

## 2.5 Spaces of a Matrix and Dimension

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**2.5.1** a) Let  $C[0, 1]$  denote the space of continuous function defined on the interval  $[0, 1]$  (i.e.  $f(x)$  is a member of  $C[0, 1]$  if  $f(x)$  is continuous for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ ). Which one of the following subsets of  $C[0, 1]$  does **not** form a vector space? Find it and explain why it does not.

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**2.5.2** a)

- i) The subset of functions  $f$  which belongs to  $C[0, 1]$  for which  $\int_0^1 f(s)ds = 0$ .
  - ii) The set of functions  $f$  in  $C[0, 1]$  which vanish at exactly one point (i.e.  $f(x) = 0$  for only one  $x$  with  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ ).  
Note different functions may vanish at different points within the interval.
  - iii) The subset of functions  $f$  in  $C[0, 1]$  for which  $f(0) = f(1)$
- b) Let  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x + 5$ . Consider the four vector  $v_1 = f(x), v_2 = f'(x), v_3 = f'', v_4 = f'''(x)$ , ( $f'(x)$  means  $\frac{df}{dx}$ )
- i) What is the dimension of the space spanned by the vectors? Justify your answer.
  - ii) Express  $x^2 + 1$  as a linear combination of the  $v_i$ 's

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**2.5.3** Consider the system

$$\left. \begin{array}{r} x + y - z + w = 0 \\ x \quad \quad + 3z + w = 0 \\ 2x + y + 2z + 2w = 0 \\ 3x + 2y + z + 3w = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

- a) Find a basis for the vector space of solutions to the system above. You need not prove this is a basis
- b) What is the dimension of the vector space of solutions above? Give a reason.
- c) Is the vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

a solution to the above system?

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**2.5.4** Determine whether the given vectors form a basis for  $S$ , and find the dimension of the subspace.  $S$  is the set of all vectors of the form  $(a, b, 2a, 3b)$  in  $R^4$ . The given set is  $\{(1, 0, 2, 0), (0, 1, 0, 3), (1, -1, 2, -3)\}$

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**2.5.5** The vectors  $(1, 0, 2, -1, 3)$ ,  $(0, 1, -1, 2, 4)$ ,  $(-1, 1, -2, 1, -3)$ ,  $(0, 1, 1, -2, -4)$ , and  $(1, 4, 2, -1, 3)$  span a subspace  $S$  of  $R^5$ .

- a) What is the dimension of  $S$ ?
- b) Find a basis for  $S$

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**2.5.6** Compute the rank of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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**2.5.7** Find the dimension of the subspace of  $R^6$  consisting of all linear combinations of the vectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**2.5.8** Find the dimension and a basis for the following spaces

- a) The space spanned by  $\{(1, 0, -2, 1), (0, 3, 1, -1), (2, 3, -3, 1), (3, 0, -6, -1)\}$
- b) The set of all polynomials  $p(t)$  in  $P^3$  satisfying the two conditions
  - i)  $\frac{d^3 p(t)}{dt^3} = 0$  for all  $t$
  - ii)  $p(t) + \frac{d p(t)}{dt} = 0$  at  $t = 0$
- c) The subspace of the space of functions of  $t$  spanned by  $\{e^{at}, e^{bt}\}$  if  $a \neq b$
- d) The space spanned by  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$  in  $W$ , given that  $\{\vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$  is a basis for  $W$ .

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**2.5.9** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 & -5 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  Find a basis for the **column space** of  $A$

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**2.5.10** Consider the equation

$$Ax = b; A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 & -5 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

a) Solve for  $x$  given  $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$

b) Find a basis for the null space of  $A$

c) **Without carrying out explicit calculation**, does a solution exist for any  $b$  in  $V^4$ ? (No credit will be given for explicit calculation for).

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**2.5.11** a) Find a basis and the dimension of the column space of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 2 & 6 & 18 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 12 & 36 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) Find a basis for the null space of the above matrix.

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**2.5.12** Which of the following sets form a vector subspace of  $V_4$ ? Explain.

a) the set of vectors of the form  $(x, y, x + y, 0)$

b) the set of vectors of the form  $(x, 2x, 3x, 4x)$

c) the set of vectors  $(x, y, z, w)$  such that  $x + y + w = 1$

d) If the set in (b) is a subspace, find a basis for it and its dimension. In the above,  $x, y, z, w$  are any real numbers.

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**2.5.13** True-False

True means always true. False means not always true.

a) The column space of a matrix is preserved under row operations

b) The column rank of a matrix is preserved under row operations.

c) For an  $n \times n$  matrix, with  $m \neq n$ , rank plus nullity equals  $n$ .

d) The row space of a matrix  $A$  is the same vector space as the row space of the row reduced form of  $A$ .

e) If two matrices  $A$  and  $B$  have the same row space, the  $A = B$ .

**MATH 293 FALL 1991 FINAL # 7****2.5.14** Show that the matrices  $A$  and  $B$  have the same row space:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 9 \\ 2 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & -3 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

**MATH 293 FALL 1991 FINAL # 7****2.5.15** Find the vector in the subspace spanned by

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

which is closest to the vector

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**MATH 293 FALL 1991 FINAL # 8****2.5.16** True-False. True means always true, false means not always true. Warning! Matrices are not necessarily square.

- a) The rank of  $A$  equals the rank of  $A^T$ .
- b) The nullity of  $A$  equals the nullity of  $A^T$ .

**MATH 293 SUMMER 1992 FINAL # 3****2.5.17** Let  $V$  be the vector space of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $a_{ij}, i, j = 1, 2$ , are real scalars.Consider the set  $S$  of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} a + b & a - b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are real scalars.

- a) Show that  $S$  is a subspace. Call it  $W$ .
- b) Find a basis for  $W$  and the dimension of  $W$ .

**MATH 293 SUMMER 1992 FINAL # 3****2.5.18** Consider the vector space  $V$  $\{f(t) = a + b \sin t + c \cos t\}$ , for all real scalars  $a, b$  and  $c$  and  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ 

Now consider a subspace

 $W$  of  $V$  in which  $\frac{df(t)}{dt} + f(t) = 0$  at  $t = 0$ Find a basis for the subspace  $W$ .

**MATH 293 FALL 1992 PRELIM 3 # 5**

**2.5.19** Fill in the blanks of the following statements.

In what follows  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix

- The dimension of the row space is 2.  
The dimension of the null space is 3.  
The number of columns of  $A$  is \_\_\_\_\_ .
- $Ax = b$  has a solution  $x$  if and only if  $b$  is in the \_\_\_\_\_ space of  $A$ .
- If  $Ax = 0$  and  $Ay = 0$  and if  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are arbitrary constants then  $A(C_1x + C_2y) =$  \_\_\_\_\_ .

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**2.5.20** a) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  nonsingular matrix. Prove that  $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$ . Hint: You may use the fact that if  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices  $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$ .

b) An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  has a nontrivial null space. Find  $\det(A)$  and explain your answer.

c) Given two vectors  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $V_3$ . Find a vector (or vectors)

$w_1, w_2, \dots$  in  $V_3$  such that the set  $\{v_1, v_2, w_1, \dots\}$  is a basis for  $V_3$ .

d) Let  $S$  be the set of all vectors of the form  $\vec{v} = a\vec{i} + b\vec{j} + c\vec{k}$  where  $\vec{i}, \vec{j}$  and  $\vec{k}$  are the usual mutually perpendicular unit vectors. Let  $W$  be the set of all vectors that are perpendicular to the vector  $\vec{v}_1 = \vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$ . Is  $W$  a vector subspace of  $V_3$ ? Explain your answer.

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**2.5.21** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Suppose the rank of  $A$  is  $r$ , and that  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r$  are vectors in  $R^n$  such that  $A\mathbf{u}_1, A\mathbf{u}_2, \dots, A\mathbf{u}_r$  is a basis for  $R(A)$  (col. space of  $A$ ). Let  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n-r}$  be a basis for  $N(A)$  (null space of  $A$ ). Then show that  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n-r}\}$  is a basis for  $R^n$

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**2.5.22** a) Solve for  $y$ , for  $x$  near  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ , if  $y' + y \cot x = \cos x$  and  $y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$

b) Find a basis for the null space of the differential operator

$$L = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} - 7\frac{d}{dx} + 12, -\infty < x < \infty.$$

(Hint: Find as many linearly independent solutions as needed for the equation  $L[y(x)] = 0$ .)

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**2.5.23** Answer each of the following as True or False. **If False, explain, by an example.**

- Every spanning set of  $R^3$  contains at least three vectors.
- Every orthogonal set of vectors in  $R^5$  is a basis for  $R^5$ .
- Let  $A$  be a 3 by 5 matrix. Nullity  $A$  is at most 3.
- Let  $W$  be a subspace of  $R^4$ . Every basis of  $W$  contains at least 4 vectors.
- In  $R^n$ ,  $\|cX\| = |c|\|X\|$
- If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix, then  $\text{rank } A = n$ .

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**2.5.24** A basis for the null space of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is:

a.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  b.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  c.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  d.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  e.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

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**2.5.25** If  $A$  is an  $n$  by  $n$  matrix and  $\text{rank}(A) < n$ . Then

- $A$  is non singular,
- The columns of  $A$  are linearly independent
- Some eigenvalue of  $A$  is zero
- $AX = 0$  has only the trivial solution
- $AX = B$  has a solution for every  $B$

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**2.5.26** Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Find a basis for the range of  $A$  (i.e., the column space of  $A$ ).
- Find a basis for the null-space of  $A$  (i.e., the kernel of  $A$ ).
- Find a basis for the column space of  $A^T$ .

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**2.5.27** Let  $P_3$  be the space of polynomials  $p(t)$  of degree  $\leq 3$ . Consider the subspace  $S \subset P_3$  of polynomials that satisfy

$$p(0) + \left. \frac{dp}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = 0.$$

- Show that  $S$  is a subspace of  $P_3$ .
- Find a basis for  $S$
- What is the dimension of  $S$ .

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**2.5.28** Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Find a basis for the row space of  $A$ .
- Find a basis for the column space of  $A$
- What is the rank of  $A$ ?
- What is the dimension of the null space?

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**2.5.29** Let  $P_3$  be the space of polynomials  $p(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3$  of degree  $\leq 3$ . Consider the subset  $S$  of polynomials that satisfy

$$p''(0) + 4p(0) = 0$$

Here  $p''(0)$  means, as usual,  $\left. \frac{d^2p}{dt^2} \right|_{t=0}$ .

- Show that  $S$  is a subspace of  $P_3$ . Give reasons.
- Find a basis for  $S$ .
- What is the dimension of  $S$ ? Give reasons for your answer.

Hint: What constrain, if any, does the given formula impose on the constants  $a_0, a_1, a_2$ , and  $a_3$  of a general  $p(t)$ ?

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**2.5.30** Consider the subspace  $W$  of  $R^4$  which is defined as

$$W = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

- Find a basis for  $W$ .
- What is the dimension of  $W$ ?
- It is claimed that  $W$  is a "plane" in  $R^4$ . Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer.
- It is claimed that the "plane"  $W$  can be described as the intersection of two 3-D regions  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  in  $R^4$ . The equations of  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are:

$$S_1 : x - u = 0$$

$$S_2 : ax + by + cz + du = 0$$

where  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ u \end{bmatrix}$  is a generic point in  $R^4$  and  $a, b, c, d$  are real constants.

Find one possible set of values for the constants  $a, b, c$  and  $d$ .

**MATH 293    SPRING 1996    PRELIM 3    # 4****2.5.31** Let

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

- a) Find a basis for the null space of  $A$ . What is the dimension of the null space of  $A$ ?
- b) Let  $\mathbf{x} = (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 0)$ . We know that  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ . True or false:
- i)  $\mathbf{x}$  is a trivial solution to  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .
  - ii)  $\mathbf{x}$  is in the solution space of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .
  - iii)  $\mathbf{x}$  is in the null space of  $A$ .
  - iv)  $\{\mathbf{x}\}$  is a basis for the null space of  $A$ .
- c) The vector

$$\vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is one vector in a basis for the column subspace of  $A$ . Find another vector  $\vec{v}$  in a basis for the column subspace of  $A$  such that  $\{\vec{v}, \vec{w}\}$  is linearly independent.

- d) What is the rank of  $A$ ? How do you know?

**MATH 293    SPRING 1996    FINAL    # 16****2.5.32** The vector space of all polynomials of degree six or less has dimension:

- a) 5
- b) 6
- c) 7
- d) 8
- e) none of the above

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**2.5.33** A basis for the null space of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is

- a)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 b)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 c)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 d)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 e) none of the above

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**2.5.34** Suppose  $A$  is a matrix with 6 columns and 4 rows. Which of the following must be true?

- a) The null space of  $A$  has dimension  $\geq 2$  and the rank of  $A$  is 4.  
 b) The null space of  $A$  has dimension  $\leq 4$  and the rank of  $A$  is 2.  
 c) The null space of  $A$  has dimension  $\leq 2$  and the rank of  $A$  is  $\leq 4$ .  
 d) The null space of  $A$  has dimension  $\geq 2$  and the rank of  $A$  is  $\leq 4$ .  
 e) None of the above

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**2.5.35** (All parts are independent problems)

- a) If the  $\det A = 2$ . Find the  $\det A^{-1}$ ,  $\det A^T$   
 b) From  $PA = LU$  find a formula for  $A^{-1}$  in terms of  $P, L$  and  $U$ . Assume  $P, L, U, A$  are invertible  $n \times n$  matrices.  
 c) Find the rank of matrix  $A$ .

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

- d) Find a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $E$  such that for *every*  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$ , the second row of  $EA$  is equal to the sum of the first two rows of  $A$ , e.g. if  
 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  then  $EA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3+1 & 4+2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 e) Write down a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $P$  which projects every vector onto the  $x_2$  axis. Verify that  $P^2 = P$ .

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**2.5.36** Suppose  $A$  is a 6 row by 7 column matrix for which  $\text{nul}A = \text{Span}\{\vec{x}_0\}$  for some  $\vec{x}_0 \neq \vec{0}$  in  $\mathfrak{R}^7$ . Which of the following are always TRUE of  $A$ ? (NO Justification is necessary.) Express your answer as e.g: TRUE: a,b,c,d; FALSE: e

- The columns of  $A$  are linearly dependent.
- The linear transformation  $\vec{x} \rightarrow A\vec{x}$  is onto.
- $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  has only the trivial solution.
- The columns of  $A$  form a basis for  $\mathfrak{R}^6$ .
- The columns of  $A$  span all of  $\mathfrak{R}^6$ .

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**2.5.37** Consider the matrix

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

- Find a basis for the null space  $N$  of  $A$ . What is the dimension of  $N$ ?
- Find a basis for the column space  $C$  of  $A$ . What is the dimension of  $C$ ?
- Find a basis for the row space  $R$  of  $A$ . What is the dimension of  $R$ ?

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**2.5.38** Let

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

Find bases for the null space of  $A$  and the column space of  $A$ . What are the dimensions of these two vector spaces?

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**2.5.39** The matrix  $A$  is row equivalent to the matrix  $B$ :

$$A \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & 1 & 4 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -8 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \equiv B$$

- Find a basis for  $\text{Row}A$ ,  $\text{Col}A$ , and  $\text{Nul}A$ .
- To what vector spaces do the vectors in  $\text{Row}A$ ,  $\text{Col}A$ , and  $\text{Nul}A$  belong?
- What is the rank of  $A$ ?

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**2.5.40** Given that the matrix  $B$  is row equivalent to the matrix  $A$  where

$$A \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 & -6 & 8 \\ 1 & -2 & -4 & 3 & -2 \\ -7 & 8 & 10 & 3 & -10 \\ 4 & -5 & -7 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -4 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & -12 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Find rank  $A$  and  $\dim \text{Null } A$ .
- Determine bases for  $\text{Col } A$  and  $\text{Null } A$ .
- Determine a value of  $c$  so that the vector  $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ c \end{bmatrix}$  is in  $\text{Col } A$
- For this value of  $c$ , write the general solution of  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ .

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**2.5.41** Let  $W$  be the subspace of  $\mathfrak{R}^4$  defined as

$$W = \text{span} \left( \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right) \right).$$

- Find a basis for  $W$ . What is the dimension of  $W$ ?
- It is claimed that  $W$  can be described as the intersection of two linear spaces  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  in  $\mathfrak{R}^4$ . The equations of  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are

$$S_1 : x - y = 0$$

and

$$S_2 : ax + by + cz + dw = 0,$$

where  $a, b, c, d$  are real constants that must be determined. Find one possible set of values of  $a, b, c$  and  $d$ .

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**2.5.42** Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Find an orthonormal basis for the null space of  $A$ .
- Find a basis for the orthogonal complement of  $\text{Nul } A$ , i.e. find  $(\text{Nul } A)^\perp$ .

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**2.5.43** Let  $A = [\vec{v}_1 \vec{v}_2]$  be a  $1000 \times 2$  matrix, where  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2$  are the columns of  $A$ . You aren't given  $A$ . Instead you are given only that

$$A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find an orthonormal basis  $\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2\}$  of the column space of  $A$ . Your formulas for  $\vec{u}_1$  and  $\vec{u}_2$  should be written as linear combinations of  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2$ . (Hint: what do the entries of the matrix  $A^T A$  have to do with dot products?)

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**2.5.44** The reduced echelon form of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 2 & 3 \\ -2 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -3 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  is  $B =$

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

- What is the rank of  $A$ ?
- What is the dimension of the column space of  $A$ ?
- What is the dimension of the null space of  $A$ ?
- Find a solution to  $A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- What is the row space of  $A$ ?
- Would any of your answers above change if you changed  $A$  by randomly changing 3 of its entries in the 2nd, third, and fourth columns to different small integers and the corresponding reduced echelon form for  $B$  was presented? (yes?, no?, probably?, probably not?, ?)

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**2.5.45** Consider  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  with  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . The augmented matrix of this system is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 5 & 8 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  which is row equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- What are the rank of  $A$  and  $\dim \text{nul } A$ ? (Justify your answer.)
- Find bases for  $\text{col } A$ ,  $\text{row } A$ , and  $\text{nul } A$ .
- What is the general solution  $\vec{x}$  to  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  with the given  $A$  and  $\vec{b}$ ?
- Select another  $\vec{b}$  for which the above system has a solution. Give the general solution for that  $\vec{b}$ .

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**2.5.46** Let  $A$  be a matrix where all you know is that it is  $5 \times 7$  and has rank 3.

- Define new matrices from  $A$  as follows:

- $C$  has as columns a basis for  $\text{Col } A$ ,
- $M$  has as columns a basis for  $\text{Nul } A^T$ , and
- $T = [CM]$ .

Is this enough information to find the size (number of rows and columns) of  $T$ ?

- if yes, find the number of rows and columns and justify your answer, or
  - if no, explain what extra information is needed to find the size of  $T$ ?
- Are there any two non-zero vectors  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  for which:
    - $\vec{u}$  is in  $\text{Col } A$ ,
    - $\vec{v}$  is in  $\text{Nul } A^T$ , **and**
    - $\vec{v}$  is a multiple of  $\vec{u}$ ?

- if yes, why?
  - if no, why?, or
- if it depends on information not given, what information? How would that information help?

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- 2.5.47** a) What is the null space of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ?
- b) What is the column space of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ?
- c) Find a basis for the column space of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & \pi \\ 3 & 4 & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$ ?
- d) Are the column of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & \pi \\ 3 & 4 & \sqrt{2} \\ 3 & 4 & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$  linearly independent (hint: no long row reductions are needed)?
- e) What is the row space of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ?

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- 2.5.48** Consider the space  $P$  of all polynomials of degree  $\leq 3$  of the type  $\{p(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3\}$  for all scalars  $a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3$  and  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ . Now consider a subspace  $W$  of  $P$  where, for any  $p(t) \in W$ , we also have

$$\int_0^1 p(t)dt = 0$$

$$\left. \frac{dp}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = 0$$

- a) Find a basis for  $W$ .
- b) What is the dimension of  $W$ ?

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- 2.5.49** Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- a) Find the vectors  $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$  such that a solution  $\vec{x}$  of the equation  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  exists.
- b) Find a basis for the column space  $\mathcal{R}(A)$  of  $A$ .
- c) It is claimed that  $\mathcal{R}(A)$  is a plane on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . If you agree, find a vector  $\vec{n}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  that is normal to this plane. Check your answer.
- d) Show that  $\vec{n}$  is perpendicular to each of the columns of  $A$ . Explain carefully why this is true.

**MATH 294 FALL 1997 PRELIM 3 # 1 PRACTICE****2.5.50** Consider the matrix

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

- a) Find a basis for the column space  $C$  of  $A$ . What is the dimension of  $C$ ?
- b) Find a basis for the column space  $N$  of  $A$ . What is the dimension of  $N$ ?
- c) Let  $W = \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$ . Is  $W$  orthogonal to  $N$ ? Please justify your answer by showing your work.

**MATH 293 SPRING ? PRELIM 2 # 1****2.5.51** a) Find a basis for the row space of the matrix

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

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

**MATH 293 SPRING ? PRELIM 2 # 2****2.5.52** a) If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $4 \times 4$  matrices such that

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

show that the column space of  $A$  is at least three dimensional.

- b) Find  $A^{-1}$  if  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

**MATH 293 SPRING ? FINAL # 2****2.5.53** a) Find a basis for the row space of the matrix

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

- b) Find the rank of  $A$  and a basis for its column space, noting that  $A = A^T$ .
- c) Construct an orthonormal basis for the row space of  $A$ .

**MATH 293    SPRING ?    FINAL    # 6**

**2.5.54** Give a definition for addition and for scalar multiplication which will turn the set of all pairs  $(\vec{u}, \vec{v})$  of vectors, for  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  in  $V_2$ , into a vector space  $V$ .

- What is the zero vector of  $V$ ?
- What is the dimension of  $V$ ?
- What is a basis for  $V$ ?

**MATH 293    SPRING ?    FINAL    # 3**

**2.5.55** a) Give all solutions of the following system in vector form.

$$\begin{aligned} 6x_1 + 4x_3 &= 1 \\ 5x_1 - x_2 + 5x_3 &= -1 \\ x_1 + 3x_3 &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

- What is the null space of the matrix of coefficients of the unknowns in a)?

**MATH 293    SPRING ?    FINAL    # 4**

**2.5.56** Let  $W$  be the subspace of  $V_4$  spanned by the vectors

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Find the dimension and a basis for  $W$ .
- Find an orthogonal basis for  $W$ .

**MATH 293    UNKNOWN    FINAL    # 5**

**2.5.57** a) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Show that if  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has a solution then  $\vec{b}$  is a linear combination of the column vectors of  $A$ .

- Let  $A$  be a  $4 \times 4$  matrix whose column space is the span of vectors  $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4)^T$ , satisfying  $v_1 - 2v_2 + v_3 - v_4 = 0$ . Let  $\vec{b} = (1, b_2, b_3, 0)^T$ . Find all values of  $b_2, b_3$  for which the matrix equation  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has a solution.