

Ex: Find a basis and state the dimension of the subspace

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 4s \\ -3s \\ -t \end{pmatrix} \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

This subspace is  $H = \text{span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$  where  $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and

$\vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Since  $\vec{v}_1$  and  $\vec{v}_2$  are not multiples of

each other,  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$  is linearly independent and is

thus a basis for  $H$ . Therefore  $\dim H = 2$ .

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$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a+b \\ 2a \\ 3a-b \\ -b \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

This subspace is  $H = \text{span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$  where  $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and

$\vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Since  $\vec{v}_1$  and  $\vec{v}_2$  are not multiples of

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$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3a+6b-c \\ 6a-2b-2c \\ -9a+5b+3c \\ -3a+b+c \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

This subspace is  $H = \text{span} \{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3 \}$  where

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ -9 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since  $\vec{v}_1 = -3\vec{v}_3$ ,  $\{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3 \}$  is linearly dependent.

Remove  $\vec{v}_3$  to obtain  $H = \text{span} \{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \}$ . Now  $\{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \}$

is linearly independent since they are not multiples

of each other. Thus  $\{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \}$  is a basis for  $H$  and

$\dim H = 2$ .

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$$\{(a, b, c, d) \mid a - 3b + c = 0\}.$$

From the equation  $a - 3b + c = 0$ , we have that  $a = 3b - c$ .

$$\text{It follows that } \begin{pmatrix} 3b - c \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix} = b \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + d \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This subspace is  $H = \text{span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$  where

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } \vec{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

this set is linearly independent since

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \sim \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \sim \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

has only the trivial solution. Thus  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$  is a

basis for  $H$  and  $\dim H = 3$ .

Ex 1 Find the dimension of the subspace  $H$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  spanned by

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

This subspace is  $H = \text{span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$  where

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since  $\vec{v}_2 = -2\vec{v}_1$ ,  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$  is linearly dependent.

Remove  $\vec{v}_2$  to obtain  $H = \text{span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3\}$ . Now

$\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3\}$  is linearly independent since they are

not multiples of each other. Thus  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3\}$  is a

basis for  $H$  and  $\dim H = 2$ .

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Ex: Find the dimension of the subspace spanned by

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

The matrix  $A$  with these vectors as its columns is

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

Matrix  $A$  row reduces to  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

There are three pivot columns,  $\Rightarrow$  the dimension of  $\text{Col}(A)$  (which is the dimension of the subspace spanned by the vectors) is 3.

Ex: Find the dimensions of  $\text{Nul } A$  and  $\text{Col } A$  for

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -4 & 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$\dim \text{Col } A = 3$  since there are 3 pivot columns.

$\dim \text{Nul } A = 3$  since there are 3 columns without pivots and hence 3 free variables.

Ex: Find the dimensions of  $\text{Nul } A$  and  $\text{Col } A$  for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -6 & 10 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$\dim \text{Col } A = 2$  since there are 2 pivot columns.

$\dim \text{Nul } A = 0$  since there are no columns without pivots.

Note that  $\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 3 & 4 & 0 \\ -6 & 10 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right].$

thus  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  has only the trivial solution and

$$\text{Nul } A = \{ \vec{0} \}.$$



Ex: Find the dimensions of  $\text{Nul } A$  and  $\text{Col } A$  for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$\dim \text{Col } A = 2$  since there are 2 pivot columns.

$\dim \text{Nul } A = 1$  since there is one column without a pivot and hence one free variable.

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Ex: Assume that matrix  $A$  is row equivalent to  $B$ .

Find rank  $A$  and  $\dim \text{Nul } A$ . Find bases for  $\text{Col } A$ ,  $\text{Row } A$ , and  $\text{Nul } A$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 4 & -1 & 9 \\ -2 & 6 & -6 & -1 & -10 \\ -3 & 9 & -6 & -6 & -3 \\ 3 & -9 & 4 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 5 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -3 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{rank } A = \dim \text{Col } A = 3, \quad \dim \text{Nul } A = 2$$

$$\text{Basis for Col } A \text{ is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \\ -6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ -10 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

$$B \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3x_2 - 5x_4 \\ x_2 \\ \frac{3}{2}x_4 \\ x_4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Basis for Nul } A \text{ is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

A basis for Row  $A$  is the pivot rows of  $B$ :

$$\left\{ (1, -3, 0, 5, -7), (0, 0, 2, -3, 8), (0, 0, 0, 0, 5) \right\}.$$

Ep: Assume that matrix  $A$  is row-equivalent to  $B$ .

List rank  $A$  and  $\dim \text{Nul } A$ . Find bases for  $\text{Col } A$ ,  $\text{Row } A$ , and  $\text{Nul } A$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3 & 7 & 9 & -9 \\ 1 & 2 & -4 & 10 & 13 & -12 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & -3 & 1 & -5 & -7 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & -5 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3 & 7 & 9 & -9 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 & 4 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{rank } A = \dim \text{Col } A = 3, \quad \dim \text{Nul } A = 3$$

$$\text{Basis for Col } A \text{ is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 10 \\ 1 \\ -5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

$$B \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 9 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 7 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \\ x_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_3 - 9x_5 - 2x_6 \\ x_3 - 7x_5 - 3x_6 \\ x_3 \\ x_3 + 2x_6 \\ x_5 \\ x_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Basis for Nul } A \text{ is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ -7 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

A basis for  $\text{Row } A$  is the pivot rows of  $B$ :

$$\left\{ (1, 1, -3, 7, 9, -9), (0, 1, -1, 3, 4, -3), (0, 0, 0, 1, -1, -2) \right\}.$$