

# Lecture 6

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- 1  $S$  spans  $V$ ;<sup>1</sup> and
- 2  $S$  is linearly independent.

(The plural of basis is bases.)

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is consistent for every  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

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Thus, there would be no way to express the polynomial  $x^{n+1}$  as a linear combination of the polynomials in  $S$ , contradicting the fact that the vectors in  $S$  span  $\mathbb{P}$ .

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Some other infinite dimensional vector spaces are

$$\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}} = \{\text{all sequences of real numbers}\}$$

$$F(-\infty, \infty) = \{\text{all functions } f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$$

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## Coordinates Relative to a Basis

### Theorem

If  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  is a basis for a vector space  $V$ , then every vector  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $V$  can be expressed in the form

$$\mathbf{v} = c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{v}_n$$

in exactly one way.

Now we can start talking about coordinates in a general vector space  $V$ .

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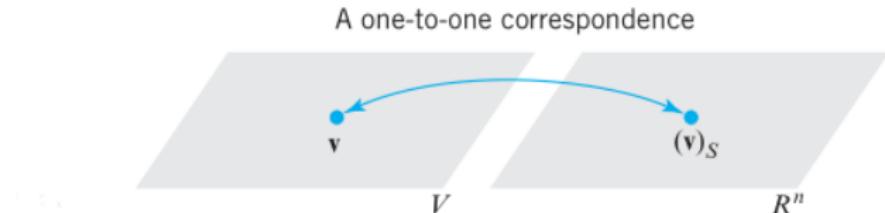
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$$(\mathbf{v})_S = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n).$$

## Remark

When we do coordinate, the order of the vectors in  $S$  is important. Some books use the term *ordered basis* which means a basis in which the order of the vectors is fixed.

Observe that  $(\mathbf{v})_S$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , so that once an ordered basis  $S$  is given for a vector space  $V$ , Theorem 4.4.1 establishes a one-to-one correspondence between vectors in  $V$  and vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (Figure 4.4.6).



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## Example

$V = \mathbb{R}^3$ . Standard basis  $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$ .

If  $\mathbf{v} = (a, b, c)$  is any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , then

$$\mathbf{v} = a\mathbf{i} + b\mathbf{j} + c\mathbf{k} \implies (\mathbf{v})_S = (a, b, c).$$

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Find the coordinate vector for the polynomial

$$\mathbf{p}(x) = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + \dots + c_nx^n$$

relative to the standard basis for the vector space  $\mathbb{P}^n$ .

The standard basis for  $\mathbb{P}^n$  is  $S = \{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$ . So clearly

$$(\mathbf{p})_S = (c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n).$$

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Engineers often use the term *degrees of freedom* as a synonym for dimension.

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Let  $V$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector space, and let  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  be any basis.

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- 2 If a set in  $V$  has fewer than  $n$  vectors, then it does not span  $V$ .

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- Similarly  $\dim(\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}) = mn$ .

## ► EXAMPLE 2 Dimension of $\text{Span}(S)$

If  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r\}$  then every vector in  $\text{span}(S)$  is expressible as a linear combination of the vectors in  $S$ . Thus, if the vectors in  $S$  are *linearly independent*, they automatically form a basis for  $\text{span}(S)$ , from which we can conclude that

$$\dim[\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r\}] = r$$

In words, the dimension of the space spanned by a linearly independent set of vectors is equal to the number of vectors in that set.

## Example (Dimension of a Solution Space)

Find a basis for and the dimension of the solution space of the homogeneous linear system

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 3x_2 - 2x_3 + 2x_5 = 0 \\ 2x_1 + 6x_2 - 5x_3 - 2x_4 + 4x_5 - 3x_6 = 0 \\ 5x_3 + 10x_4 + 15x_6 = 0 \\ 2x_1 + 6x_2 + 8x_4 + 4x_5 + 18x_6 = 0. \end{cases}$$

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We can write this as

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6) &= (-3x_2 - 4x_4 - 2x_5, x_2, -2x_4, x_4, x_5, 0) \\ &= x_2(-3, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0) + x_4(-4, 0, -2, 1, 0, 0) \\ &\quad + x_5(-2, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0). \end{aligned}$$

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Therefore the solution space has dimension 3.

## Some More Theorems

Theorem (The Basis Theorem<sup>3</sup>)

Let  $V$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector space, and let  $S$  be a set in  $V$  with exactly  $n$  vectors. Then the following are equivalent:

- 1  $S$  is a basis for  $V$ ;
- 2  $S$  spans  $V$ ;
- 3  $S$  is linearly independent.

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<sup>3</sup>page 245 in your textbook

## ► EXAMPLE 5 Bases by Inspection

- (a) Explain why the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1 = (-3, 7)$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = (5, 5)$  form a basis for  $R^2$ .
- (b) Explain why the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1 = (2, 0, -1)$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = (4, 0, 7)$ , and  $\mathbf{v}_3 = (-1, 1, 4)$  form a basis for  $R^3$ .

**Solution (a)** Since neither vector is a scalar multiple of the other, the two vectors form a linearly independent set in the two-dimensional space  $R^2$ , and hence they form a basis by Theorem 4.5.4.

**Solution (b)** The vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  form a linearly independent set in the  $xz$ -plane (why?). The vector  $\mathbf{v}_3$  is outside of the  $xz$ -plane, so the set  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$  is also linearly independent. Since  $R^3$  is three-dimensional, Theorem 4.5.4 implies that  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$  is a basis for the vector space  $R^3$ . ◀

## Theorem

Let  $S$  be a finite set of vectors in a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ .

- 1 If  $S$  spans  $V$  but is not a basis for  $V$ , then  $S$  can be reduced to a basis for  $V$  by removing appropriate vectors from  $S$ .
- 2 If  $S$  is a linearly independent set that is not already a basis for  $V$ , then  $S$  can be enlarged to a basis for  $V$  by inserting appropriate vectors into  $S$ .

## Theorem

*If  $W$  is a subspace of a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ , then:*

- 1**  $W$  is finite-dimensional;
- 2**  $\dim(W) \leq \dim(V)$ ; and
- 3**  $W = V$  if and only if  $\dim(W) = \dim(V)$ .



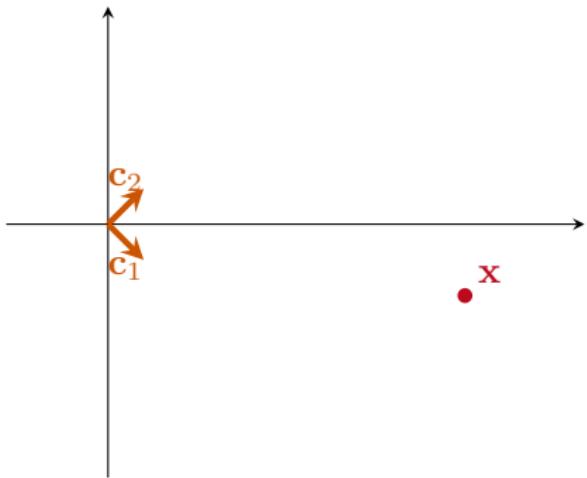
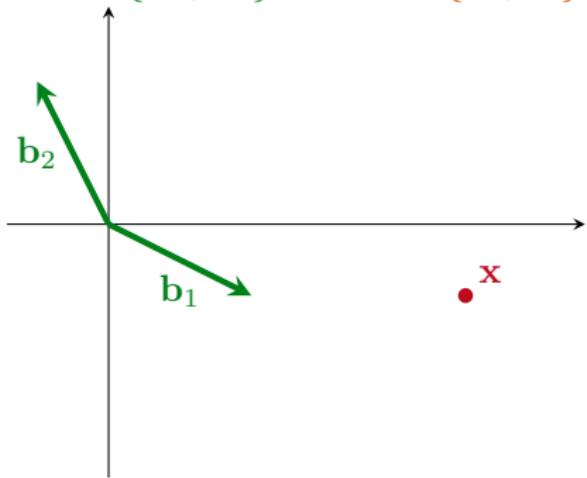
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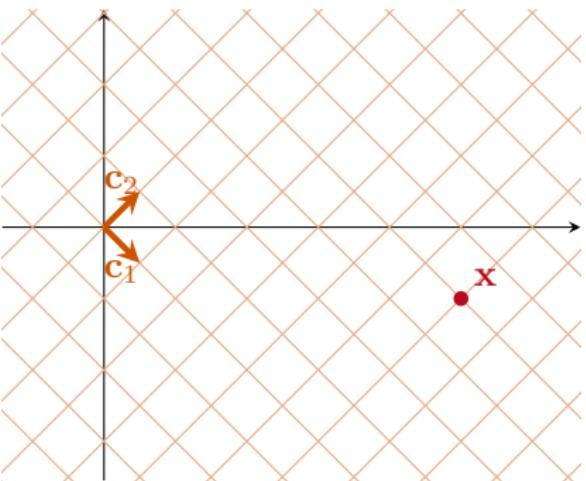
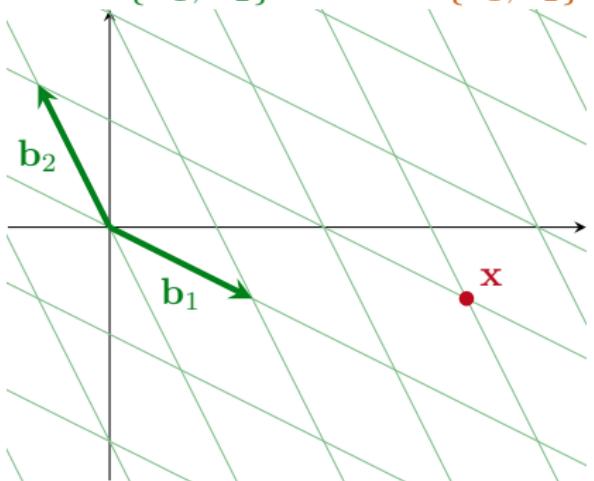
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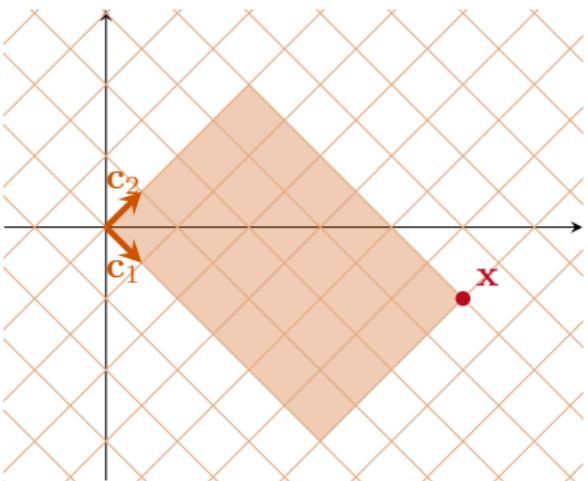
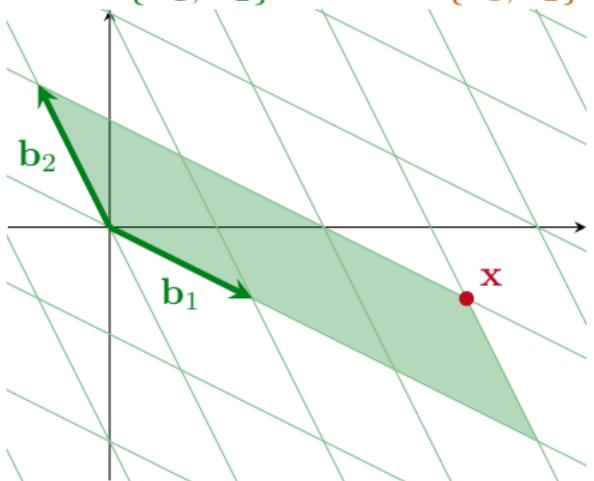
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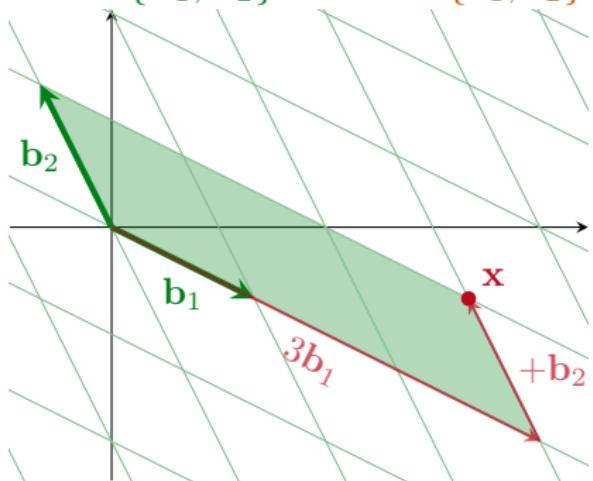
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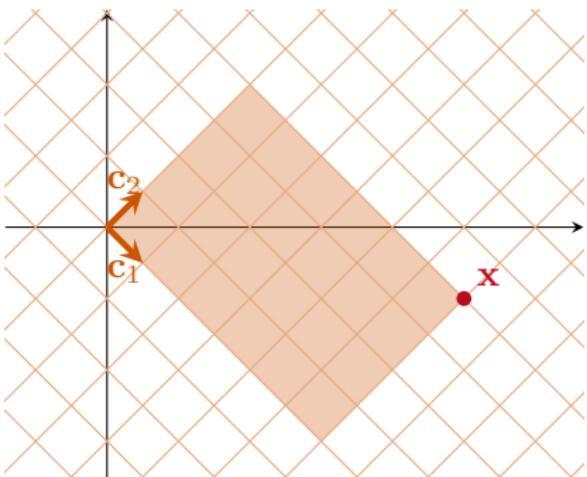
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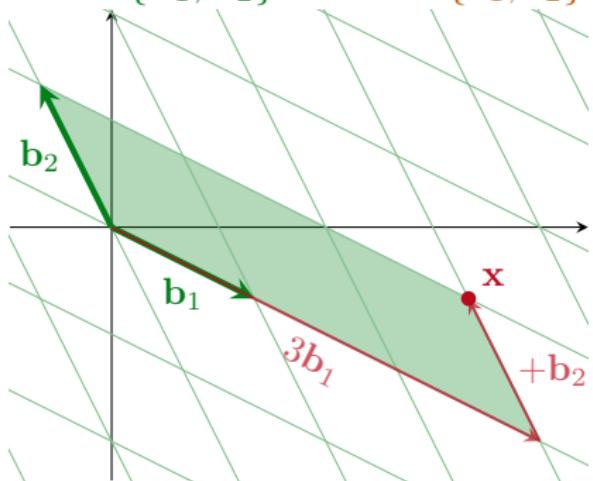
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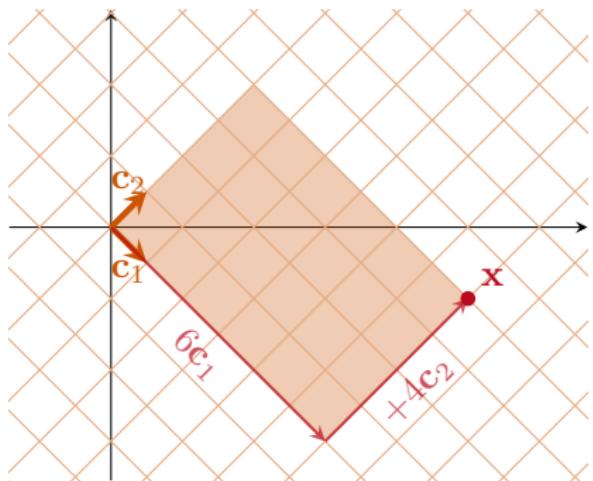
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$$\mathbf{b}_1 = 4\mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2, \quad \mathbf{b}_2 = -6\mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2$$

and that the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  has coordinates  $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}}$ .

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$$[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}} = P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} [\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

The columns of  $P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$  are the  $\mathcal{C}$ -coordinate vectors of the vectors in the basis  $\mathcal{B}$ . That is,

$$P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} [\mathbf{b}_1]_{\mathcal{C}} & [\mathbf{b}_2]_{\mathcal{C}} & \cdots & [\mathbf{b}_n]_{\mathcal{C}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

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# Break

We will continue at 3pm



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- (a) Find the change of coordinates matrix from  $\mathcal{A}$  to  $\mathcal{B}$ .

**Solution:**

$$[\mathbf{a}_1]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad [\mathbf{a}_2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad [\mathbf{a}_3]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow P = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) Find  $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$  for  $\mathbf{x} = 3\mathbf{a}_1 + 4\mathbf{a}_2 + \mathbf{a}_3$ .

**Solution:**

$$[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow [\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = P[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Change of Basis



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$$[W|V] \sim \left[ I \mid P_{W \leftarrow V} \right] \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & 1 & -3 & -3 \\ 4 & 3 & 6 & 0 & -3 & -5 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 3 & -7 & -5 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 4 & -11 & -9 \end{array} \right]$$
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- (c) 5 points Find the coordinates of  $\mathbf{v}$  relative to  $W$  by using  $P_{W \leftarrow V}$ .

**Solution:**

$$[\mathbf{v}]_W = P_{W \leftarrow V} [\mathbf{v}]_V = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -9 & -8 \\ 2 & -3 & -1 \\ -3 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Remark

I think that the 2019 question (below) is easier than the 2018 question (above), but I remember that the 2019 marks were lower than the 2018 marks.



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The *row vectors* of  $A$  are the vectors

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⋮

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The *column vectors of A* are the vectors

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The *null space* of  $A$  is the subspace

$$\text{Nul } A = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n.$$

# Row Space, Column Space, and Null Space

Consider  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  where

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Note that

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Theorem

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \text{ is consistent} \iff \mathbf{b} \in \text{Col } A$$

## ► EXAMPLE 2 A Vector $\mathbf{b}$ in the Column Space of $A$

Let  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  be the linear system

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -9 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Show that  $\mathbf{b}$  is in the column space of  $A$  by expressing it as a linear combination of the column vectors of  $A$ .

**Solution** Solving the system by Gaussian elimination yields (verify)

$$x_1 = 2, \quad x_2 = -1, \quad x_3 = 3$$

It follows from this and Formula (2) that

$$2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -9 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

# Row Space, Column Space, and Null Space



## Example

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & -5 & 7 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & -8 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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We calculate that

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Therefore the answer is YES.

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2 Is  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\text{Col } A$ ?

Since  $A$  is a  $3 \times 4$  matrix,  $\text{Col } A$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . But  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ . Therefore the answer is NO.

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3 Is  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\text{Nul } A$ ?

NO, because  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , but  $\text{Nul } A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4$ .

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Setting  $x_4 = 1$  and then  $x_5 = 1$  (and the other two to 0) gives us the other two vectors in  $\text{Nul } A$ .

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- the column vectors with the pivots (i.e. the pivot columns) form a basis for the column space of  $R$ .

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Therefore

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If we write these vectors as columns of a matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_2 & \mathbf{v}_3 & \mathbf{v}_4 & \mathbf{v}_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 5 \\ -2 & -5 & 1 & -1 & -8 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 & -7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

then we just need to find a basis for  $\text{Col } A$ .

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