

**MATH 310, Section 4.6 Solutions**

2.  $A = [1 \ 2 \ 3]$

- (a) The rank of  $A$  is 1
- (b) A basis for the row space is  $\{(1, 2, 3)\}$
- (c) A basis for the column space is  $\{[1]\}$

8.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & -3 & -6 \\ 7 & 14 & -6 & -3 \\ -2 & -4 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 4 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & -3 & -6 \\ 7 & 14 & -6 & -3 \\ -2 & -4 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 7 & 14 & -6 & -3 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & -6 \\ -2 & -4 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  From this, you can read off all the answers:

- (a) The rank of  $A$  is 2.
- (b) Basis for the row space is  $\{(1, 2, 0, 3), (0, 0, 1, 4)\}$
- (c) Basis for the column space is  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -6 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

12. Find a basis for the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  spanned by  $S = \{(2, 5, -3, -2), (-2, -3, 2, -5), (1, 3, -2, 2), (-1, -5, 3, 5)\}$ .

For this, we find a basis of the row space of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & -3 & -2 \\ -2 & -3 & 2 & -5 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & 2 \\ -1 & -5 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & -3 & 2 & -5 \\ 2 & 5 & -3 & -2 \\ -1 & -5 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -6 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -16 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -19 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 19 \end{bmatrix}$

$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -16 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -19 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -13 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -19 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

From this, you can see that a basis for the row space (hence for the subspace spanned by the rows) is  $S = \{(1, 0, 0, 3), (0, 1, 0, -13), (0, 0, 1, -19)\}$ .

18. Find a basis for and the dimension of the solution space of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ , where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 & 21 \\ -2 & 4 & -14 \\ 1 & -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Working this out with Gauss-Jordan,  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 & 21 & 0 \\ -2 & 4 & -14 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 7 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 7 & 0 \\ -2 & 4 & -14 & 0 \\ 3 & -6 & 21 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Thus, the solutions are  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2s - 7t \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Thus,  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for the solution space, and the dimension of the solution space is 2.

19. Determine if  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is in the column space of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

In other words, determine if  $x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  has any solutions.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

As you can now see, there are no solutions to this system, so  $\mathbf{b}$  is **not** in the column space of  $A$ .