

**Row space of a matrix**

$$A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} R_1 \\ R_2 \\ \vdots \\ R_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Row space}(A) = \text{span}\{R_1, R_2, \dots, R_m\}$$

Row equivalent matrices have the same row space.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 & -7 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & -16 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{8}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} R2 \leftarrow R2 - 2R1 \\ R3 \leftarrow R3 - 3R1 \end{matrix} \qquad R3 \leftarrow R3 - 2R2 \qquad \begin{matrix} R2 \leftarrow R2/3 \\ R1 \leftarrow R1 + R2 \end{matrix}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -4 & 11 \\ 2 & 4 & -5 & 14 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -4 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{8}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} R2 \leftarrow R2 - 2R1 \\ R2 \leftarrow R2/3 \\ R1 \leftarrow R1 + 4R2 \end{matrix}$$

dependent  
columns  
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$$RREF(A) = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \mathbb{I}_k & \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

A and B are row equivalent with row space spanned by  $\{1,2,0,\frac{1}{3}\}$  &  $\{0,0,1,-\frac{8}{3}\}$

Number of independent rows = Number of independent columns  
 $\dim[\text{row}(A)] = \dim[\text{column}(A)]$

## Column space of a matrix

Column space of a matrix is the vector space spanned by the columns of the matrix.

$$A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n} \equiv (C_1 \ C_2 \ \cdots \ C_n) \qquad \text{Column space}(A) = \text{span}\{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n\}$$

When a matrix multiplied by a column vector the resultant vector is in column space of A.

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ax + by \\ cx + dy \end{pmatrix} = x \begin{pmatrix} a \\ c \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} b \\ d \end{pmatrix}$$

In general  $Ax$  is a linear combination of columns of A.

From the previous example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{8}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = RREF(A)$$

$$A \equiv (C_1 \ C_2 \ C_3 \ C_4)$$

$$RREF(A) \equiv (C'_1 \ C'_2 \ C'_3 \ C'_4)$$

$$C'_2 = \alpha_1 C'_1 \leftrightarrow C_2 = \beta_1 C_1$$

$$C'_4 = \alpha_1 C'_1 + \alpha_3 C'_3 \leftrightarrow C_4 = \beta_1 C_1 + \beta_3 C_3$$

Columns of A corresponding to the pivot columns of  $RREF(A)$  form the basis of column space.

**From an earlier example:**

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 6 & -1 & 1 & -7 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 5 & 8 & -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Pivot columns  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  &  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  are linearly independent.

A basis for column space  $\left( \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right)$

Dimension of column space = no. of pivot columns = 2

If  $A \in M_{m,n}(F)$  then  $\dim(\text{col}(A)) + \dim(\text{null}(A)) = n$

A necessary and sufficient condition that  $Ax=b$  has a solution is that  $b$  is spanned by the columns vectors of  $A$ .

$$Ax = b \implies \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{pmatrix} \implies x_1 \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} + \cdots + x_n \begin{pmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \implies x_1 \bar{c}_1 + x_2 \bar{c}_2 + \cdots + x_n \bar{c}_n = \bar{b}$$

### Example

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 = 0 \\ 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 7x_3 = 0 \\ 3x_1 + 3x_2 + 9x_3 = 0 \end{pmatrix} \implies \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 7 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 9 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xRightarrow{\substack{R2 \leftarrow R2 - 2R1 \\ R3 \leftarrow R3 - 3R1}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xRightarrow{R2 \leftarrow -R2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xRightarrow{R3 \leftarrow R3 + 3R2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xRightarrow{R1 \leftarrow R1 - 2R2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_3 &= 0 \\ x_2 + x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $x_3 = t \implies x_1 = -2t$  &  $x_2 = -t$  hence  $\bar{x} = \{-2t, -t, t\}$  The solution is not unique.

$$x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ has no unique solution } \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}.$$

Number of linearly independent rows = number of linearly independent columns

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \searrow & \\
 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{8}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \nearrow & \\
 & & RREF \sim \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \mathbb{I}_k & X \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)
 \end{array}$$

The **rank** of a matrix  $A$  is the dimension of the column space =  $r(A)$  = the number of leading ones in  $RREF(A)$ .

Let  $A \in M_{m,n}(F)$  &  $b \in F$  then  $Ax=b$  has a solution iff  $r(A)=r(A|b)$  i.e. the rank of matrix  $A$  and augmented matrix  $A|b$  are equal.

**Example**

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 + x_2 = 2 \\ x_1 + x_2 = 3 \end{pmatrix} \implies A \cdot x = b \implies A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \implies \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = RREF(A) \implies r(A) = 1$$

$$A|b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \implies \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \implies \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = RREF(A|b) \implies r(A|b) = 2$$

## Invertible matrices

$A \in M_n$  is nonsingular if  $Ax = 0 \implies x = 0$

$$\star r(A) = n = \dim(\text{col}(A)) = \dim(\text{row}(A))$$

$$\star A \text{ is invertible } AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$$

$$\star \dim(\text{null}(A)) = 0$$

$\star$  rows and columns of  $A$  are linearly independent

$$\star Ax = 0 \implies x = 0$$

$\star Ax = b$  has unique solution

$\star 0$  is not an eigenvalue of  $A$

$$\star \det A \neq 0$$

**Theorem: *Inverse of a matrix is unique.***

Let  $A$  has two inverses  $B$  and  $C$  such that  $AB=BA=I$  &  $AC=CA=I$ .

$$B=BI$$

$$=B(AC)$$

$$=(BA)C$$

$$=IC$$

$$=C$$

Contradiction hence proved.  $\square$

## Elementary Matrices

Let matrix E denote an **elementary row operation** giving  $A' = E A$ .

### Examples

$$E_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A' = E_k A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow R2 \leftrightarrow R3 \quad \text{Row exchange}$$

$$E_m = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A' = E_m A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ \alpha b_1 & \alpha b_2 & \alpha b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow R2 \leftarrow \alpha R2 \quad \text{Row scaling}$$

$$E_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \beta & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A' = E_n A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \beta & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ \beta a_1 + c_1 & \beta a_2 + c_2 & \beta a_3 + c_3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow R3 \leftarrow R3 + \beta R1$$

## Examples

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

$$M_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad M_1 A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 \\ 3 & -4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad R2 \leftarrow R2 + 2R1$$

$$M_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad M_2 M_1 A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad R3 \leftarrow R3 + R1$$

$$M_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad M_3 M_2 M_1 A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad R3 \leftarrow R3 - R2$$

$$M_3 M_2 M_1 A = U$$

Upper Triangular Matrix



## Finding inverse of a matrix

Let  $A$  be an invertible matrix and let there be a sequence of row operations performed by elementary matrices such that

$$E_q E_{q-1} \cdots E_2 E_1 A = \mathbb{I}$$

$$\implies (E_q E_{q-1} \cdots E_2 E_1 \mathbb{I}) A = \mathbb{I}$$

$$\implies (E_q E_{q-1} \cdots E_2 E_1 \mathbb{I}) A A^{-1} = \mathbb{I} A^{-1}$$

$$\implies A^{-1} = E_q E_{q-1} \cdots E_2 E_1 \mathbb{I}$$

$$[A \mid \mathbb{I}] \xrightarrow{E_q \dots E_2 E_1} [\mathbb{I} \mid A^{-1}] \quad A, \mathbb{I} \in M_n(F)$$

**Example:** Find inverse of the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [A \mid \mathbb{I}] &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xRightarrow[R2 \leftarrow 2R1]{R3 \leftarrow R3 - 4R1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -4 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xRightarrow{R3 \leftarrow R3 + R2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -6 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \implies \\
 &\xRightarrow[R2 \leftarrow -R2]{R3 \leftarrow -R3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 6 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \xRightarrow[R2 \leftarrow R2 - R3]{R1 \leftarrow R1 - 2R3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -11 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -4 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 6 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = [\mathbb{I} \mid A^{-1}]
 \end{aligned}$$