

# Book Homework #8 Answers

## Math 217 W11

**4.5.12.** The matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & -8 & -3 \\ -2 & 4 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$  row-reduces to  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , so the columns of the matrix span a three-dimensional space (in fact they span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ).

**4.5.14.** The nullspace and column space of  $A$  are each three-dimensional. (There are three columns with pivots and three columns without.)

**4.5.22.** In the standard coordinates for  $\mathbb{P}_3$ , the proposed basis polynomials have coordinates  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -18 \\ 9 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . These coordinate vectors form an invertible triangular matrix, so they are a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . The polynomials they represent is a basis of  $\mathbb{P}_3$ .

**4.5.24.**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -8 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

**4.5.26.** Let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be a basis of  $H$ . Then the basis elements are  $n = \dim V$  independent elements of  $V$ , so by the Basis Theorem, this basis of  $H$  is a basis of  $V$ , and  $H = V$ .

**4.6.4.** The rank of  $A$  is 3, and  $\dim \text{Nul } A$  (the nullity) is also 3.

$$\text{Basis for Col } A: \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 10 \\ 1 \\ -5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Basis for Row  $A$ :  $\{(1, 1, -3, 7, 9, -9), (0, 1, -1, 3, 4, -3), (0, 0, 0, 1, -1, -2)\}$ .

$$\text{Basis for Nul } A: \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ -4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

**4.6.10.** The column space is one-dimensional.

**4.6.18.**

- False. The columns of a (row) echelon form of  $A$  are not generally in the column space of  $A$ .
- False. Row operations preserve the linear relations among the columns.
- True. Either use the rank-nullity theorem, or our recipe for constructing our basis of  $\text{Nul } A$ .
- True.
- True. Row operations preserve the row space.

**4.6.20.** If we represent this system in the form  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , then  $A$  is matrix with 8 columns. Since the solution set has two free variables,  $\text{Nul } A$  is two-dimensional. By Theorem 14,  $A$  has rank 6. Since the column space is a 6-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^6$ ,  $\text{Col } A = \mathbb{R}^6$ . Thus  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}'$  would be consistent for any  $\mathbf{b}'$ .

**4.6.22.** Write the system in the form  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ . Then  $A$  is a  $10 \times 12$  matrix. The rank of  $A$  is the dimension of a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{10}$ , so the rank is at most 10. By Theorem 14, the dimension of  $\text{Nul } A$ , which is also the number of free variables, is at least two. Thus the solution space cannot be spanned by a single vector.

**4.6.30.**  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is consistent  $\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{b} \in \text{Col } A \Leftrightarrow \text{Col } A = \text{Col } [A \ \mathbf{b}] \Leftrightarrow \text{rank } A = \text{rank } [A \ \mathbf{b}]$ .