

Gauss-Jordan method

$$AA^{-1} = I \quad [A | I] \rightarrow [I | A^{-1}]$$

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b} \quad [A | \vec{b}] \rightarrow [I | \vec{x}]$$

1. Mechanical Inverses

For each sub-part below, determine whether or not the inverse of  $A$  exists. If it exists, compute the inverse using Gauss-Jordan method.

matrix is not invertible if cols/rows are lin dep  
" " if it is not square

(a)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow \frac{R_2}{9}} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{9} \end{array} \right] \quad A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{9} \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) (PRACTICE)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} a & b & 1 & 0 \\ c & d & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow \frac{R_1}{a}} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & \frac{b}{a} & \frac{1}{a} & 0 \\ c & d & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - cR_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & \frac{b}{a} & \frac{1}{a} & 0 \\ 0 & d - \frac{bc}{a} & -\frac{c}{a} & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{d - \frac{bc}{a}} R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & \frac{b}{a} & \frac{1}{a} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-c}{ad - bc} & \frac{a}{ad - bc} \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & \frac{b}{a} & \frac{1}{a} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-c}{ad - bc} & \frac{a}{ad - bc} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - \frac{b}{a} R_2}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{a} + \frac{b}{a} \frac{c}{ad - bc} & \frac{-b}{ad - bc} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-c}{ad - bc} & \frac{a}{ad - bc} \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & \frac{d}{ad - bc} & \frac{-b}{ad - bc} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-c}{ad - bc} & \frac{a}{ad - bc} \end{array} \right]$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

(d)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  not invertible  $\rightarrow$  not square

(e)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 & 15 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$   $\vec{a}_1 = \vec{a}_2$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 5 & 5 & 15 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow \frac{R_1}{5}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 3 & \frac{1}{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 3 & \frac{1}{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{5} & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 2R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 3 & \frac{1}{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -\frac{2}{5} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{5} & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 \cdot \frac{1}{-2}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 3 & \frac{1}{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{5} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{5} & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 3 & \frac{1}{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{5} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{2}{5} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

row of zeros  
= lin dep cols/rows  
 $\rightarrow$  not invertible

## 2. Exploring Column Spaces and Null Spaces

- The **column space** is the **span** of the column vectors of the matrix.
- The **null space** is the set of input vectors that output the zero vector.

For the following matrices, answer the following questions:

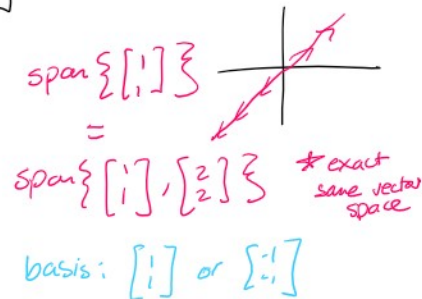
- What is the column space of  $A$ ? What is its dimension?
- What is the null space of  $A$ ? What is its dimension?
- Are the column spaces of the row reduced matrix  $A$  and the original matrix  $A$  the same?
- Do the columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ? Do they form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ? Why or why not?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \downarrow & \downarrow & \dots & \downarrow \\ a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \dots & \uparrow \end{bmatrix}$$

col space:  $C(A) = \text{span} \{ \vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \dots, \vec{a}_n \}$   
 null space:  $N(A) = \text{all } \vec{x} \text{ such that } A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

**dimension** of a vector space: number of basis vectors

basis vectors: linearly independent vectors that define a vector space



- What is the column space of  $A$ ? What is its **dimension**?

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $C(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 ↑ lin dep col vectors      ↘  $= \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\dim = 1$  ← only 1 lin ind vector to define space

(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $C(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

$\dim = 1$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{reduce}]{\text{row}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  lin ind col vectors       $C(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \mathbb{R}^2$

$\dim = 2$

↑ max # of pivots = 2  
 max # of lin ind vec  $\in \mathbb{R}^2 = 2$

(d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{reduce}]{\text{row}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  1 pivot = 1 lin ind col

$C(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 $\dim = 1$

(e)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 & -4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{reduce}]{\text{row}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -7/2 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{2} & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$  2 pivots = 2 lin ind cols

$C(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 $= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \mathbb{R}^2$

ii. What is the null space of A? What is its dimension?

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $N(A) = \text{all } \vec{x} \text{ s.t. } A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$   
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $x_1 = 0$   
 $x_2 = \text{anything} = \alpha$   $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $N(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 $\dim = 1$

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

(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $x_2 = 0$   
 $x_1 = \text{anything} = \alpha$   $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $0 \cdot x_1 + 1 \cdot x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = 0$   
 $N(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   $\dim = 1$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & | & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $x_1 = 0$   
 $x_2 = 0$   $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $N(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \vec{0}$   $\dim = 0$

(d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$   $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 & | & 0 \\ 3 & -6 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $x_1 - 2x_2 = 0$   $x_1 = 2\alpha$   
 $x_2 = \text{anything} = \alpha$   $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\alpha \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$N(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   $\dim = 1$   $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$   $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

(e)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 & -4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$   $N(A) \in \mathbb{R}^4$   $N(A) = \text{all } \vec{x} \text{ s.t. } A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$   
 $2 \times 4$   $4 \times 1$   
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 & -4 & | & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & -3 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{7}{2} & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $x_3 = \alpha$   
 $x_4 = \beta$   $x_3 = \alpha$   $x_4 = \beta$   $\text{anything}$   
 $x_1 + \frac{1}{2}x_3 - \frac{7}{2}x_4 = 0$   $x_1 = -\frac{1}{2}\alpha + \frac{7}{2}\beta$   
 $x_2 + \frac{5}{2}x_3 + \frac{1}{2}x_4 = 0$   $x_2 = -\frac{5}{2}\alpha - \frac{1}{2}\beta$   
 $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2}\alpha + \frac{7}{2}\beta \\ -\frac{5}{2}\alpha - \frac{1}{2}\beta \\ \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ -5/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} 7/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $N(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ -5/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 7/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 $\dim = 2$

iii. Are the column spaces of the row reduced matrix A and the original matrix A the same?  $C(A_{rr}) \stackrel{?}{=} C(A)$

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A$   $A_{rr} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A$  **yes**

(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = A$   $A_{rr} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $C(A) \stackrel{?}{=} C(A_{rr})$

$C(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   $\stackrel{?}{=} C(A_{rr}) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
**no**

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = A$   $A_{rr} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $C(A) \stackrel{?}{=} C(A_{rr}) = \mathbb{R}^2$  **yes**

(d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix} = A$   $A_{rr} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $C(A) \neq C(A_{rr})$  **no**

(e)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 & -4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = A$   $A_{rr} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{7}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{5}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$  **yes** **both span  $\mathbb{R}^2$**

iv. Do the columns of  $A$  form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ? Why or why not?

cols are lin ind vec + cols span  $\mathbb{R}^2$  = basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$

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(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

X

X

X

(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

X

X

X

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

✓

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(d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$

X

X

X

(e)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 & -4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

X

✓

X