

# Coordinate Systems

Consider the vector  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and consider the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\mathcal{E} = \{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2\}$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 6 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \cdot \mathbf{e}_1 + 6 \cdot \mathbf{e}_2$$

We say that 1 and 6 are the coordinates relative to the standard basis. However, this could be done for any basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n\}$  form a basis for a vector space  $V$ . Every vector  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $V$  is a linear combination of the elements of  $\mathcal{B}$ .

$$\mathbf{x} = c_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{b}_2 + \cdots + c_n \mathbf{b}_n$$

The weights  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$  are called the coordinates of  $\mathbf{x}$  relative to the basis  $\mathcal{B}$  (or the  $\mathcal{B}$ -coordinates of  $\mathbf{x}$ ).

These coordinates can be written  $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$

Ex. Consider the basis  $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ , and suppose there is some vector  $\mathbf{x}$  such that  $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $\mathbf{x}$ .

$$\vec{x} = -2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \implies [\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\implies [\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

From the earlier example, note that  $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{E}} = \mathbf{x}$ .

Ex. Consider the basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{1, t, t^2\}$  for  $\mathbb{P}_2$ . Find the  $\mathcal{B}$ -coordinates of  $\mathbf{x} = (t + 3)^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} &= 9 + 6t + t^2 \\ &= 9(1) + 6(t) + 1(t^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{x} \\ \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix}_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex. Consider the basis  $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Find the

$\mathcal{B}$ -coordinates of  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A\vec{v} = \vec{b}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & -1 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & -1 & 4 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} c_1 = 3 \\ c_2 = 2 \end{array}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c} \vec{x} \\ \mathcal{B} \end{array} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \vec{b}_1 \quad \vec{b}_2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$A \left[ \begin{array}{c} \vec{x} \\ \mathcal{B} \end{array} \right] = \vec{x}$$

In the previous example, we could form the matrix  $P_{\mathcal{B}}$  whose columns are the vectors in  $\mathcal{B}$ :

$$P_{\mathcal{B}} = [\mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{b}_2]$$

Then solving the equation  $\mathbf{x} = c_1\mathbf{b}_1 + c_2\mathbf{b}_2$  becomes

$$[\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow \mathbf{x} = P_{\mathcal{B}}[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

We call  $P_{\mathcal{B}}$  the change of coordinates matrix from  $\mathcal{B}$  to the standard basis:  $[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} \mapsto \mathbf{x}$

Since  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis,  $P_{\mathcal{B}}$  is an invertible matrix, so

$$[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = P_{\mathcal{B}}^{-1}\mathbf{x}$$

This maps the other direction:  $\mathbf{x} \mapsto [\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$

In the earlier example, we found the  $\mathcal{B}$ -coordinates of

$$\mathbf{x} = (t + 3)^2 \text{ were } \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This method of finding coordinates allows us to map an abstract vector space, such as  $\mathbb{P}_2$ , to the more concrete vector space  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

→ This mapping is one-to-one and onto.

→ This mapping is linear:

$$[c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \cdots + c_n \mathbf{u}_n]_{\mathcal{B}} = c_1 [\mathbf{u}_1]_{\mathcal{B}} + c_2 [\mathbf{u}_2]_{\mathcal{B}} + \cdots + c_n [\mathbf{u}_n]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

Any one-to-one linear transformation from a vector space  $V$  onto a vector space  $W$  is called an isomorphism and the vector spaces are said to be isomorphic.

→ This means that they may look and feel completely different, but they act the same and are indistinguishable.

→ So  $\mathbb{P}_2$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

→ In general, any vector space whose basis has  $n$  elements is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .



Ex. Determine if  $1 + 2t^2$ ,  $4 + t + 5t^2$ , and  $3 + 2t$  are linearly dependent in  $\mathbb{P}_2$ .

$$B = \{1, t, t^2\}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow & & \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & \Rightarrow & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

no pivot in every col.  
 $\therefore$  dep.

Ex. Let  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 12 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ .

Then  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis for  $H = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ . Determine if  $\mathbf{x}$  is in  $H$  and, if it is, find the  $\mathcal{B}$ -coordinates for  $\mathbf{x}$ .

$$\vec{x} = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2$$
$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 3 & -1 & 3 \\ 6 & 0 & 12 \\ 2 & 1 & 7 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 7 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} c_1 = 2 \\ c_2 = 3 \end{array}$$

$$\vec{x} \in H \quad \left[ \vec{x} \right]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

In the previous example,  $H$  represented a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

→ We've just shown that this subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

# Dimensions of a Vector Space

If a basis for a vector space  $V$  contains  $n$  vectors, we say that  $V$  is finite-dimensional and the dimension of  $V$ , written  $\dim V$ , is  $n$ .

- The dimension of the zero subspace  $\{\mathbf{0}\}$  is defined as 0.
- If  $V$  is not spanned by a finite set, we say  $V$  is infinite-dimensional.
- If  $\dim V = n$ , then  $V$  is isomorphic with  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Ex. The dimension of  $\mathbb{P}_2$  is 3 because its basis is  $\{1, t, t^2\}$ .

Ex.  $\mathbb{P}$  is infinite-dimensional.

Ex. Find the dimension for  $H = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

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Ex. Find the dimension for  $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a - 3b + 6c \\ 5a + 4d \\ b - 2c - d \\ 5d \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ 5a \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -3b \\ 0 \\ b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 6c \\ 0 \\ -2c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4d \\ -d \\ 5d \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 6 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 15 & -30 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \left\{ a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 15 & -30 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 19 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 15 & -30 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dim H = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & -3 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{15} & -30 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex. Find the dimension for  $K = \text{span}\{2t^2 + 2, (t + 1)^2, t\}$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \quad \mathcal{B} = \{1, t, t^2\}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{2} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dim K = 2$$

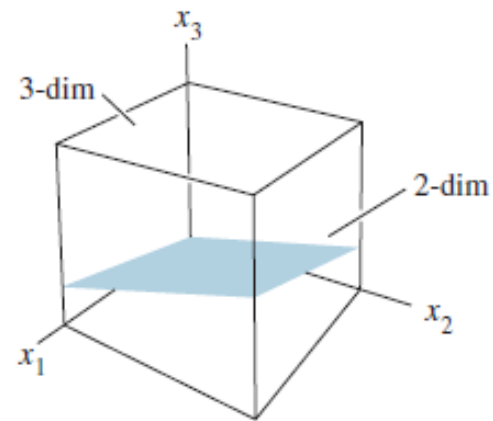
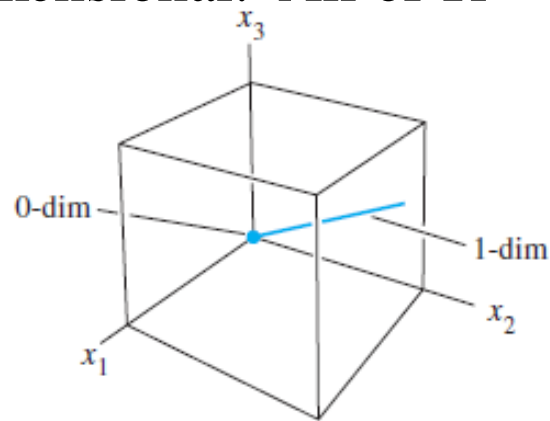
## Consider the subspaces of $\mathbb{R}^3$

0-dimensional: Only the zero subspace

1-dimensional: Multiples of a single vector, so lines through the origin

2-dimensional: Linear combinations of two independent vectors, so planes through the origin

3-dimensional: All of  $\mathbb{R}^3$





We previously found vectors that span the null space of a matrix  $A \rightarrow$  this will be the basis of  $\text{Nul } A$ .

Ex. Find a basis for  $\text{Nul } B$ , where

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 4 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_1 + 4x_2 + 2x_4 = 0 \\ x_3 - x_4 = 0 \\ x_5 = 0 \end{matrix} & \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_1 = -4x_2 - 2x_4 \\ x_2 = x_2 \\ x_3 = x_4 \\ x_4 = x_4 \\ x_5 = 0 \end{matrix} & \Rightarrow \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -4x_2 - 2x_4 \\ x_2 \\ x_4 \\ x_4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} & \end{aligned}$$

It turns out that the pivot columns of a matrix form a basis for the column space of the matrix.

Ex. Find a basis for  $\text{Col } A$ , where

[This is row equiv. to  $B$ .]

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 12 & 1 & 5 & 5 \\ 2 & 8 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 20 & 2 & 8 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ 2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Be careful to use the columns of  $A$ , not the reduced form

## Going back to Nul $A$ and Col $A$

The dimension of Nul  $A$  is the number of free variables of the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .

The dimension of Col  $A$  is the number of pivot columns of  $A$ .

Ex. Find the dimensions of Nul A and Col A.

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 10 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 10 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dim(\text{Col } A) = 2$$

$$\dim(\text{Nul } A) = 3$$

Before we can talk about rank, we need to define the row space of  $A$ , denoted  $\text{Row } A$ , and the subspace that is the span of the rows of  $A$ .

Ex. The row space of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -5 & 8 & 0 & -17 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 11 & -19 & 7 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & -13 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  is

a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ , and we can write the vectors horizontally if we wish.

Note:  $\text{Row } A = \text{Col } A^T$

Thm. If two matrices  $A$  and  $B$  are row equivalent, their row spaces are the same. In addition, if  $B$  is in echelon form, its nonzero rows form a basis for the row space of  $A$  as well as  $B$ .

- This works because row operations that would result in  $B$  are just linear combinations of the rows of  $A$

Ex. Find the bases for Row A, Col A, and Nul A for  $A =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -5 & 8 & 0 & -17 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 11 & -19 & 7 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & -13 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ -2 & -5 & 8 & 0 & -17 \\ 3 & 11 & -19 & 7 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & -13 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 2 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 4 & -14 \\ 0 & 4 & -8 & 4 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 2 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 20 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & -2 & 2 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -5 & 0 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{col } A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 3 \\ 11 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 7 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{row } A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 2 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 + x_3 + x_5 = 0 \\ x_2 - 2x_3 + 3x_5 = 0 \\ x_4 - 5x_5 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = -x_3 - x_5 \\ x_2 = 2x_3 - 3x_5 \\ x_3 = x_3 \\ x_4 = 5x_5 \\ x_5 = x_5 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -x_3 - x_5 \\ 2x_3 - 3x_5 \\ x_3 \\ 5x_5 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_5 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{nul } A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Some observations:

- The basis for  $\text{Col } A$  used entries of  $A$ , but the bases for  $\text{Nul } A$  and  $\text{Row } A$  had no connection to the entries of  $A$ .
- Although the first 3 rows of the echelon form are independent, we can't assume the same is true of  $A$ .



Def. The rank of a matrix is the dimension of Col  $A$ .

Thm. Rank Theorem

- Col  $A$  and Row  $A$  have the same dimensions
- If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix,  $\text{Rank } A + \dim (\text{Nul } A) = n$

Why are these true?

Ex. If  $A$  is  $7 \times 9$  with a two-dimensional null space, what is the rank of  $A$ ?

$$7 \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \text{pivot} & \text{no pivot} \\ \hline 7 & 2 \end{array} \right] \quad \text{rank} = 7$$

Ex. Could a  $6 \times 9$  matrix have a two-dimensional null space?

$$6 \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \text{pivot} & \text{no pivot} \\ \hline 7 & 2 \end{array} \right] \quad \text{no}$$

↑  
too big

Ex. Suppose a homogeneous system of equations with 18 equations and 20 variables is found to have a two-dimensional set of solutions. Does every associated non-homogeneous system have a solution? → null space

$$\begin{array}{c}
 20 \\
 18 \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c}
 \text{pivot} & \text{no pivot} & \vec{0} \\
 \hline
 \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{18} & \underbrace{\hspace{0.5cm}}_2 & 
 \end{array} \right]
 \end{array}$$

$$18 \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c}
 \text{pivot} & \text{no pivot} & \vec{b} \\
 \hline
 \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{18} & \underbrace{\hspace{0.5cm}}_2 & 
 \end{array} \right]$$

yes, every row of  $A$  has a pivot

## Thm. Invertible Matrix Theorem

Let  $A$  be  $n \times n$ . The following are equivalent:

- i.  $A$  is invertible
- ii.  $A$  is row equivalent to  $I$ .
- iii.  $A$  has  $n$  pivot positions (one in each row and column).
- iv. The equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  has only the trivial solution.
- v. The columns of  $A$  are linearly independent.
- vi. The linear transformation  $\mathbf{x} \mapsto A\mathbf{x}$  is one-to-one.
- vii. The equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a unique solution for all  $\mathbf{b}$ .
- viii. The columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- ix. The linear transformation  $\mathbf{x} \mapsto A\mathbf{x}$  maps  $\mathbb{R}^n$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- x. The determinant of  $A$  is not zero
- xi.  $\text{Col } A = \mathbb{R}^n$
- xii.  $\text{Row } A = \mathbb{R}^n$
- xiii.  $\text{Nul } A$  is the zero subspace