

In The Name of God.  
The Merciful, The Compassionate.

## Basis, 4 Fundamental Subspaces

notes on Gilbert Strang videos, Lecture 09,10,11

### 1 Linear independence, Spanning a space, Basis, and Dimension

- independence is obvious!
- Vectors  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  span a space means: The space consists all combinations of those vectors.
- **Basis:** Basis for a space is a sequence of vectors  $\{v_1, \dots, v_d\}$  that has two properties:
  1. They are independent
  2. They span a space
- Given a space, every basis for the space has the same number of vectors: This number is the dimension of the space. (proof, see Carlo Tomasi's note)
- $Rank(A) = \# \text{pivot columns} = \text{dimension of the column space}$
- $\dim(C(A)) = r, \dim(N(A)) = \# \text{free variables} = n - r$

### 2 The 4 fundamental subspaces

- 4 subspaces:
  - $A$  is  $m \times n$  Matrix
  - $C(A), N(A), N(A^T)$  or left  $N(A), R(A) = C(A^T)$
- $\mathbb{R}^n : R(A) \perp N(A)$
- $\mathbb{R}^m : C(A) \perp N(A^T)$
- $C(rref(A)) \neq C(A)$

- $R(rref(A)) = R(A)$ , row operations  $\implies \dim(R(A)) = r$
- $y^T A = \mathbf{0}^T$ ,  $y$  is in left nullspace of  $A$ ,

$$rref([A_{m \times n} \quad I]) \longrightarrow [R_{m \times n} \quad E_{m \times m}] := E [A \quad I] = [R \quad E] \\ \implies EA = R,$$

if  $A$  was square and invertible:  $R = I \Rightarrow E = A^{-1}$ , rows of  $E$  corresponding to zero rows of  $R$  are basis for  $N(A^T)$ , because they are row vectors producing zero when multiplied by  $A$ .

- New vector spaces:  $M$  = all  $m$  by  $m$  matrices.
- Subspaces of  $M$ :
  - All upper triangular matrices ( $U$ )
  - All symmetric matrices ( $S$ )
  - Diagonal matrices:  $D = S \cap U$ :  $\dim(D) = m$
  - $S + U$ : any element in  $S$  + any element in  $U$ : all  $m$  by  $m$  matrices:  $\dim = m^2$
  - $\dim(S) + \dim(U) - \dim(S \cap U) = \dim(S \cup U)$
- Rank one matrices can be written as  $A = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}^T$

	$C(A)$	$N(A)$	$R(A)$	$N(A^T)$
Basis:	Pivot Cols	Special Sol'n	First $r$ rows of $R := rref(A)$	rows of $E$ corresponding to zero rows of $R$
DIM:	$r$	$n - r$	$r$	$m - r$