# LECTURE 12 RECAP

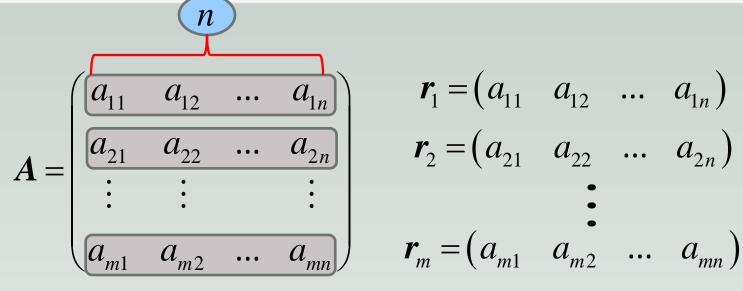
- 1) A theorem on the usefulness of knowing the dimension of a vector space.
- 2) Two more equivalent statements to "A is an invertible square matrix of order n."
- 3) Transition matrices: how to find and how to use.
- 4) Transition matrices are invertible and their inverses are also transition matrices.

# LECTURE 13

ROW SPACES AND COLUMN SPACES

# EFINITION

Given any  $m \times n$  matrix A,



$$\mathbf{r}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_2 = (a_{21} \quad a_{22} \quad \dots \quad a_{2n})$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{m} = (a_{m1} \quad a_{m2} \quad \dots \quad a_{mn})$$

The rows of A can be considered as vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

 $\Rightarrow$  span $\{r_1,r_2,...,r_m\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,

This subspace is called the row space of A.

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The columns of A can be considered as vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^{m}$ .

> $\Rightarrow$  span $\{c_1, c_2, ..., c_n\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ,

$$\boldsymbol{c}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{pmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{c}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \cdots \quad \boldsymbol{c}_n = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{This subspace is called the } \boldsymbol{column space} \text{ of } \boldsymbol{A}.$$

# REMARK

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

The row space of A is the column space of  $A^T$ 

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

The row space of A is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

The column space of A is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

Note that if A is not a square matrix, then the row space and column space of A contains totally 'different type' of vectors.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & r_1 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 & r_2 & \text{We write } r_1 = (2, -1, 0) \text{ (as a vector)} \\ -5 & 1 & 0 & r_3 & \text{rather than a row matrix } (2 & 1 & 0). \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 1 & r_4 & & \end{bmatrix}$$

The row space of A is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$= \operatorname{span}\{r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4\}$$

$$= \{a(2,1,0) + b(1,-1,3) + c(-5,1,0) + d(1,0,1) \mid a,b,c,d \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$= \{(2a+b-5c+d, -a-b+c, 3b+d) \mid a,b,c,d \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \\ -5 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

The column space of A is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

= span{
$$\boldsymbol{c}_1, \boldsymbol{c}_2, \boldsymbol{c}_3$$
}

$$= \left\{ a \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + b \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \middle| a,b,c \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2a-b \\ a-b+3c \\ -5a+b \\ a+c \end{pmatrix} \middle| a,b,c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

# NOTATION

We have observed that a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  can be identified as a row or matrix.

Henceforth, when we write

Identified with:

$$(u_1, u_2, ..., u_n) \longrightarrow \text{row vector} \qquad (u_1 \quad u_2 \quad ... \quad u_n)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & \dots & u_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(u_1, u_2, ..., u_n)^T$$
  $\longrightarrow$  column vector

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

How to find a basis for the row space or column space of A?

The row space of A is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

The column space of A is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

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How to find a basis for the row space or column space of A?

row space of  $A = \text{span}\{(1,0,-1,1,4),(0,1,4,2,1),(0,0,-2,0,1)\}$ 

If (1,0,-1,1,4), (0,1,4,2,1), (0,0,-2,0,1) (that is, the rows of A) are linearly independent, then obviously they will form a basis for the row space of A.

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row space of  $A = \text{span}\{(1,0,-1,1,4),(0,1,4,2,1),(0,0,-2,0,1)\}$ 

$$(0,0,0,0) = a(1,0,-1,1,4) + b(0,1,4,2,1) + c(0,0,-2,0,1)$$

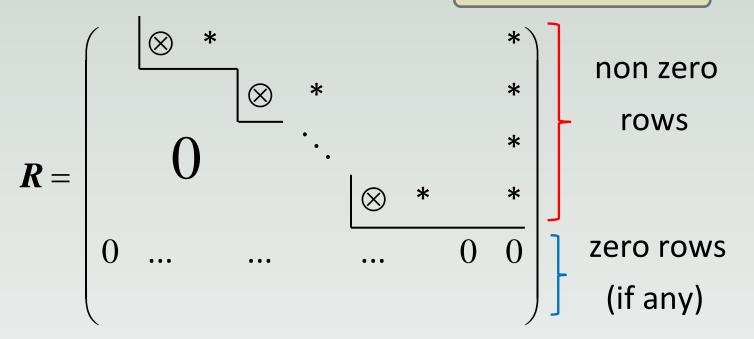
$$\Rightarrow a = 0, b = 0, c = 0$$

So the three rows of A are linearly independent and thus form a basis for the row space of A.

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

Note that *A* is in row echelon form.

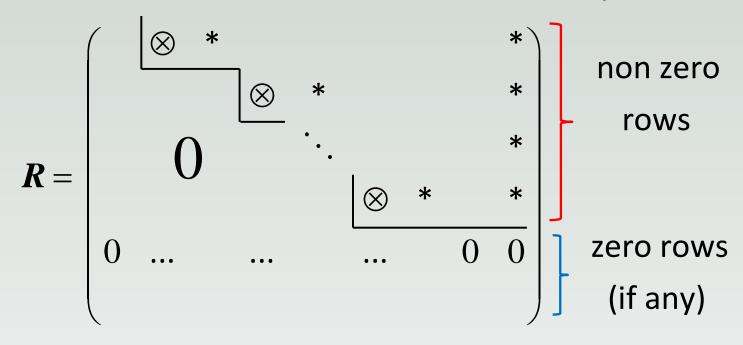
What if we want to find a basis for the row space of a matrix R that is in row echelon form?



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

Note that *A* is in row echelon form.

The non zero rows of R are always linearly independent and thus forms a basis for the row space of R.



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
How to find a basis for the row space or column space of  $A$ ?

column space of 
$$\mathbf{A} = \operatorname{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

column space of A is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,

 $\Rightarrow$  the dimension of this subspace is at most 3 So if we can identify 3 linearly independent vectors (out of the 5) from the set above...

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

How to find a basis for the row space or column space of A?

independent

column space of 
$$oldsymbol{A}=$$
 span

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$$A = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$
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Column space of A is the entire  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

# DISCUSSION

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

How to find a basis for the row space or column space of A?

That was based on observations...

Yes, you are right.

A more systematic approach is needed.

# DISCUSSION

Let S be the set of all matrices of the same size (say  $m \times n$ ).

Recall the definition of row equivalent.

Series of e.r.o 
$$A \longleftrightarrow B$$

 $m{A}$  and  $m{B}$  are row equivalent

Row equivalence is an equivalence relation on S.

(Reflexive) A is row equivalent to A

(Symmetric) If  $A \longleftrightarrow B$ , then  $B \longleftrightarrow A$ 

(Transitive) If  $A \longleftrightarrow B$  and  $B \longleftrightarrow C$  then  $A \longleftrightarrow C$ 

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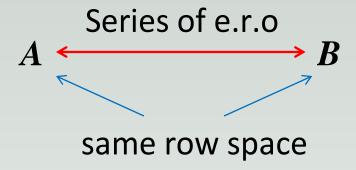
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Two matrices A and B (of the same size) are row equivalent if and only if they have a similar row-echelon form (or they have the same unique reduced row-echelon form).

### THEOREM

Let A and B be row equivalent matrices. Then the row space of A and the row space of B are identical.



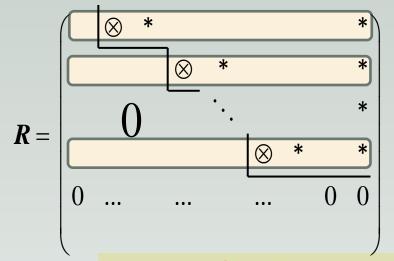
That is to say, performing elementary row operations on  $\boldsymbol{A}$  does not change its row space.



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span\{(0,0,1),(0,2,4),(\frac{1}{2},1,2)\}
= span\{(\frac{1}{2},1,2),(0,2,4),(0,0,1)\}
= span\{(1,2,4),(0,2,4),(0,0,1)\}
= span\{(1,0,0),(0,2,4),(0,0,1)\}
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# BACK TO THIS QUESTION

Question: How to find a basis for the row space of a matrix A?



The non zero rows of R are always linearly independent and thus forms a basis for the row space of R.

Answer:

Find a row-echelon form R of A.

A basis for the row space of R is also a basis for the row space of A.

Let A and B be row equivalent matrices. Then the row space of A and the row space of B are identical.

Find a basis for the row space of the following matrix.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Gaussian}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} & -3 & \frac{3}{2} \\ \hline Elimination \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Performing Gaussian Elimination on A:

A basis for the row space of A is

$$\{(2,2,-1,0,1),(0,0,\frac{3}{2},-3,\frac{3}{2}),(0,0,0,3,0)\}$$

#### FINDING BASIS FOR COLUMN SPACES

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

Ok, what about

column space of A

= row space of  $A^T$ 

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

 $A^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ 

1 2 0

4 1 1



Note the relationship between column space of A and row space of  $A^T$  ...

#### FINDING BASIS FOR COLUMN SPACES

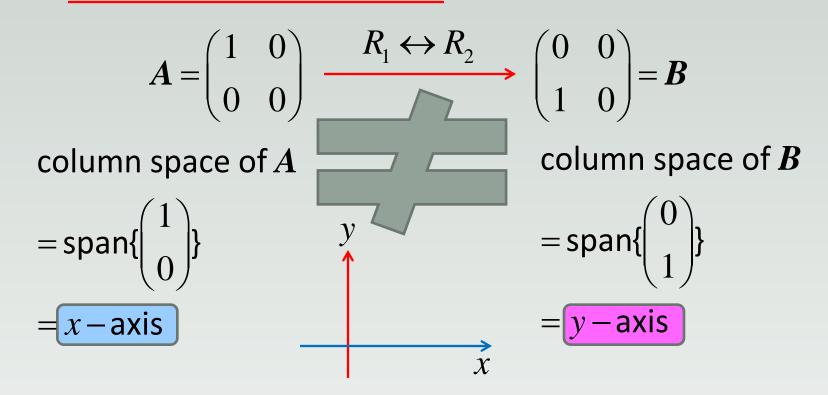
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 column space of  $A$  = row space of  $A^T$   $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

So to find a basis for the column space of A, we can use the previous method to find a basis for the row space of  $A^T$ .

In what follows, we will discuss another method.

# IMPORTANT TO NOTE

Elementary row operations preserve the row space of a matrix but NOT the column space.



# **THEOREM**

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A given set of columns of A is linearly independent if and only if the corresponding columns of B is linearly independent.

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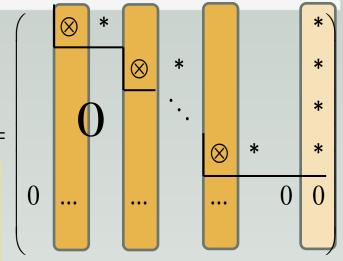
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# **OBSERVATION**

If R is a matrix in row echelon form, the pivot columns of R always form a basis for the column space of R.

Question: How to find a basis for the column space of a matrix A?



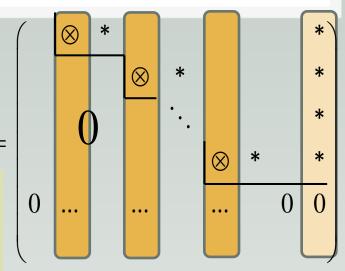
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#### FINDING A BASIS FOR COLUMN SPACE

If R is a matrix in row echelon form, the pivot columns of R always form a basis for the column space of R.

Question: How to find a basis for the column space of a matrix A?



#### Answer

Let R be a row echelon form of A.

Remember NOT to take the columns of R as your answer!

A basis for the column space of A can be obtained by taking the columns of A that correspond to the pivot columns in R.

Find a basis for the column space of the following matrix.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 Gaussian 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} & -3 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Performing Gaussian Elimination on A:

A basis for the column space of  $m{A}$  is

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

# APPLYING THIS KNOWLEDGE

Let  $u_1 = (1, 2, 0, 4)$ ,  $u_2 = (0, 1, 5, 0)$ ,  $u_3 = (-1, 3, 2, -4)$ ,  $u_4 = (2, 1, 0, 8)$ ,  $u_5 = (3, 1, -1, 12)$  and  $V = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5\}$ .

Find a basis for V.

There is no matrix in this question!

We can construct a matrix ourselves!

Let me show you two methods...



Let 
$$u_1 = (1, 2, 0, 4)$$
,  $u_2 = (0, 1, 5, 0)$ ,  $u_3 = (-1, 3, 2, -4)$ ,

$$u_4 = (2,1,0,8), u_5 = (3,1,-1,12) \text{ and } V = \text{span}\{u_1,u_2,u_3,u_4,u_5\}.$$

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same as "Find a basis for the row space of A".

$$Let A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 & 12 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Put the vectors as rows. So V is the row space of the matrix A.



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 $\{(1,2,0,4),(0,1,5,0),(0,0,-23,0)\}$ is a basis for V.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{Gaussian} \\ \text{Elimination} \\ \text{Gaussian} \\ \text{Elimination} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -23 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{R}$$

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Let 
$$u_1 = (1, 2, 0, 4)$$
,  $u_2 = (0, 1, 5, 0)$ ,  $u_3 = (-1, 3, 2, -4)$ ,

$$u_4 = (2,1,0,8), u_5 = (3,1,-1,12) \text{ and } V = \text{span}\{u_1,u_2,u_3,u_4,u_5\}.$$

Find a basis for V.

same as "Find a basis for the column space of B"

Let 
$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 4 & 0 & -4 & 8 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$
.

Note that

$$\boldsymbol{B} = \boldsymbol{A}^T$$

Method 1)

Put the vectors as columns. So V is (A from the columns space of the matrix  $\boldsymbol{B}$ .



Let 
$$u_1 = (1, 2, 0, 4)$$
,  $u_2 = (0, 1, 5, 0)$ ,  $u_3 = (-1, 3, 2, -4)$ ,

$$u_4 = (2,1,0,8), u_5 = (3,1,-1,12) \text{ and } V = \text{span}\{u_1,u_2,u_3,u_4,u_5\}.$$

Find a basis for V.

same as "Find a basis for the column space of B".

 $\{(1,2,0,4),(0,1,5,0),(-1,3,2,-4)\}$  is a basis for V.

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -4 & 8 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Gaussian}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & -3 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 23 & 15 & 24 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = R$$

# METHOD 1 VS METHOD 2

Let 
$$u_1 = (1, 2, 0, 4)$$
,  $u_2 = (0, 1, 5, 0)$ ,  $u_3 = (-1, 3, 2, -4)$ ,

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Find a basis for V.

#### Method 1

 $\{(1,2,0,4),(0,1,5,0),(0,0,-23,0)\}$  is a basis for V.

#### Method 2

 $\{(1,2,0,4),(0,1,5,0),(-1,3,2,-4)\}$  is a basis for V.

 $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  is a basis for V.

The basis found using Method 2 will always be a subset of  $\{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5\}$ .

$$S = \{(1,4,-2,5,1),(2,9,-1,8,2),(2,9,-1,9,3)\}.$$

- 1) Show that S is a linearly independent set.
- 2) Extend S to a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

Here we mean add vectors to the set S so that the resulting set becomes a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

How many vectors do we need to add?



#### COLUMN SPACE AND LINEAR SYSTEMS

$$\begin{cases} 2x - y & = -1 \\ x - y + 3z = 4 \\ -5x + y & = -2 \\ x + z = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\Leftrightarrow Ax = b$  where

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

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \qquad b = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### COLUMN SPACE AND LINEAR SYSTEMS

$$\begin{cases} 2x - y &= -1 \\ x - y + 3z &= 4 \\ -5x + y &= -2 \\ x &+ z &= 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \begin{vmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -5 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} + y \begin{vmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} + z \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{vmatrix}$$
(\*)

$$\Leftrightarrow Ax = b$$

- Ax = b is consistent means x, y, z can be found to satisfy (\*)
- $\Rightarrow$  **b** is a linear combination of the columns of **A**.

That is, b belongs to the column space of A.

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- $\Rightarrow Ax = b$  is consistent
- $\Rightarrow x, y, z \text{ can be found}$ to satisfy (\*)
- $\Rightarrow$  **b** is a linear combination of the columns of **A**.

 $m{b}$  belongs to the column space of  $m{A}$ .

#### THEOREM

Let A be a  $m \times n$  matrix. Then the column space of A is

$$\left\{ \mathbf{A} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix} \middle| u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u} \mid \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n \right\}$$

A system of linear equations Ax = b is consistent if and only if b lies in the column space of A.



#### END OF LECTURE 14

LECTURE 15: RANKS NULLSPACE AND NULLITY (END OF CHAPTER 4)