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1. (1 point) Have you read and understood the honor code?

Solution: Yes

Concept: System of linear equations

2. (2 points) This question has two parts as mentioned below:
(a) Find a 2×3 system $Ax = b$ whose complete solution is

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + w \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution:

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix}$, Now, $x_{particular} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $x_{nullspace} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Therefore, $Ax_{nullspace} = 0$,

$$\Rightarrow a_{11} + 2a_{12} + a_{13} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{21} + 2a_{22} + a_{23} = 0$$

Also, $Ax_{particular} = b = ([b_1 \ b_2])^T$,

If we fix A as $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, for $Ax_{nullspace} = 0$, $-1+2-1 = 0$ and $1-4+3 = 0$.

Now, $Ax_{particular} = ([b_1 \ b_2])^T, \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} (-1+1-1) \\ (1-2+3) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore system is,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) Now find a 3 x 3 system which has these solutions exactly when $b_1 + b_2 + b_3 = 0$.
(Note: $b = [b_1 \ b_2 \ b_3]^T$.)

Solution:

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix},$

Similar to part (a), if we fix A as, $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix},$

corresponding b is $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix},$ as $b_1 + b_2 + b_3 = 0 \Rightarrow b_3 = 1 - 2 = -1.$

Therefore $b = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$ So we need $a_{31} + 2a_{32} + a_{33} = 0$ for $x_{nullspace} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$a_{31} + a_{32} + a_{33} = b_3 = -1$ for $x_{particular} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

Therefore, we can take $a_{33} = 0, a_{32} = 1$ and $a_{31} = -2.$ Therefore system is,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. (2 points) Consider the matrices A and B below

(i) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 12 & -6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ (ii) $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 12 & 4 & 8 \\ 6 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

(a) Write down the row reduced echelon form of matrices A and B (also mention the steps involved).

Solution:

For A, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 12 & -6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$

$$R3 = R3 - 2R1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, R1 = R1 - 3R2 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -15 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$R2 = 0.5R2 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -15 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Row reduced echelon form of A.}$$

For B, $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 12 & 4 & 8 \\ 6 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, $R2 = R2 - 4R1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$R3 = R3 - 2R1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, R1 = (\frac{1}{3})R1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Row reduced echelon form of B.}$$

(b) Find all solutions to $A\mathbf{x} = 0$ and $B\mathbf{x} = 0$.

Solution:

For $Ax = 0$, Row reduced echelon form of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -15 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

If $x = ([x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3 \ x_4])^\top$, x_3 and x_4 are free variables and x_1 and x_2 are pivot variables.

If we take $x_3 = 1$ and $x_4 = 0$, $x_2 + 2 + 0 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = -2$, also, $x_1 - 15 + 0 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 15$.

If we take $x_3 = 0$ and $x_4 = 1$, $x_2 + 0 + 0 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 0$, also, $x_1 + 0 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = -4$.

So, basis vectors for null-space of A are, $\begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solutions to $Ax = 0$ are $p \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + q \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, where $p, q \in R$.

For $Bx = 0$, Row reduced echelon form of $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

If $x = ([x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3])^\top$, x_2 and x_3 are free variables and x_1 is pivot variable.

If we take $x_2 = 1$ and $x_3 = 0$, $x_1 + \frac{1}{3} + 0 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = -\frac{1}{3}$.

If we take $x_2 = 0$ and $x_3 = 1$, $x_1 + 0 + \frac{2}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = -\frac{2}{3}$.

So, basis vectors for null-space of B are, $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solutions to $Bx = 0$ are $p \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + q \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, where $p, q \in R$.

(c) Write down the basis for the four fundamental subspaces of A.

Solution:

To find basis of $C(A)$. Columns of A are, $a_1 = ([1 \ 0 \ 2])^\top$, $a_2 = ([6 \ 2 \ 12])^\top$, $([4 \ 0 \ 8])^\top = 4(a_1)$ and $([-3 \ 4 \ -6])^\top = ([12 \ 4 \ 24])^\top + ([-15 \ 0 \ -30])^\top = 2(a_2) - 15(a_1)$.

Therefore $C(A)$ has basis vectors as independent columns of A,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}.$$

To find basis of $N(A)$, As found on Q3 (b),

$$\text{basis vectors of } N(A) \text{ are } \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

To find basis of $C(A^\top)$, Rows of A are, $a_1 = [1 \ 6 \ -3 \ 4]$, $a_2 = [0 \ 2 \ 4 \ 0]$ and $[2 \ 12 \ -6 \ 8] = 2a_1$. Therefore $C(A^\top)$ has basis vectors as independent rows of A,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

To find basis of $N(A^\top)$,

If we apply the row operations performed on A to get R(A) in Q3 (b) to I,

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, R3 = R3 - 2R1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$R1 = R1 - 3R2 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, R2 = 0.5R2 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = E$$

Since in row reduced echelon form of A, the last row was 0, therefore we get 0 for linear combination of rows of A with weights as the last row in E.

$$\text{Therefore } N(A^\top) \text{ has basis vectors as last row of E, } \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(d) Write down the basis for the four fundamental subspaces of B .

Solution:

To find basis of $C(B)$. Columns of B are, $b_2 = ([1 \ 4 \ 2])^\top$,
 $([3 \ 12 \ 6])^\top = 3(b_2)$ and
 $([2 \ 8 \ 4])^\top = 2(b_2)$.

Therefore $C(B)$ has basis vectors as independent columns of B, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

To find basis of $N(B)$, As found on Q3 (b),

basis vectors of $N(B)$ are $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

To find basis of $C(B^\top)$, Rows of B are, $b_1 = [3 \ 1 \ 2]$,
 $b_2 = [12 \ 4 \ 8] = 4(b_1)$,
 $b_3 = [6 \ 2 \ 4] = 2(b_1)$,

Therefore $C(B^\top)$ has basis vectors as independent rows of B, $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

To find basis of $N(B^\top)$,

If we apply the row operations performed on B to get $R(B)$ in Q3 (b) to I,

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, R2 = R2 - 4R1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$R3 = R3 - 2R1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, R1 = \frac{1}{3}R1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = E$$

Since in row reduced echelon form of B, the last 2 rows were 0, therefore we get 0 for linear combination of rows of B with weights as the last 2 rows in E.

Therefore $N(B^\top)$ has basis vectors as last 2 rows of E, $\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Concept: Rank

4. (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ points) Consider the matrices A and B as given below:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ -6 & -4 & -2 \\ 3 & 2 & x \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 & 7 \\ y & 2 & y \end{bmatrix}$$

Give the values for entries x and y such that the ranks of the matrices A and B are

(a) 1

Solution:

For A,

$R2 = [-6 \ -4 \ -2] = -2[3 \ 2 \ 1] = -2R1$. Therefore R2 is a dependent row.

For $\text{rank}(A) = 1$, we need R3 also to be a dependent row on R1. Therefore, $R3 = [3 \ 2 \ x] = pR1 = [3p \ 2p \ p]$. Hence, $p = 1$, therefore $x = 1$.

For B,

For $\text{rank}(B) = 1$, we need R2 to be a dependent row on R1. Therefore, $R2 = [y \ 2 \ y] = pR1 = [7p \ 2p \ 7p]$. Hence, $p = 1$, therefore $y = 7$.

(b) 2

Solution:

For A,

$R2 = -2R1$ and hence R2 is a dependent row.

For $\text{rank}(A) = 2$, we need R3 to be independent of R1 and R2. Therefore, $R3 = [3 \ 2 \ x] \neq pR1 = [3p \ 2p \ p]$. Hence as $p = 1$, therefore $x \neq 1$ for rank 2. Therefore x can be any value other than 1. Example, $x = 2$.

For B,

For $\text{rank}(B) = 2$, we need R2 to be independent of R1. Therefore, $R2 = [y \ 2 \ y] \neq pR1 = [7p \ 2p \ 7p]$. Hence as $p = 1$, therefore $y \neq 7$ for rank 2. Therefore y can be any value other than 7. Example, $y = 1$.

(c) 3

Solution:

For A,

$R_2 = -2R_1$ and hence R_2 is a dependent row.

Therefore even if R_3 is independent, rank can only be 2. Therefore for no value of x , $\text{rank}(A)$ can be 3.

For B,

Since B has only 2 rows, the maximum possible rank is 2. Therefore for no value of y , $\text{rank}(B)$ can be 3.

Concept: Nullspace and column space

5. ($\frac{1}{2}$ point) State True or False and explain your answer: The nullspace of R is the same as the nullspace of U (where R is the row reduced echelon form of A and U is the matrix in LU decomposition of A).

Solution:

For A, let null space be $N(A)$.

Therefore if $x \in N(A)$, $Ax = 0$. If we consider an invertible matrix M , now,

$M(Ax) = M(0) = 0 \Rightarrow (MA)x = 0$, i.e. $N(A)$ is included in $N(MA)$. I.e. for any $x \in N(A)$, it is also in $N(MA)$.

Let for some y , $(MA)y = 0$, as M is invertible, now, $M^{-1}(MA)y = M^{-1}0 \Rightarrow (M^{-1}M)Ay = 0 \Rightarrow Ay = 0$. I.e. for any $y \in N(MA)$, it is also in $N(A)$.

As all elements in $N(A)$ are in $N(MA)$ and vice versa, $N(A) = N(MA)$.

I.e. For any invertible matrix M , A and MA have same null space.

Row reduced echelon form of A, R is obtained by performing invertible operations on A (row operations, scaling diagonals, swapping rows). Therefore we can write, $R = E_R A$.

As E_R is invertible, $N(R) = N(E_R A) = N(A)$.

Similarly, for U, we can reach U by performing elementary operations on A which are invertible. $U = EA$

Therefore $N(U) = N(EA) = N(A)$.

Therefore $N(R) = N(A) = N(U)$.

TRUE, null space of R is same as null space of U.

6. (1 point) Construct a matrix whose column space contains $[2, 5, 3]^T$ and $[0, 3, 1]^T$ and whose null space contains $[1, 3, 2]^T$

Solution:

Since column space has the given 2 vectors, we can take those 2 vectors themselves as 2 columns of A. Also clearly the 2 vectors are independent as they aren't multiples of each other.

Therefore, let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & a \\ 5 & 3 & b \\ 3 & 1 & c \end{bmatrix}$

Since null space contains $y = ([1 \ 3 \ 2])^T$, $Ay = 0$.

$$2*1 + 0*3 + 2a = 0 \Rightarrow a = -1.$$

$$5*1 + 3*3 + 2b = 0 \Rightarrow b = -7.$$

$$3*1 + 1*3 + 2c = 0 \Rightarrow c = -3.$$

Therefore matrix is, $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 5 & 3 & -7 \\ 3 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

7. (2 points) Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$. The column space of this matrix is a 2 dimensional plane. What is the equation of this plane? (You need to write down the steps you took to arrive at the equation)

Solution:

Column space of A, $C(A)$ is, $p \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + q \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3p \\ 2p+q \\ p+9q \end{bmatrix}$, where $p, q \in R$

Plane is the set of all 3D points generated by giving different values of p and q.

If we consider plane equation as, $ax + by + cz + d = 0$, where $x = 3p$, $y = 2p + q$, $z = p + 9q$.

$$\Rightarrow a(3p) + b(2p + q) + c(p + 9q) + d = 0 \Rightarrow (3a + 2b + c)p + (b + 9c)q = -d,$$

Since all values of p and q must satisfy this equation,

$$\text{For } p=0, q=0, 0 + 0 = -d \Rightarrow d = 0.$$

$$\text{For } p=0, q=1, 0 + b + 9c = 0 \Rightarrow b = -9c.$$

$$\text{For } p=1, q=0, 3a + 2b + c + 0 = 0 \Rightarrow 3a = -c - (-18c) = -c + 18c = 17c \Rightarrow a = \frac{17}{3}c.$$

$$\text{Therefore equation is, } ax + by + cz + d = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{17}{3}c - 9cy + cz + 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 17x - 27y + 3z = 0.$$

8. (1 point) True or false? (If true give logical, valid reasoning or give a counterexample if false)

a. If the row space equals the column space then $A^T = A$

Solution:

FALSE

As for any skew-symmetric matrix, $A^T = -A$.

$$\text{Example, } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -A$$

$$\text{For the example, } C(A) = p \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + q \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -q \\ p \end{bmatrix} \text{ for } p, q \in R.$$

$$\text{Row space of } A = C(A^T) = a \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ -b \end{bmatrix} \text{ for } a, b \in R.$$

As a, b, p, q can be any value in R , for every vector in $C(A)$, we can put $a = -q$ and $b = -p$ to get the same vector in $C(A^T)$. Similarly vice versa every vector in $C(A^T)$, we can put $q = -a$ and $p = -b$ and get the same vector in $C(A)$.

Therefore $C(A)$ is same as $C(A^T)$ and hence is same as row space of A.

Hence for this matrix, row space and column space are same but $A^T \neq A$.

- b. If $A^T = -A$ then the row space of A equals the column space.

Solution:

TRUE

Given that $A^T = -A$.

Since row space of A = column space of A^T , we need to prove that, $C(A) = C(A^T)$.

$$C(A^T) = C(-A)$$

Let A have n columns and its columns be denoted by $a_{c1}, a_{c2}, \dots, a_{cn}$.

$$C(A) = w_{c1}a_{c1} + \dots w_{cn}a_{cn} \text{ for } w_{c1}, w_{c2}, \dots, w_{cn} \in R.$$

$$C(A^T) = C(-A) = w_{r1}(-a_{c1}) + \dots w_{rn}(-a_{cn}) \text{ for } w_{r1}, w_{r2}, \dots, w_{rn} \in R. \Rightarrow C(-A) = (-w_{r1})a_{c1} + \dots (-w_{rn})a_{cn}.$$

Since all belong to R, for any $x \in R$, there exists a $y \in R$ such that $y = -x$.

Therefore for any vector in $C(A)$, we can put $w_{r1} = -w_{c1}, \dots, w_{rn} = -w_{cn}$ to get the same vector in $C(-A)$.

Similarly, vice versa, for any vector in $C(-A)$, we can put $w_{c1} = -w_{r1}, \dots, w_{cn} = -w_{rn}$ to get the same vector in $C(A)$.

Combining these two statements, we get that $C(A)$ is same as $C(-A)$ and hence same as $C(A^T)$ and further same as the row space of A.

Therefore given that $A^T = -A$, the row space and column space of A are same.

9. (1 point) What are the dimensions of the four subspaces for **A**, **B**, and **C**, if I is the 3×3 identity matrix and 0 is the 3×2 zero matrix?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} I & I \\ 0^T & 0^T \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

For A,

$$\dim(\mathcal{C}(A)) = \dim(\mathcal{C}(A^\top)) = \text{rank of A} = \text{number of non zero pivot rows} = 3$$

$$\dim(\mathcal{N}(A)) = \text{number of columns} - \text{rank} = 5 - 3 = 2$$

$$\dim(\mathcal{N}(A^\top)) = \text{number of rows} - \text{rank} = 3 - 3 = 0$$

For B,

$$\dim(\mathcal{C}(B)) = \dim(\mathcal{C}(B^\top)) = \text{rank of B} = \text{number of non zero pivot rows} = 3$$

$$\dim(\mathcal{N}(B)) = \text{number of columns} - \text{rank} = 6 - 3 = 3$$

$$\dim(\mathcal{N}(B^\top)) = \text{number of rows} - \text{rank} = 5 - 3 = 2$$

For C,

$$\dim(\mathcal{C}(C)) = \dim(\mathcal{C}(C^\top)) = \text{rank of C} = \text{number of non zero pivot rows} = 0$$

$$\dim(\mathcal{N}(C)) = \text{number of columns} - \text{rank} = 2 - 0 = 2$$

$$\dim(\mathcal{N}(C^\top)) = \text{number of rows} - \text{rank} = 3 - 0 = 3$$

10. (2 points) Solve the following questions.

- (a) If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, find $\dim(\mathcal{R}(A)) + \dim(\mathcal{C}(A)) + \dim(\mathcal{N}(A)) + \dim(\mathcal{N}(A^\top))$.
(in terms of n & m)

Solution:

$\dim(\mathcal{R}(A))$ depends on the number of independent rows in A and that is determined by number of non-zero pivots in A which is same as rank of A.

Therefore, if r is rank of A, then $\dim(\mathcal{R}(A)) = r$.

Also by same logic, $\dim(\mathcal{C}(A))$ is number of independent columns in A which is also determined by non-zero pivots and is equal to rank of A. $\dim(\mathcal{C}(A)) = r$.

Since we know, $\dim(\mathcal{N}(A)) = n - r$, $\dim(\mathcal{N}(A^\top)) = m - r$.

Therefore,

$$\dim(\mathcal{R}(A)) + \dim(\mathcal{C}(A)) + \dim(\mathcal{N}(A)) + \dim(\mathcal{N}(A^\top)) = r + r + n - r + m - r = n + m$$

- (b) Let A and B be two $n \times n$ matrices such that $AB = 0$. Show that the row space

of A is contained in the left null space of B .

Solution:

Let A have rows a_1, \dots, a_n .

As $AB = 0$,

$a_1B = 0, a_2B = 0, \dots, a_nB = 0$.

If we consider $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n \in R$, then $(w_1a_1 + w_2a_2 + \dots, w_na_n)B = w_1(a_1B) + w_2(a_2B) + \dots, w_n(a_nB) = w_1(0) + \dots, w_n(0) = 0$. Therefore any linear combination of rows of A are included in the left null space of B .

Since row space of A is just all the linear combinations of rows of A and all of those are included in the left null space of B , we can say that row space of A is contained in the left null space of B .

11. (1 point) True or false? If A is a $n \times n$ square matrix then $\mathcal{N}(A) = \mathcal{N}(AA^T)$ (If true give logical, valid reasoning or give a counterexample if false)

Solution:

FALSE

If we take $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

Now, $N(A)$ contains the vector $x = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ as

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 * 1 + 1 * 2 \\ -2 * 0 + 1 * 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{0vector}.$$

Therefore x is in $N(A)$.

$$\text{However, } AA^T x = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 * 5 + 1 * 0 \\ -2 * 0 + 1 * 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -10 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq \text{0vector}.$$

Therefore x is not in $N(AA^T)$

Hence there is a vector in $N(A)$ but not in $N(AA^T)$. Therefore, $N(A) \neq N(AA^T)$ for given A .

12. (2 points) Without explicitly computing the product of given two matrices, find bases

for each of its four sub-spaces.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

And also explain the four sub-spaces along with the method you followed to compute them.

Solution:

Let us denote the given 2 matrices as L and U. Since L has all diagonal elements as 1 and is a lower triangle matrix, it is invertible.

Basis vectors of $C(U)$ are the pivot columns of U. Therefore U has basis vectors for $C(U)$ as $([1 \ 0 \ 0])^\top$ and $([3 \ 1 \ 0])^\top$.

Since multiplying L to U is same as taking linear combinations of columns of L with weights as values in each column of U, to get basis vectors of $C(A) = C(LU)$, we need to apply the same linear combination to the columns of L taking weights as values in the basis vectors of U.

Applying these, we get basis vectors of A as, $([1 \ 1 \ 0])^\top$ and $3([1 \ 1 \ 0])^\top + [0 \ 1 \ 1]^\top = ([3 \ 4 \ 1])^\top$. Therefore $C(A)$ has basis vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Basis vectors of Row space of U are the pivot rows of U. Therefore U has basis vectors for $C(U^\top)$ as $[0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4]$ and $[0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2]$. Since $A = LU$, rows of A are linear combinations of rows of U.

Row 1 of A is row 1 of U and $a_1 = u_1$.

Row 2 of A is sum of first two rows of U, $a_2 = u_1 + u_2 = [0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 4 \ 6]$ and hence it is independent from Row 1 of A.

Row 3 of A is sum of last two rows of U, $a_3 = u_2 + u_3 = u_2 + 0 = u_2 = a_2 - a_1$. It is a dependent row. Hence basis vectors for Row space of A are $[0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4]$ and $[0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 4 \ 6]$.

Row reduced echelon form of U = Row reduced form of A since $A = LU$ and L is invertible lower triangle matrix. Therefore, finding $\text{rref}(U)$, $R1 = R1 - 3R2$,

$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Therefore $N(A)$ has basis vectors, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Since to get row reduced echelon form of A, we did $R1 = R1 - 3R2$, if we apply the operation to I, We get E as $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Since basis vectors of $N(A^\top)$ are the rows of E which produce zero rows in row reduced echelon form of A, Here, row 3 of $\text{rref}(A)$ is a zero row. Basis vector of $N(A^\top)$ is, $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Concept: Free variables

13. (2 $\frac{1}{2}$ points) True or False (with reason if true or example to show it is false).

(a) An matrix $m \times n$ can have zero pivots.

Solution:

TRUE

If all of the rows in the matrix consists of only zeroes, that matrix will have a zero pivots. Example, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Therefore it is possible for a matrix $m \times n$ to have zero pivots.

(b) A real-symmetric matrix $m \times m$ has no free variables.

Solution:

FALSE

If we consider matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $A = A^T$ and all values are real and hence it is a real-symmetric matrix.

However from A, we can see that since its 2nd column is all 0s, it has 1 free variable.

Therefore there are real-symmetric matrices with free variables.

(c) If A & B be are two $m \times n$ matrices with non-zero pivots, then a matrix $C = A + B$ can have zero pivots

Solution:

TRUE

Suppose A and B are such that in one common row, A has elements a_{r1}, \dots, a_{rn} and B has elements $b_{r1} = -a_{r1}, \dots, b_{rn} = -a_{rn}$, then $A + B$ will have all zeroes in that particular row which results in a zero pivot for $A + B$.

Example, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Here, Gaussian Elimination of A is $(R2 = R2 - R1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Here, Gaussian Elimination of B is $(R2 = R2 + R1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Therefore A and B both have all non-zero pivots.

However, $C = A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

Here, since there is a zero row, $A + B$ has zero pivot.

Therefore it is possible that two matrices A and B have all non-zero pivots but their sum $A+B$ has zero pivots.

- (d) A free variable in a matrix always implies that there is either a zero-row or zero-column in the matrix.

Solution:

FALSE

If we consider matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$,

Row reduced echelon form of A, $R2 = R2 - 2R1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = R(A)$.

Here since there is a zero pivot in $R(A)$, A has 1 free variable. However the matrix does not have a zero row or column.

Therefore a matrix can have free variables without a zero row or column.

- (e) For any matrix A, does A^T and A^{-1} have the same number of pivots.

Solution:

FALSE

If we consider matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$,

Since A has a zero row, A is not invertible.

Therefore, A^{-1} does not exist and hence here, A^T and A^{-1} does not have same number of pivots.

Concept: Reduced Echelon Form

14. ($\frac{1}{2}$ point) Suppose R is $m \times n$ matrix of rank r , with pivot columns first:

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} I & F \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Find a right-inverse B with $RB = I$ if $r = m$.

Solution:

Since $r=m$, the matrix R becomes, $R = \begin{bmatrix} I & F \end{bmatrix}$.

Therefore to get $RB = I$, we can take $B = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$ where I is a $r \times r$ identity matrix and $\mathbf{0}$ is a $(n-r) \times r$ matrix with all elements as 0. Here, $RB = I.I + F.0 = I$.

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}.$$