

# MATH 230 - Lecture 26 (04/14/2011)

Dimension of a vector space = # elements in any basis

Prob 19, pg 244

$$\bar{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 9 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 11 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad H = \text{span}\{\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2, \bar{u}_3\}.$$

It can be shown that  $4\bar{u}_1 + 5\bar{u}_2 - 3\bar{u}_3 = \bar{0}$ . Find a basis for  $H$  (without doing EROs).

$\{\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2, \bar{u}_3\}$  is LD, so cannot be a basis for  $H$ .

We can see that  $\bar{u}_i \neq c\bar{u}_j$  for  $i, j = 1, 2, 3, i \neq j$ .

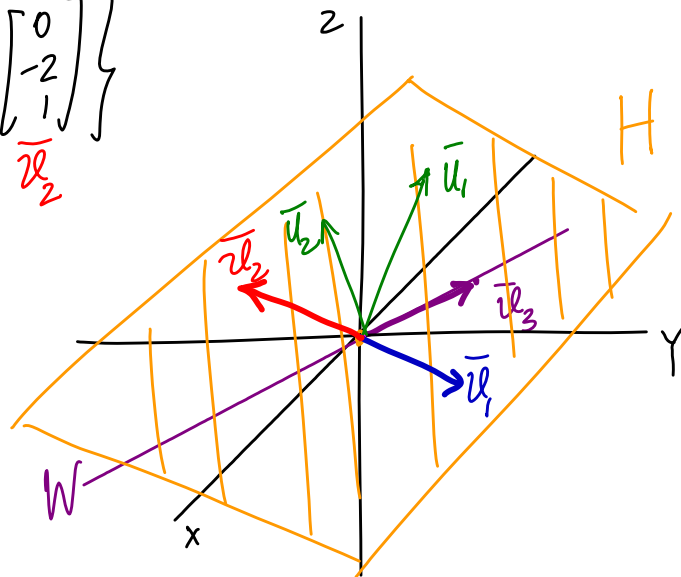
Hence  $\{\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2\}$  is LI, and  $\text{span}\{\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2\} = \text{span}\{\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2, \bar{u}_3\}$  (since  $4\bar{u}_1 + 5\bar{u}_2 - 3\bar{u}_3 = \bar{0}$ ). Hence  $\{\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2\}$  span  $H$ , and hence is a basis for  $H$ .

Similarly, we can pick  $\{\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_3\}$  or  $\{\bar{u}_2, \bar{u}_3\}$  as bases for  $H$ .

Here,  $\dim H = \text{dimension of } H = 2$ .

$$H = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$\dim H = 2$  as  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 $\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2$   
 is a basis.



$$W = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$\bar{u}_3$

$\dim W = 1.$

$$\text{span} \{ \bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2 \} = H$$

Prob 12, pg 261

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

Find the dimension of the subspace spanned by these vectors.  $\rightarrow H$

Note:  $\dim H < 4$ , as 4 vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are L.D.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -8 & -3 \\ -2 & 4 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 + 2R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -8 & -3 \\ 0 & -2 & -10 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 + 2R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & -8 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for  $H$ .  $\dim H = 3$ .

If  $H = \{\vec{0}\}$ ,  $\dim H = 0$ , as  $\{\vec{0}\}$  is not LI.

## Basis Theorem (Theorem 12, DL-LAA pg 259)

Let  $V$  be a vector space with  $\dim V = p \geq 1$ . Any LI subset of exactly  $p$  elements in  $V$  is a basis for  $V$ . Also, any subset of  $p$  elements that span  $V$  is a basis for  $V$ .

- \*  $\dim V = p \leadsto \# \text{ elements in a basis}$
- \* basis has LI elements
- \* basis spans  $V$ .

→ two of these three results imply the third.

If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

$\dim \text{Col } A = \# \text{ pivot columns in } A \leq m$

$\dim \text{Nul } A = \# \text{ free variables in } A \leq n$

(we can have all  $n$  variables free if  $A$  is the  $m \times n$  zero matrix).

Prob 21, pg 261

Show that  $\{1, 2t, -2+4t^2, -12t+8t^3\}$  Hermite polynomials

forms a basis for  $\mathbb{P}_3$ .

Note:  $\dim \mathbb{P}_3 = 4$ . In general,  $\dim \mathbb{P}_n = n+1$ .  
"corresponds to"

$$p(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_3 t^3 \iff \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Hence } \{1, 2t, -2+4t^2, -12t+8t^3\} \iff \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -12 \\ 0 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} \mid a_j \in \mathbb{R}, j=0,1,2,3 \right\} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -12 \\ 0 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \right\},$$

○: pivots

And these four vectors are L.I.

Hence  $\{1, 2t, -2+4t^2, -12t+8t^3\}$  span  $\mathbb{P}_3$ .

(prob 15, pg 181, section 2-9)

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 5}$ , has 3 pivot columns.

Is  $\text{Col} A = \mathbb{R}^3$ ? Is  $\text{Nul} A = \mathbb{R}^2$ ? What are  $\dim \text{Col} A$  and  $\dim \text{Nul} A$ ?

$\text{Col} A = \mathbb{R}^3$ . The columns of  $A$  are in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  as  $A$  is  $3 \times 5$ . Since  $A$  has 3 pivots, there is a pivot in every row, hence the columns span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , i.e.,  $\text{Col} A = \mathbb{R}^3$ .

$\text{Nul} A$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ , and hence cannot be  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . But  $\dim \text{Nul} A = 2$  here.

$\dim \text{Col} A = \# \text{ pivot columns} = 3.$

as there are 2 free variables.

(Section 4.6)

Def  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $\dim \text{Col} A$  is called the rank of the matrix  $A$  (written as  $\text{rank} A$  or  $\text{rank}(A)$ ).

So,  $\text{rank} A = \# \text{ pivot columns in } A.$

# Rank Theorem (Theorem 14, DL-LAA pg 265)

If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , then

$$\text{rank } A + \dim \text{Nul } A = n$$

Prob Create a  $3 \times 4$  matrix  $A$  of rank 2.  
What is  $\dim \text{Nul } A$ ?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ has 2 pivots and hence } \text{rank } A = 2$$

Since  $\text{rank } A + \dim \text{Nul } A = n = 4$ ,

$$\dim \text{Nul } A = 2.$$

The columns 1, 3, 5, and 6 of  $A$  are LI, and  $\text{rank } A = 4$ . Explain why these four columns must be a basis for  $\text{Col } A$ .

Since  $\text{rank } A = \dim \text{Col } A = 4$ , any 4 LI columns of  $A$  form a basis for  $\text{Col } A$  (Basis Theorem).

# Invertible Matrix Theorem (IMT) → See Lecture 17 for original statement of IMT.

(a)  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is invertible

(m) Columns of  $A$  form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(n)  $\text{Col } A = \mathbb{R}^n$

(o)  $\dim \text{Col } A = n$

(p)  $\text{rank } A = n$

(q)  $\text{Nul } A = \{\vec{0}\}$

(r)  $\dim \text{Nul } A = 0$ .