

① (i) Since the matrix is already in RREF, a basis for the row space is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and a basis for the column space is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

For the null space, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= x_1 \\ x_2 &= x_4 - 2x_5 \\ x_3 &= -x_4 + x_5, \text{ with free variables } x_1, x_4, \text{ and } x_5. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_4 &= x_4 \\ x_5 &= x_5 \end{aligned}$$

We thus have
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + u \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + v \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

so a basis for the null space is:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 2 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} &\sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 3 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\text{RREF}(B) = A$, the row space and null space of B are the same as those of A . A basis for the column space of B is:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

(2) Since the second row is 2 times the first row, we immediately see $\text{rank}_2(A) = 1$. Since A has 4 columns, we also see $\text{nullity}(A) = 4 - 1 = 3$.

The dimension of the row space and the dimension of the column space are both equal to 1 (the rank).

(3) $\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (2-\lambda)(1-\lambda)^2 = 0$ for an eigenvalue λ .

Therefore, ~~a basis for the null space~~ the eigenspaces are $\lambda_1 = 2$, $\lambda_2 = 1$.

~~Corresponding~~ $A - \lambda_1 I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$,

with null space $t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Thus

$\left\{ 1, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is an eigenvalue/eigenvector pair.

$A - \lambda_2 I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ with null space

$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + u \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. A basis for the

eigenspace corresponding to $\lambda_2 = 1$ is

thus: $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$