

DEFINITION

The **dimension** of a nonzero subspace H , denoted by $\dim H$, is the number of vectors in any basis for H . The dimension of the zero subspace $\{0\}$ is defined to be zero.²

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The **rank** of a matrix A , denoted by $\text{rank } A$, is the dimension of the column space of A .

Since the basis of $\text{Col } A$ was made from the pivot columns of A then the dimension of $\text{Col } A$:

$$\text{rank } A = \dim(\text{Col } A) = \# \text{ of pivots}$$

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The Rank Theorem

If a matrix A has n columns, then $\text{rank } A + \dim \text{Nul } A = n$.

If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{\# of vbls in the eq.}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{\# of pivots}} + \xrightarrow{\text{\# of free vbls.}} = n$

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The Basis Theorem

Let H be a p -dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Any linearly independent set of exactly p elements in H is automatically a basis for H . Also, any set of p elements of H that spans H is automatically a basis for H .

use this hypothesis...

Let $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p \in H$

lin ind means $A = [v_1 | v_2 | \dots | v_p]$ has no free vbls...

Claim ① If $b \in H$ then $b = Ax$ for some $x \in \mathbb{R}^p$

trying to show there is x so that $b = v_1 x_1 + v_2 x_2 + \dots + v_p x_p$ Span of the vectors $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p \dots$

Idea... $[A|b]$ show that I can solve this ...

Hypothesis: H is a p -dim subspace of \mathbb{R}^n

means H has a basis with p vectors...

So there are vectors w_1, w_2, \dots, w_p that form a basis for H . That is

① w_1, w_2, \dots, w_p span H

② w_1, w_2, \dots, w_p lin. independent

Let
$$M = [w_1 | w_2 | \dots | w_p]$$

Note since M is a basis then $b \in H$ implies there is $y \in \mathbb{R}^p$ such that $b = My \dots$

Since $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p \in H$ then

$$v_1 = My_1, \quad v_2 = My_2, \quad \dots, \quad v_p = My_p$$

for some vectors $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_p \in \mathbb{R}^p$

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We'll work an example of the Basis Theorem on Friday and then explain how the above ideas fit together to make a proof of that theorem..