

## Four fundamental subspaces

### 4 Subspaces:

1. Column space  $C(A)$

2. Null space  $N(A)$

3. Row space  $C(A^T)$  • All combinations of the rows of  $A$   
= all combs of cols of  $A^T$

4. Null space of  $A^T$   $N(A^T)$  • "left" null space of  $A$

Given  $A$  is  $m \times n$ ,  $C(A) \subset R^m$ ,  $N(A) \subset R^n$ ,  $C(A^T) = R^m$ ,  $N(A^T) \subset R^n$

### BASIS and DIMENSION

$C(A)$ : basis is pivot cols (after row reduction)  
dimension is  $\text{rank}(A) = r$

$C(A^T)$ : dimension is  $\text{rank}(A) = r$   
basis is first  $r$  rows of  $R$  (reduce row-echelon matrix)

$N(A)$ : dimension is # free variables =  $n - r$   
basis is special soln when setting free variables

$N(A^T)$ : dimension is  $m - r$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = R$$

- Row operations preserve row space not col space
- $C(R) \neq C(A)$
- $C(R) = C(A^T)$

A basis for the row space of  $A$  or  $R$   
is the  $1^{\text{st}}$   $r$  rows of  $R$

### Left Nullspace

do G-J elimination

$$[A \ I] = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{ref}} [R \ E] \quad \text{so } EA = R$$

do my operations on  $I$  retroactively

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} x^{-1} & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & x^{-1} & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] = E$$

Write out  $EA = R$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

We get nullspace by  
 $-1 \times \text{row}_1(A) + 0 \times \text{row}_2(A) + 1 \times \text{row}_3(A)$

The basis for the left nullspace is the last  $m-r$  rows  
of elimination matrix  $E$