

Fundamental Spaces

- Null space of a matrix  $\rightarrow N(A)$  <sup>matrix</sup>  
 $\hookrightarrow$  Set of all solutions to  $AX=0$
- Row space of a matrix  $\rightarrow R(A)$
- Column space of a matrix  $\rightarrow C(A)$

Ex

$$S = \{ \underbrace{(a+b, a-b, 2a)}_{\text{typical element}} : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$$

To find a basis for the subspace  $S$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+b \\ a-b \\ 2a \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$\rightarrow$  lin. indep.?

span + lin. ind.  $\Rightarrow$  basis for  $S$  ✓

A: matrix

Null Space of A  $\rightarrow N(A)$

The set of all solutions of  $AX=0$

Row Space of A  $\rightarrow R(A)$

The span of row vectors of A

Column Space of A  $\rightarrow C(A)$

The span of column vectors of A

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} - & r_1 & - \\ - & r_2 & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & r_n & - \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R(A) = \text{Span} \{ r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n \}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & & | \\ c_1 & c_2 & \dots & c_n \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C(A) = \text{Span} \{ c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n \}$$

Ex

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 & 5 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}_{4 \times 3}$$

Find a basis for  
 $N(A)$ ,  $R(A)$ ,  $C(A)$ .

$N(A)$  :  $AX=0$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & -4 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 5 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

RREF  $\rightarrow$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$x_3 = r \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow$  free.

$x_2 - x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = r$

$x_1 + x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = -r$

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3) \rightarrow (-r, r, r)$$

$$N(A) = \{ (-r, r, r) : r \in \mathbb{R} \} \rightarrow \text{solution set.}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -r \\ r \\ r \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$N(A) = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

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lin. indep.

$$\Rightarrow \text{basis for } N(A) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{Null}(A) = 1$$

R(A) :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 & 5 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

RREF

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

represents the row space

$$\text{Rank}(A) = 2$$

$$\text{A basis for } R(A) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

C(A) :  $A^T \rightarrow R(A) \rightarrow$  is a hard way. ✓

Easy way

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 & 5 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

they represent the column space of A.

RREF

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pick 1st and 2nd columns from the original matrix A.

$$C(A) = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

lin. indep. ✓

$$\text{A basis for } C(A) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + c_3 v_3 = 0$$

$$c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$$

Rank - Nullity Thm :

dim of the row space  
(column space)

dim of the null space.

$$\text{Rank}(A) + \text{Null}(A) = n$$

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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find a basis for  $N(A)$ ,  $R(A)$ ,  $C(A)$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 & \\ \textcircled{1} & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_2 = r \in \mathbb{R} \\ x_4 = s \in \mathbb{R} \end{array} \right\} \text{free.} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_3 + 2x_4 = 0 \\ x_3 = -2s \end{array}$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_4 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = -2r - 3s$$

$N(A)$

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (-2r - 3s, r, -2s, s) : r, s \in \mathbb{R}$$

a typical element  
of the solution set  
(Null space)

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2r - 3s \\ r \\ -2s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A basis for

$$N(A) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \rightarrow \text{Null}(A) = 2$$

$R(A)$ :

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$A \text{ basis for } R(A) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{Rank}(A) = 2$$

$C(A)$ :

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Pick 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>  
column  
from the  
original matrix A.

$$A \text{ basis for } C(A) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$