



Row Vector

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

$$r_1 = [2, 1, 0]$$

$$r_2 = [3, -1, 4]$$

Column Vector

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

$$c_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Row Space

Spanned by the Row Vectors

Column Space

Spanned by the Columns Vectors

Hull Space

Solutions Space of homogeneous System

$$Ax = 0$$

Finding bases for:

 Row
and
Column
Space

 Null
Space

"Solve the homogeneous system with parametric equations"

1) Row echelon form

* Rows with leading one

* Columns with leading one

For the Row Space: 1) Row echelon form

2) take the nonzero
rows only

3) type them as a vector $\{(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2)\}$

For the Column Space: 1) Row echelon form

2) take the column with
the leading one only
of the original matrix

3) type them as a vector

the basis for the null space

The dimension of the nullspace of A is called the nullity of A .

Example:

Find the nullspace of the matrix.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

 Step 1

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

 Step 2

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_4 = 0 \\ x_3 + x_4 = 0.$$

 Step 3

Choose x_2 and x_4 as free variables to represent the solutions in this parametric form

$$x_1 = -2s - 3t, \quad x_2 = s, \quad x_3 = -t, \quad x_4 = t$$

 Step 4

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2s - 3t \\ s \\ -t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

 Step 5

A basis for the nullspace of A consists of the vectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rank of Matrix

$$\dim(\text{Row Space}) = \dim(\text{Column Space})$$

$$\text{Rank}(A) = \dim(\text{Row or Column Space})$$

$$\text{nullity}(A) = \dim(\text{Null Space})$$

How to get the rank:

1) RREF

2) Rank = number of leading ones

How to get the nullity:

1) RREF

2) nullity = number of columns which don't contain leading ones

EXAMPLE 5 Finding the Rank of a Matrix

Find the rank of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

SOLUTION Convert to row-echelon form as follows.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Because B has three nonzero rows, the rank of A is 3.

Dimension of the Solution Space

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix of rank r , then the dimension of the solution space of $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$ is $n - r$. That is,

number of columns $n = \text{rank}(A) + \text{nullity}(A)$. / $\text{Rank}(A) = \text{Rank}(A^T)$ / $\text{Rank}(A^T) + \text{nullity}(A^T)$
 $= m - \text{number of rows}$

Rank and Nullity of a Matrix

Example:

B be the reduced row-echelon form of A .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & 0 & -12 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$a_1 \quad a_2 \quad a_3 \quad a_4 \quad a_5$ $b_1 \quad b_2 \quad b_3 \quad b_4 \quad b_5$

(a) Find the rank and nullity of A .

(b) Find a subset of the column vectors of A that forms a basis for the column space of A .

(c) If possible, write the third column of A as a linear combination of the first two columns.

- (a) Because B has three nonzero rows, the rank of A is 3. Also, the number of columns of A is $n = 5$, which implies that the nullity of A is $n - \text{rank } A = 5 - 3 = 2$.

- (b) Because the first, second, and fourth column vectors of B are linearly independent, the corresponding column vectors of A ,

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{a}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

form a basis for the column space of A .

(c) The third column of B is a linear combination of the first two columns: $\mathbf{b}_3 = -2\mathbf{b}_1 + 3\mathbf{b}_2$. The same dependency relationship holds for the corresponding columns of matrix A .

$$\mathbf{a}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = -2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = -2\mathbf{a}_1 + 3\mathbf{a}_2$$

Finding the Solution Set of a Nonhomogeneous System

Find the set of all solution vectors of the system of linear equations.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x_1 - 2x_3 + x_4 & = & 5 \\ 3x_1 + x_2 - 5x_3 & = & 8 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 - 5x_4 & = & -9 \end{array}$$

SOLUTION The augmented matrix for the system $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ reduces as follows.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & -5 & 0 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -5 & -9 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

The system of linear equations corresponding to the reduced row-echelon matrix is

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x_1 - 2x_3 + x_4 & = & 5 \\ x_2 + x_3 - 3x_4 & = & -7. \end{array}$$

Letting $x_3 = s$ and $x_4 = t$, you can write a representative solution vector of $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2s - t + 5 \\ -s + 3t - 7 \\ s + 0t + 0 \\ 0s + t + 0 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= s\mathbf{u}_1 + t\mathbf{u}_2 + \mathbf{x}_p \end{aligned}$$

Solutions of a System of Linear Equations

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The system of linear equations $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent if and only if \mathbf{b} is in the column space of A .

Consistency of a System of Linear Equations

Consider the system of linear equations

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 & = & -1 \\ x_1 & + x_3 & = & 3 \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 & = & 1. \end{array}$$

The rank of the coefficient matrix is equal to the rank of the augmented matrix.

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ [A : \mathbf{b}] &= \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

As shown above, \mathbf{b} is in the column space of A , and the system of linear equations is consistent.

If A is an $n \times n$ matrix, then the following conditions are equivalent.

1. A is invertible.
2. $Ax = b$ has a unique solution for any $n \times 1$ matrix b .
3. $Ax = 0$ has only the trivial solution.
4. A is row-equivalent to I_n .
5. $|A| \neq 0$
6. $\text{Rank}(A) = n$
7. The n row vectors of A are linearly independent. *and $\text{Span } R^n$*
8. The n column vectors of A are linearly independent. *and $\text{Span } R^n$*
9. A has nullity 0.
10. A has rank n . $\rightarrow \text{Rank} + \text{Nullity} = n$ if $\text{Rank} = n \rightarrow \text{Nullity} = 0$