

**Row Space.** The *row space*,  $\text{Row}(\mathbf{A})$ , is the span of the rows of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

1. Consider the row space:

$$S = \text{Row} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & -6 & -32 \\ -2 & 8 & 42 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -6 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -32 \\ 42 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3.$$

How do row operations change the row space?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & -6 & -32 \\ -2 & 8 & 42 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -6 & -32 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ -2 & 8 & 42 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -16 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ -2 & 8 & 42 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -16 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -16 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Key Points:**

2. Here is the transpose of the matrix above row reduced. How does this compare to the row space above?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -6 & 8 \\ 5 & -32 & 42 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Application to finding bases.**

3. Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4$  be the span of the vectors below. Find the dimension of  $S$  and find a basis for  $S$ .

$$S = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ -3 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

- (a) Method 1: put the vectors of  $S$  into the columns of a matrix  $A$  and row reduce:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -3 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 & 5 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 & -9 & 13 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) Method 2: put the vectors of  $S$  into the columns of a matrix  $A$  and row reduce:

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -3 & -3 & -9 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 & 13 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (c) Is the vector  $\vec{v}$  in  $S$ ?

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -9 \\ 12 \\ -12 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (d)  $\dim(S) = \text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^T)$ .

# You Try!

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -6 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -6 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 10 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 10 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 0 & 5 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 8 & 2 & -6 & -6 & 10 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 & -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Fill in the blanks:

- a)  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) =$  3
- b)  $\text{nullity}(\mathbf{A}) =$  2
- c)  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}^T) =$  3
- d)  $\text{nullity}(\mathbf{A}^T) =$  3
- i)  $\text{Col}(\mathbf{A})$  is a 3 dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^6$
- ii)  $\text{Nul}(\mathbf{A})$  is a 2 dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$
- iii)  $\text{Row}(\mathbf{A})$  is a 3 dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$
- iv)  $\text{Null}(\mathbf{A}^T)$  is a 3 dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^6$