

# Announcements Feb 25

- Keeps tabs on your grades in TSquare
- WebWork 2.3 and 2.5 due Thursday
- Homework 5 due in class Friday (use a computer)
- Quiz 5 on 2.3 and 2.5 in class Friday
- Midterm 2 in class **Friday Mar 11 on Chapters 2 & 3**
- Office Hours Tuesday and **Wednesday** 2-3, after class, and by appt in Skiles 244 **or 236**
- LA Office Hours: Scott Mon 12-1, Yashvi Mon 2-3, Baishen Wed 4-5, Matt Thu 3-4, Shivang Fri 10:30-11 + 12:30-1
- Math Lab, Clough 280
  - Regular hours: Mon/Wed 11-5 and Tue/Thu 11-5
  - Math 1553 hours: Mon-Thu 5-6 and Tue/Thu 11-12
  - LA hours: Matt Tue 11-12, Scott Tue 5-6, Baishen Thu 11-12, Yashvi/Shivang Thu 5-6

# Section 2.8

Subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

# Subspaces

A **subspace** of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a subset  $V$  with:

1. The zero vector is in  $V$ .
2. If  $u$  and  $v$  are in  $V$ , then  $u + v$  is also in  $V$ .
3. If  $u$  is in  $V$  and  $c$  is in  $\mathbb{R}$ , then  $cu \in V$ .

*Examples*

## Spans are subspaces

*Fact.* Any  $\text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  is a subspace.

Why?

Note the following.

- If  $V = \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ , say  $V$  is the subspace **generated by**  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$ .

# Which are subspaces?

## Poll

Which are subspaces? For those that are not subspaces, which part of the definition fails?

1.  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^2 \mid a = 0 \right\}$
2.  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^2 \mid a + b = 0 \right\}$
3.  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^2 \mid ab = 0 \right\}$
4.  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^2 \mid ab \neq 0 \right\}$
5.  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^2 \mid a, b \text{ rational} \right\}$

## Subspaces are spans

*Fact.* Every subspace  $V$  is equal to some span.

Why?

We already said that all spans were subspaces, so now we know that three things are the same:

## Column Space and Null Space

$A = m \times n$  matrix.

$\text{Col}(A) = \text{column space of } A = \text{span of the columns of } A$

$\text{Nul}(A) = \text{null space of } A = \text{set of solutions to } Ax = 0$

*Example.*  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Then  $\text{Col}(A) =$

$\text{Nul}(A) =$

## Column Space and Null Space

$A = m \times n$  matrix.

$\text{Col}(A) =$  subspace of

$\text{Nul}(A) =$  subspace of

Why?

Note that it is easier to check that  $\text{Nul}(A)$  is a subspace than it is to check that  $\text{Nul}(A)$  is a span.



# Bases

$V =$  subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

A **basis** for  $V$  is a set of vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  such that

1.  $V = \text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$
2. the  $v_i$  are linearly independent

$\dim(V) =$  **dimension** of  $V = k$

Q. What is one basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ?  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ?

## Bases for $\text{Nul}(A)$ and $\text{Col}(A)$

Q. Find bases for  $\text{Nul}(A)$  and  $\text{Col}(A)$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Bases for $\text{Nul}(A)$ and $\text{Col}(A)$

In general:

- our usual parametric solution for  $Ax = 0$  gives a basis for  $\text{Nul}(A)$
- the pivot columns of  $A$  form a basis for  $\text{Col}(A)$

**Warning!** Not the pivot columns of the reduced matrix.

Fact. If  $A = n \times n$  matrix, then:

$$A \text{ is invertible} \Leftrightarrow \text{Col}(A) =$$