

Chapter 4-2 - Null Spaces, Column Spaces, and Linear Transformation

1) Determine if $\vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ is in $\text{Nul } A$ where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -5 & -3 \\ 4 & -2 & 0 \\ -8 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 3-15+12 \\ 6-6+0 \\ -8+12-4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Yes since $A\vec{w} = \vec{0}$

3) Find an explicit description of Nullspace of A where:

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

$$R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - 3R_2$$

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7 & 6 \\ 0 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{cases} x_1 = 7x_3 - 6x_4 \\ x_2 = -4x_3 + 2x_4 \\ x_3 \text{ is free} \\ x_4 \text{ is free} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Nul } A = a \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Nul } A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

5) Find an explicit description of the null space of A as a span of vectors given

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

$$\vec{x} = \begin{cases} x_1 = 2x_2 - 4x_4 \\ x_2 \text{ is free} \\ x_3 = 9x_4 \\ x_4 \text{ is free} \\ x_5 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Nul } A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 9 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

7) Determine if the set is a vector space. If not give an example to the contrary.

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} : a+b+c=0 \right\}$$

Not a vector space
Since it does not contain the zero vector.

9) Determine if the set is a vector space. If not give an example to the contrary.

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} : \begin{matrix} a-2b=4c \\ 2a=c+3d \end{matrix} \right\}$$

Yes it is a vector space

a) Contains the zero vector

b) Closed under vector addition

c) Closed under scalar multiplication.

$$a-2b-4c=0$$

$$2a-c-3d=0$$

ii) Determine if the set is a vector space.

If not, give an example to the contrary.

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} b-2d \\ 5+d \\ b+3d \\ d \end{bmatrix} : b, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Not a vector space

As it does not contain the zero vector.

Only way to have

$$5+d=0 \text{ is if } d=-5.$$

However that would make the fourth element nonzero.

13) Determine if the set is a vector space. Otherwise give a counter example.

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} c-6d \\ d \\ c \end{bmatrix} : d, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Yes it is a vector space

a) Contains $\vec{0}$ when $d=0$ and $c=0$

b) Closed under addition:

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_1-6d_1 \\ d_1 \\ c_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} c_2-6d_2 \\ d_2 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1+c_2-6(d_1+d_2) \\ d_1+d_2 \\ c_1+c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_3-6d_3 \\ d_3 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{where } d_3 = d_1 + d_2 \text{ and } c_3 = c_1 + c_2$$

c) Closed under scalar multiplication

Using theorem 4-3, the set is also equal to the column space of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

making it a vector space.

15) If the matrix A given that

$$\text{Col } A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2s+3t \\ r+3-2t \\ 4r+5s \\ 3r-5-t \end{bmatrix} : r, s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$\text{Col } A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

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

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17) Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -6 \\ -1 & 3 \\ 3 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$

a) Find K such that $\text{Nul } A$ is a subset of \mathbb{R}^K

$K=2$

b) Find K such that $\text{Col } A$ is a subset of \mathbb{R}^K

$K=4$

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

a) Find K such that $\text{Nul } A$ is a subset of \mathbb{R}^K

$K=5$

b) Find K such that $\text{Col } A$ is a subset of \mathbb{R}^K

$K=2$

ii) Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -6 \\ -1 & 3 \\ 4 & 12 \\ 3 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$

Find a nonzero vector in $\text{Col } A$ and a nonzero vector in $\text{Nul } A$

a) $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Nul } A$

b) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Col } A$

23) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 12 \\ -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

a) Determine if $\vec{w} \in \text{Col } A$

Yes $\begin{bmatrix} -6 & 12 \\ -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

b) Determine if $\vec{w} \in \text{Nul } A$

Yes $\begin{bmatrix} -6 & 12 \\ -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -12+12 \\ -6+6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

25)

a) True - The nullspace is all vectors \vec{x} such that $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

b) False - For an $m \times n$ matrix the nullspace is in \mathbb{R}^n

c) True - $\text{Col } A$ is all vectors \vec{y} such that $\vec{x} \mapsto A\vec{x}$

d) False - For $\text{Col } A = \mathbb{R}^m$ $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ must be true for all \vec{b}

e)

f) True - $\text{Col } A$ is the set of all linear combinations of the columns of A or

$\text{Col } A = \{A\vec{x} : \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$

26)

a) True - All nullspaces are vector spaces

b) True - For an $m \times n$ matrix, $\text{Col } A$ derives from \mathbb{R}^m

c) False - It is not the set of all solutions, but all mappings.

d)

e)

f) True - $\text{Col } A$ is:

$\text{Col } A = \{A\vec{x} : \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$

27) $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ is a solution to the linear system:

System:

$\begin{aligned} x_1 - 3x_2 - 3x_3 &= 0 \\ -2x_1 + 4x_2 + 2x_3 &= 0 \\ -x_1 + 5x_2 + 7x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$

Given $\vec{x} \in \text{Nul } A$ for

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -3 \\ -2 & 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

Since $\text{Nul } A$ is a vector space it is closed under scalar multiplication. Hence:

$c\vec{x} \in \text{Nul } A$

if $c=10$, $c\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 30 \\ 20 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{Nul } A$

making $\begin{bmatrix} 30 \\ 20 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix}$ a solution to the system