

Review

Def

For $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ $\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\text{Col}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$
 $\text{Row}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 4}$
 $\text{Null}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4$

- ① $\dim(\text{Col}(A))$ is called col rank of A
- ② $\dim(\text{Row}(A))$ is called row rank of A
- ③ $\dim(\text{Null}(A))$ is called nullity of A .

Theorem: ① Number of pivots in $\text{RREF}(A)$
or $\text{RREF}([A | \vec{0}])$
is equal to col rank of A

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or $\text{RREF}([A | \vec{0}])$
is equal to row rank of A

Def The rank of A is defined as
number of pivots in $\text{RREF}(A)$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \\ e & f \\ g & h \end{bmatrix}$$

Assume $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, let r be its rank.
Then $\text{RREF}([A | \vec{0}])$ has r leading ones.

How to find a basis for $\text{Null}(A)$, $\text{Col}(A)$, $\text{Row}(A)$

① For $\text{Null}(A)$, solve $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ and write $\text{Null}(A)$ as a span of $(n-r)$ vectors, which are the basis vectors.

Example: $A = [1 \ 1 \ 1]$

$$\text{RREF}[A|\vec{0}] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} y = s \\ z = t \end{cases} \Rightarrow x = -s - t$$

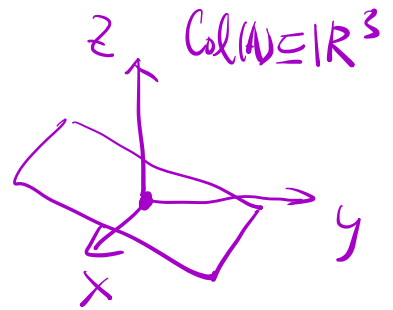
$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} -s-t \\ s \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -s \\ s \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -t \\ 0 \\ t \end{pmatrix} \\ &= s \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \forall s, t \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Null}(A) = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for $\text{Null}(A)$.

② Cols in A corresponding to pivots in RREF form a basis for $\text{Col}(A)$.

Example: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$
 $a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 The RREF of $[A | \vec{0}]$:



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad \text{Col}(A) = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for $\text{Col}(A)$

Remark: $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ cannot be the basis

because they cannot span $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

③ Basis for $\text{Row}(A)$: three methods

1) rows with pivots in RREF is a basis

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

The RREF of $[A | \vec{0}]$: $\text{RREF} = E_m \cdots E_1 A$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$A = E_1^{-1} \textcircled{E_2^{-1}} \dots E_m^{-1} \cdot \text{RREF}$$

one row operation is
a linear comb. of rows

$\Rightarrow \{[1 \ 0 \ 5], [0 \ 1 \ -1]\}$ is a basis

2) the rows in A corresponding to pivots
(be careful that rows might be
switched during Gaussian Elimination)
So avoid using this method unless you're sure.

Example: $\{[1 \ 3 \ 2], [1 \ 2 \ 3]\}$ is a basis.

3) Treat rows of A as abstract vectors

$\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$, then solve for
linear independence: $a\vec{v}_1 + b\vec{v}_2 + c\vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$

I. Independent $\Rightarrow \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ is a basis.

II. $\{\text{The abstract vectors corresponding to
columns with pivots in RREF}\}$ form a basis.

Notice that this method applies to any abstract vector (e.g. col vectors).

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

Basis for Row(A). $\begin{cases} a + b + 0 \cdot c = 0 \\ 3a + 2b + c = 0 \\ 2a + 3b - c = 0 \end{cases}$

$$a[1 \ 3 \ 2] + b[1 \ 2 \ 3] + c[0 \ 1 \ -1] = [0 \ 0 \ 0]$$

$$\Rightarrow [a \ b \ c] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = [0 \ 0 \ 0]$$

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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

So $\{[1 \ 3 \ 2], [1 \ 2 \ 3]\}$ is a basis of Row(A).

Example: Find a basis for

$$\text{Span} \{1+3x+2x^2, 1+2x+3x^2, x-x^2\} \subseteq P_2(\mathbb{R})$$

$$a(1+3x+2x^2) + b(1+2x+3x^2) + c(x-x^2)$$

$$(a+b) + (3a+2b+c)x + (2a+3b-c)x^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a+b+0 \cdot c = 0 \\ 3a+2b+c = 0 \\ 2a+3b-c = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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

↓ 2nd poly
↓ 3rd poly

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

So $\{1+3x+2x^2, 1+2x+3x^2\}$ is a basis.

Ex: Find a basis for

$$\text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

Solution: Step I: check linear independence

$$a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & 2a \\ 3a & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b & b \\ b & b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & c \\ c & c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+b & 2a+b+c \\ 3a+b+c & b+c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} a+b+c=0 \\ 2a+b+c=0 \\ 3a+b+c=0 \\ 0 \cdot a+b+c=0 \end{cases}$$

Step II: Augmented matrix, then RREF/REF

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

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

$$\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{ is REF, not RREF}$$

Step III :

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is a basis}$$

If RREF is $\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$, then

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is a basis.}$$

