Problem 2.4.1

Transforming a matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 & 8 & 5 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 & 3 \\ 5 & 8 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ to reduced row echelon form



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 & 3 \\ 5 & 8 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{21}{5} & \frac{14}{5} & 1 \\ 5 & 8 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{21}{5} & \frac{14}{5} & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$R_1 \to R_1 \times \frac{1}{5}$$
 $\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1\\ 2 & 7 & 6 & 3\\ 5 & 8 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$R_2 \to R_2 + 2R_1$$
 $\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1\\ 0 & \frac{21}{5} & \frac{14}{5} & 1\\ 5 & 8 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$R_3 \to R_3 + 5R_1$$
 $\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1\\ 0 & \frac{21}{5} & \frac{14}{5} & 1\\ 0 & 1 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$R_2 \rightarrow \frac{5}{21}R_2 \qquad \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1\\ 0 & 1 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{5}{21}\\ 0 & 1 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1\\ 0 & 1 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{5}{21}\\ 0 & 1 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1\\ 0 & 1 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{5}{21}\\ 0 & 0 & -14 & -47 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1\\ 0 & 1 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{5}{21}\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{47}{98} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-4}{49}\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{47}{98} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & 0 & \frac{57}{245} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-4}{49} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{47}{98} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \to R_3 + R_2 \qquad \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1\\ 0 & 1 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{5}{21}\\ 0 & 0 & \frac{-14}{3} & \frac{-47}{21} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \to \frac{-3}{14} R_3 \qquad \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \to R_2 - \frac{2}{3}R_3$$

$$R_1 \to R_1 - \frac{8}{5}R_3$$

$$R_1 \to R_1 - \frac{7}{5}R_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{8}{5} & 1\\ 0 & 1 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{5}{21}\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{47}{98} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{6}{5} & 1\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-4}{49}\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{47}{98} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{5} & 0 & \frac{57}{245} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{49}{49} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{47}{98} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{49}{49} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-4}{49} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{7}{19} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Example 2.4.2

Find column space, row space, null space and kernel of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 9 & -2 & -7 \\ 2 & -6 & 4 & 8 \\ 3 & -9 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$



Step (1): Finding rref(A)

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 9 & -2 & -7 \ 2 & -6 & 4 & 8 \ 3 & -9 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} R_1 \to \frac{-1}{3} R_1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \\ 2 & -6 & 4 & 8 \\ 3 & -9 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \\ 2 & -6 & 4 & 8 \\ 3 & -9 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} R_2 \to R_2 + 2R_1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{8}{3} & \frac{10}{3} \\ 3 & -9 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{8}{3} & \frac{10}{3} \\ 3 & -9 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} R_3 \to R_3 + 3R_1 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{8}{3} & \frac{10}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{8}{3} & \frac{10}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & -5 \end{bmatrix} R_2 \to \frac{3}{8} R_2 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{4}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & -5 \end{bmatrix} R_3 \to R_3 + 4R_2 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} R_1 \to R_1 - \frac{-2}{3}R_2 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 9 & -2 & -7 \\ 2 & -6 & 4 & 8 \\ 3 & -9 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



To identify row space

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow B_{RS} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ \frac{5}{4} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

To identify column space

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 9 & -2 & -7 \\ 2 & -6 & 4 & 8 \\ 3 & -9 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow B_{CS} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Check you work

Note: CS * RS = A

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ 2 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 9 & -2 & -7 \\ 2 & -6 & 4 & 8 \\ 3 & -9 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

You can extract the null space quickly by changing the sign of the non-pivot element and adding a pivot where the pivot would line up to an identity matrix but this is how to compute it.

To find Null space and Kernel

The 'Null Space' is the solution to Ax = 0.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_{1} - 3x_{2} + \frac{3}{2}x_{4} = 0$$

$$free : x_{2} = x_{2}$$

$$x_{3} + \frac{5}{4}x_{4} = 0$$

$$free : x_{4} = x_{4}$$



$$x_1 = 3x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_4$$

$$x_2 = x_2 + 0x_4$$

$$x_3 = 0x_2 - \frac{5}{4}x_4$$

$$x_4 = 0x_2 + x_4$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} x_2 + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-3}{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{-5}{4} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} x_4,$$



$$x_2 = 1 \land x_4 = 4$$

$$Kernal = B_{NS} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 3\\1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -6\\0\\-5\\4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Check your work A * NS = 0;

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 9 & -2 & -7 \\ 2 & -6 & 4 & 8 \\ 3 & -9 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 \\ 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

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

