

Quiz 6

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1. Let T be a transformation from \mathbb{R}^4 to \mathbb{R}^2 defined by a matrix

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

- Find the basis for the column space $\text{Col}(A)$ of A (same as image $\text{Im}(T)$ of T)

Reduce A to REF

$$A \xrightarrow{r_2 \rightarrow r_2 - r_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ Pivot columns in } A$$

are 1-st and 3-rd. So the basis for $\text{Col}(A)$ is

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

- Find the basis for the null space $\text{Null}(A)$ of A (same as kernel $\text{Ker}(T)$ of T)

A is already reduced to RREF
General solution is

$$x_1 = -2x_2 - x_4, \quad \text{Therefore, the basis for } \text{Ker } T \text{ is}$$

$$x_2 = 1 \cdot x_2 + 0 \cdot x_4,$$

$$x_3 = 0 \cdot x_2 + 2 \cdot x_4,$$

$$x_4 = 0 \cdot x_2 + 1 \cdot x_4.$$

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

- Find the basis for the row space $\text{Row}(A)$ of A

The basis for $\text{Row}(A)$ consists of nonzero rows in $\text{REF}(A)$. Thus, the basis here is

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right).$$