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Dimension of a Linear Space

The **dimension** of a linear space X , denoted by **$\dim X$** , *by definition*, is the number of vectors in any basis (its **cardinality**).

By definition, the subspace containing only the zero vector has

$$\dim \{0\} = 0.$$

There are linear spaces with a **finite dimension** and spaces with an **infinite dimension**.

Examples

Π_n is the Linear Space of at most n -degree real polynomials. It contains vectors such as

$$P_n(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n$$

A basis of Π_n is $\{1, x, x^2, x^3, \dots, x^n\}$ so that

$$\dim \Pi_n = n+1$$

\mathcal{A} is the Linear Space of real functions that are **analytical*** at 0 . It contains vectors such as

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n + \cdots$$

A basis of \mathcal{A} consists of all the power functions $\{x^k\}$ so that

$$\dim \mathcal{A} = \infty$$

* a function is said **analytical at a point** if locally it is the sum of a power series

Properties of Linear Subspaces

- ❖ If W is a subspace of X , then
$$\dim W \leq \dim X$$
- ❖ If W is a subspace of X and $\dim W = \dim X$ then $W = X$.
- ❖ If $\dim X = n$ and the vectors $u^{(1)}, u^{(2)}, \dots, u^{(n)}$ are linearly independent, then they form a **basis** for X .

Examples of basis and dimension

- The canonical basis of \mathbb{R}^2 contains the vectors
 $\{(1,0)^T, (0,1)^T\}$

Then **$\dim \mathbb{R}^2 = 2$** .

- The canonical basis of \mathbb{R}^n contains the vectors
 $\{(1,0,\dots,0)^T, (0,1,\dots,0)^T, \dots, (0,\dots,0,1)^T\}$

Then **$\dim \mathbb{R}^n = n$** .

- A basis for Π_2 is the set of power functions

$$\{1, x, x^2\}$$

Then **$\dim \Pi_2 = 3$** .

- If $M_{(2 \times 2)} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \delta \end{pmatrix}, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

then a basis is ...

and **$\dim M_{(2 \times 2)} = \dots$** ?

Fundamental subspaces associated with a matrix $A(m \times n)$: their dimension and a basis

The *Null space* of a matrix A : $\mathcal{N}(A)$ subspace of \mathbb{R}^n

$$\mathcal{N}(A) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax = \underline{0}\} \quad \mathcal{N}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

- **dim $\mathcal{N}(A) = n - r$** where r is the rank of A .
- A basis is obtained by solving the system $Ax = \underline{0}$.

The *Left null space* of a matrix A : $\mathcal{N}(A^T)$ subspace of \mathbb{R}^m

$$\mathcal{N}(A^T) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^m : A^T y = \underline{0}\} \quad \mathcal{N}(A^T) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$$

- **dim $\mathcal{N}(A^T) = m - r$** where r is the rank of A .
- A basis is obtained by solving the system $A^T x = \underline{0}$.

Fundamental subspaces associated with a matrix $A(m \times n)$: their dimension and a basis

The *Column space* of a matrix A : $\mathcal{R}(A)$ subspace of \mathbb{R}^m

$$\mathcal{R}(A) = \text{span}\{A_{:,1}, A_{:,2}, \dots, A_{:,n}\} \quad \mathcal{R}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$$

- **dim $\mathcal{R}(A) = r$** where r is the rank of A .
- A basis is obtained by the columns in A corresponding to pivots.

The *Row space* of a matrix A : $\mathcal{R}(A^T)$ subspace of \mathbb{R}^n

$$\mathcal{R}(A^T) = \text{span}\{A_{1,:}, A_{2,:}, \dots, A_{n,:}\} \quad \mathcal{R}(A^T) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

- **dim $\mathcal{R}(A^T) = r$** where r is the rank of A .
- A basis is obtained by the rows in A corresponding to pivots.

Example: Null Space and Left Null Space

MATLAB

```
A=[1 0 1;5 4 9;2 4 6];
NA=null(A)
NA =
    0.57735
    0.57735
   -0.57735
disp(norm(NA))
1
NAT=null(A')
NAT =
   -0.90453
    0.30151
   -0.30151
```

$\|\eta\|_2 = 1$

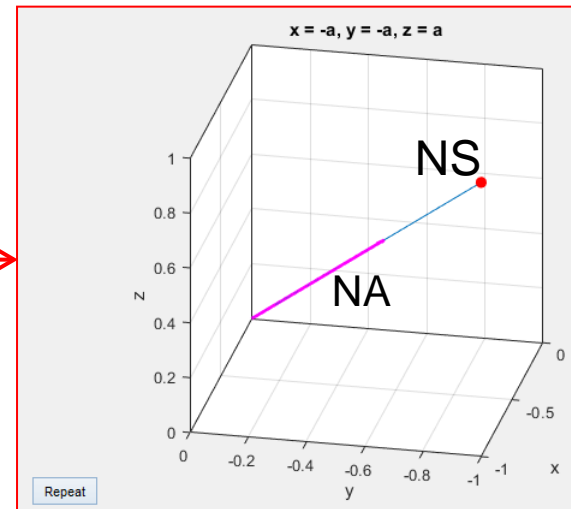
solution of the homogeneous system $Ax=0$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 4 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Symbolic Math Toolbox

```
S=sym([1 0 1;5 4 9;2 4 6]);
NS=null(S)
NS =
   -1
   -1
    1
disp(norm(NS))
3^(1/2)
NST=null(S')
NST =
    3
   -1
    1
```

```
syms a real; r = a*NS;
ezplot3(r(1),r(2),r(3),[0 1],'animate')
axis tight; axis equal; box on; hold on
h=quiver3(0,0,0,NA(1),NA(2),NA(3),1);
set(h,'Color','m','LineWidth',2)
view(-78,23)
```



Example: Column Space and Row Space

MATLAB

```
A=[1 0 1;5 4 9;2 4 6];
disp(rank(A))
```

```
2
RA = orth(A)
RA =
-0.091519    0.41646
-0.82791    0.47293
-0.55335    -0.77646
```

```
RAT=orth(A')
RAT =
-0.40119    0.71113
-0.41527   -0.70301
-0.81646    0.0081265
```

```
disp(rref(A))
1 0 1
0 1 0
0 0 0
```

```
disp(A(:,1:2))
1 0
5 4
2 4
```

```
RA'*RA
ans =
1 1.1102e-16
1.1102e-16 1
norm(RA(:,1))
ans =
1
```

orthonormal columns

```
disp(rank([A RA double(RS) double(RS1)]))
2
```

The **orth** function can also be applied to a symbolic matrix, but **colspace** cannot be applied to a numeric matrix.

Symbolic Math Toolbox

```
S=sym([1 0 1;5 4 9;2 4 6]);
disp(rank(S))
```

```
2
RS=colspace(S)
RS =
[ 1, 0]
[ 0, 1]
[-3, 1]
RST=colspace(S')
```

```
RST =
[ 1, 0]
[ 0, 1]
[ 1, 1]
```

```
RS'*RS
ans =
[10, -3]
[-3, 2]
norm(RS(:,1))
ans =
10^(1/2)
```

```
RS1=simplify(orth(S))
RS1 =
[30^(1/2)/30, -(7*330^(1/2))/330]
[ 30^(1/2)/6, -330^(1/2)/66]
[30^(1/2)/15, (8*330^(1/2))/165]
RS1'*RS1
ans =
[ 1, 0]
[ 0, 1]
norm(RS1(:,1))
ans =
1
```

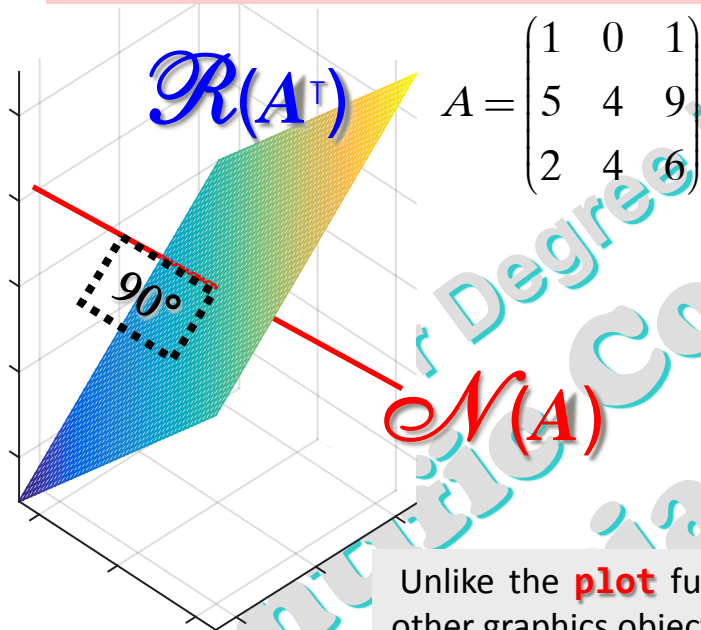
Null Space and Row Space

$$\mathcal{N}(A) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax = \underline{0}\}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\mathcal{R}(A^T) = \text{span}\{A_{1,:}, A_{2,:}, \dots, A_{m,:}\}$$

$$\mathcal{R}(A^T) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 4 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

`A=[1 0 1;5 4 9;2 4 6]; S=rref(A)`

`S =`

1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	0

linearly independent rows

`syms a b real; p=A([1 2],:)*[a b]';`

`fmesh(p(1),p(2),p(3),[-1 1]);`

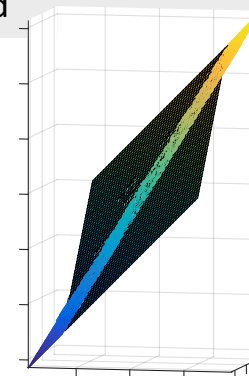
`axis('equal')`

`N=null(A)*[-10 10]; % two points on $\mathcal{N}(A)$`

`line(N(1,:),N(2,:),N(3,:),'Color','r')`

Unlike the **plot** function, **line** adds the line to the current axes without deleting other graphics objects: **hold on** doesn't need

```
p=A([1 2],:)*[a b]';
q=S([1 2],:)*[a b]';
fmesh(p(1),p(2),p(3),[-1 1])
axis('equal'); hold on
fsurf(q(1),q(2),q(3),[-5 5])
```



$\mathcal{R}(A^T)$

the same plane!

$\mathcal{R}(S^T)$

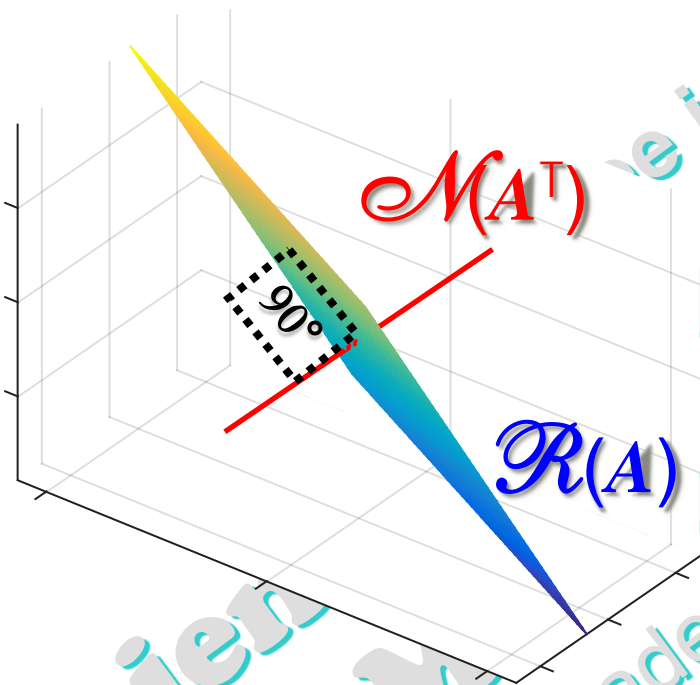
Left Null Space and Column Space

$$\mathcal{N}(A^T) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^m : A^T y = \underline{0}\}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(A^T) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$\mathcal{R}(A) = \text{span}\{A_{:,1}, A_{:,2}, \dots, A_{:,m}\}$$

$$\mathcal{R}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$$



```
A=[1 0 1;5 4 9;2 4 6]; S=rref(A)
```

```
S =
```

1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	0

linearly independent
cols

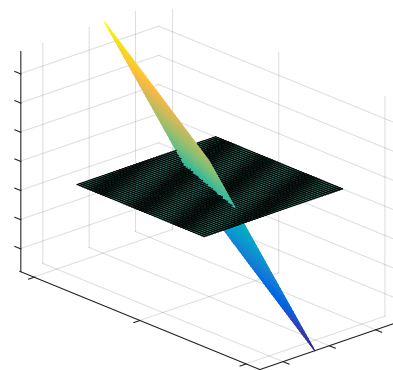
```
syms a b real; p=A(:,[1 2])*[a b]';
```

```
ezmesh(p(1),p(2),p(3)); axis('equal')
```

```
N=null(A')*[-10 10];% two points on  $\mathcal{N}(A^T)$ 
```

```
line(N(1,:),N(2,:),N(3,:))
```

```
p=A(:,[1 2])*[a b]';
q=S(:,[1 2])*[a b]';
fmesh(p(1),p(2),p(3));
axis('equal')
hold on; fsurf(q(1),q(2),q(3))
```



$\mathcal{R}(A)$

different planes!

$\mathcal{R}(S)$