

$$R(L_A) = \mathcal{C}(A) = \text{col space of } A$$

(space of linear combination of col vectors of  $A$ )

• For  $T: P_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_{n-1}(\mathbb{R})$  defined by

$$T(f(x)) = f'(x), \text{ then:}$$

$$N(T) = \{ a_0 \in P_n(\mathbb{R}) : a_0 \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$R(T) = P_{n-1}(\mathbb{R})$$

$$A = \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} | & | & \dots & | \end{array} \right)$$