

Name: Solutions

Consider the matrix

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

(a) Find a basis for the row space of A .

$$\text{RREF is } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Basis is } \{(1\ 3\ 0\ 2\ 3), (0\ 0\ 1\ 1\ 1)\}.$$

(Alternatively $\{(1\ 3\ 1\ 3\ 4), (0\ 0\ 1\ 1\ 1)\}$ if using REF).

(b) Find a basis for the column space of A .

$$\text{Basis is } \{(1\ 0\ 0\ 0)^T, (1\ 1\ 2\ 3)^T\}.$$

(c) What is the rank of A ? What is the nullity of A ?

Rank is 2.

Nullity is 3.