

Column Space of a Matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

$\text{Col}(A)$ = is the column space of the $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ matrix:
all linear combinations of the columns of A .

The $\text{Col}(A) = \mathbb{R}^m$ iff $\text{Col}(A) = \text{span } \mathbb{R}^m$
Otherwise, it's a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^m$.

$\text{Null}(A)$ = Null Space of $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ matrix. All

solutions $\underline{x}$, to $A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$ (*)

Remark: $\underline{x} = \underline{0}$ is always a solution to (*)

Thm: The $\text{Null}(A) \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Equivalently, the set of all solutions of (*), the m homogeneous linear equations in n unknowns (is a subspace $\mathbb{R}^n$) //

Basis of a Subspace: let H is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Then the basis for H is $\text{span}(H)$ (with
L.I vectors).

Ex) Find a basis for the $\text{col}(A)$

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

$a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3 \ a_4 \ a_5$

Once you found A in row echelon form, the basis for $\text{col}(A)$ = collection of pivot columns.

In this example A is in row echelon form.

The basis

$$a_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad a_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad a_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Rank: } a_3 = a_1 + 3a_2 \quad a_4 = 5a_1 + 2a_2$$

$$\text{Col}(A) = \text{span}(a_1, a_2, a_5)$$

Dimension & Rank of a Matrix (or of a subspace)

$\dim(H)$ = the dimension of subspace H corresponds to the number of vectors in the basis set of H .

By definition, $\dim(\emptyset) \equiv 0$.

$\text{Rank}(A)$ = rank of a matrix $A \equiv \dim(\text{Col}(A))$

ex) $A = \{a_{ij}\}^{4 \times 5}$ row reduce to get

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & x & x & x & x \\ 0 & x & x & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & x & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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pivot columns $\therefore \text{Rank}(A) = r = 3$

Thm If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ then
 $\text{rank}(A) + \dim(\text{Null}(A)) = n$

Recall that: to find $\text{Null}(A)$ find all $\underline{x}$ s.t.

$$A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$$

Thm: The Basis Theorem: Let H be p -dimensional subspace of $\mathbb{R}^n$. Any $|H|$ set of exactly p elements belonging to H is a basis for H . Any set of p elements that span (H) is a basis of H . //

Thm: Invertible Matrix Theorem (Continued)

If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ then the following statements are equivalent:

$$\text{Col}(A) = \text{basis}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$\text{Col}(A) = \mathbb{R}^n$$

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

$$\text{rank}(A) = n$$

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

$$\dim(\text{Null}(A)) = 0$$

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There are 4 spaces associated with a Matrix (Linear) Transformation

Solving $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$,

3 Problems Arise:

- i) **Easiest**: given A & $\underline{x}$ find $\underline{b}$
- (ii) **Intermediate**: given A & $\underline{b}$ find $\underline{x}$.
- (iii) **Hard**: given $\underline{x}$ and $\underline{b}$, find A .

For (ii) the general solution is

$$\underline{x} = \underline{x}_h + \underline{x}_p$$

where $\underline{x}_h$ can be not $\emptyset$.

$$A\underline{x}_h = \emptyset \quad \& \quad A\underline{x}_p = \underline{b}$$

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$$A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

For (i), $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ says $\underline{a}_1 x_1 + \underline{a}_2 x_2 + \dots + \underline{a}_n x_n = \underline{b}$

Where $A = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \end{bmatrix} \}_{m.}$

