

Step-1

The objective is to determine a basis for the orthogonal complement of the row space of matrix A .

Step-2

Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ which is split $x = (3, 3, 3)$ into a row space component x_r and a null space component x_n .

The orthogonal complement of the row space of A is the column null space of A .

By definition of null space $Ax = 0$;

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$x_1 + 2x_3 = 0$$
$$x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 = 0$$

Substitutes $x_3 = a$.

So,

$$x_1 = -2a$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= -x_1 - 4x_3 \\ &= 2a - 4a \\ &= -2a \end{aligned}$$

Step-3

Therefore,

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2a \\ -2a \\ a \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= a \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Hence, a basis for the orthogonal complement of row space of matrix is

Step-4

The matrix is split $x = (3, 3, 3)$ into row a row space component x_r and a null space component x_n .

$$x_n = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

For, null space let

Compute $x_r = x - x_n$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} x_r &= x - x_n \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$x_r = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, the row space component is