

Quiz

- ▶ Restate equations

$$\mathbf{v}_0 = \mathbf{v}_0^*$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \alpha_{01}\mathbf{v}_0^* + \mathbf{v}_1$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \alpha_{02}\mathbf{v}_0^* + \alpha_{12}\mathbf{v}_1^* + \mathbf{v}_2$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \alpha_{03}\mathbf{v}_0^* + \alpha_{13}\mathbf{v}_1^* + \alpha_{23}\mathbf{v}_2^* + \mathbf{v}_3$$

as a single matrix equation: (some matrix) = (some other matrix) (yet another matrix)

- ▶ What is special about the two matrices on the right-hand side?
- ▶ Let $\mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_1^*, \mathbf{v}_2^*, \mathbf{v}_3^*$ be mutually orthogonal vectors. Assume in addition that they are nonzero. You are to show that they are linearly independent. That is, if $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$ satisfy the equation

$$\mathbf{0} = \alpha_0\mathbf{v}_0^* + \alpha_1\mathbf{v}_1^* + \alpha_2\mathbf{v}_2^* + \alpha_3\mathbf{v}_3^*$$

then $\alpha_0 = 0, \alpha_1 = 0, \alpha_2 = 0, \alpha_3 = 0$.

For purposes of this proof, it suffices to show that $\alpha_0 = 0$.

Matrix form for orthogonalize

For `project_orthogonal`, we had

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0 & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_n & \mathbf{b}^\perp \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_0 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For `orthogonalize`, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0 \\ \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \\ \mathbf{v}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0^* \\ \mathbf{v}_0^* & \mathbf{v}_1^* \\ \mathbf{v}_0^* & \mathbf{v}_1^* & 2\mathbf{v}_2^* \\ \mathbf{v}_0^* & \mathbf{v}_1^* & \mathbf{v}_2^* & \mathbf{v}_3^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \alpha_{01} \\ \alpha_{02} \\ \alpha_{03} \\ 1 \\ \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{13} \\ \alpha_{23} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0 & \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_2 & \mathbf{v}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0^* & \mathbf{v}_1^* & \mathbf{v}_2^* & \mathbf{v}_3^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha_{01} & \alpha_{02} & \alpha_{03} \\ & 1 & \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{13} \\ & & 1 & \alpha_{23} \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Proof: Let $\mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n^*$ be mutually orthogonal nonzero vectors.

Suppose $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ are coefficients such that

$$\mathbf{0} = \alpha_0 \mathbf{v}_0^* + \alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1^* + \dots + \alpha_n \mathbf{v}_n^*$$

We must show that therefore the coefficients are all zero.

To show that α_0 is zero, take inner product with \mathbf{v}_0^* on both sides:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{0} \rangle &= \langle \mathbf{v}_0^*, \alpha_0 \mathbf{v}_0^* + \alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1^* + \dots + \alpha_n \mathbf{v}_n^* \rangle \\ &= \alpha_0 \langle \mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_0^* \rangle + \alpha_1 \langle \mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_1^* \rangle + \dots + \alpha_n \langle \mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_n^* \rangle \\ &= \alpha_0 \|\mathbf{v}_0^*\|^2 + \alpha_1 0 + \dots + \alpha_n 0 \\ &= \alpha_0 \|\mathbf{v}_0^*\|^2\end{aligned}$$

The inner product $\langle \mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{0} \rangle$ is zero, so $\alpha_0 \|\mathbf{v}_0^*\|^2 = 0$. Since \mathbf{v}_0^* is nonzero, its norm is nonzero, so the only solution is $\alpha_0 = 0$.

Can similarly show that $\alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_n = 0$.

QED

Computing a basis

Proposition: Mutually orthogonal nonzero vectors are linearly independent.

What happens if we call the `orthogonalize` procedure on a list `vlist=[$\mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$]` of vectors that are linearly dependent?

$\dim \text{Span} \{ \mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n \} < n + 1.$

`orthogonalize([$\mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$])` returns $[\mathbf{v}_0^*, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n^*]$

The vectors $\mathbf{v}_0^*, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n^*$ are mutually orthogonal.

They can't be linearly independent since they span a space of dimension less than $n + 1$.

Therefore some of them must be zero vectors.

Leaving out the zero vectors does not change the space spanned...

Let S be the subset of $\{ \mathbf{v}_0^*, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n^* \}$ consisting of nonzero vectors.

$\text{Span } S = \text{Span} \{ \mathbf{v}_0^*, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n^* \} = \text{Span} \{ \mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n \}$

Proposition implies that S is linearly independent.

Thus S is a basis for $\text{Span} \{ \mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n \}.$

Computing a basis

Therefore in principle the following algorithm computes a basis for $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$:

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```

Example:

Suppose $\text{orthogonalize}([\mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4, \mathbf{v}_5, \mathbf{v}_6])$ returns $[\mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_1^*, \mathbf{v}_2^*, \mathbf{v}_3^*, \mathbf{v}_4^*, \mathbf{v}_5^*, \mathbf{v}_6^*]$ and the vectors $\mathbf{v}_2^*, \mathbf{v}_4^*$, and \mathbf{v}_5^* are zero.

Then the remaining output vectors $\mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_1^*, \mathbf{v}_3^*, \mathbf{v}_6^*$ form a basis for $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4, \mathbf{v}_5, \mathbf{v}_6\}$.

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Is this correct?

Correctness of find_subset_basis

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Thus `orthogonalize($[\mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_6]$)` would return $[\mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_1^*, \mathbf{v}_3^*, \mathbf{v}_6^*]$.

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Correctness of find_subset_basis

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def find_subset_basis([ $\mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ ):  
    [ $\mathbf{v}_0^*, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n^*$ ] = orthogonalize([ $\mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ ])  
    Return [ $\mathbf{v}_i$  for  $i$  in  $\{0, \dots, n\}$  if  $\mathbf{v}_i^*$  is not  
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Suppose \mathbf{v}_2^* , \mathbf{v}_4^* , and \mathbf{v}_5^* are zero vectors.

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and [$\mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_6$] spans the same space, and has the same cardinality.

[$\mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_6$] is also a basis for \mathcal{V} .

Correctness of find_subset_basis

Another way to justify `find_subset_basis`...

Here's the matrix equation expressing original vectors in terms of starred vectors:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0 & \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0^* & \mathbf{v}_1^* & \mathbf{v}_2^* & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_n^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha_{01} & \alpha_{02} & & \alpha_{0n} \\ & 1 & \alpha_{12} & & \alpha_{1n} \\ & & 1 & & \alpha_{2n} \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Correctness of find_subset_basis

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|c|c} \mathbf{v}_0 & \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_2 & \mathbf{v}_3 & \mathbf{v}_4 & \mathbf{v}_5 & \mathbf{v}_6 \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|c|c} \mathbf{v}_0^* & \mathbf{v}_1^* & \mathbf{v}_2^* & \mathbf{v}_3^* & \mathbf{v}_4^* & \mathbf{v}_5^* & \mathbf{v}_6^* \end{array} \right]$$

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Delete zero columns and the corresponding rows of the triangular matrix. Shows

$\text{Span} \{ \mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4, \mathbf{v}_5, \mathbf{v}_6 \} \subseteq \text{Span} \{ \mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_1^*, \mathbf{v}_3^*, \mathbf{v}_6^* \}$

so $\{ \mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_1^*, \mathbf{v}_3^*, \mathbf{v}_6^* \}$ is a basis for \mathcal{V}

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Correctness of find_subset_basis

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c|c|c} \mathbf{v}_0 & \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_3 & \mathbf{v}_6 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & \alpha_{01} & \alpha_{03} & \alpha_{06} \\ & 1 & \alpha_{13} & \alpha_{16} \\ & & 1 & \alpha_{36} \\ & & & 1 \end{array} \right]^{-1}$$

$$= \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c|c} \mathbf{v}_0^* & \mathbf{v}_1^* & \mathbf{v}_3^* & \mathbf{v}_6^* \end{array} \right]$$

Let $\mathcal{V} = \text{Span} \{ \mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4, \mathbf{v}_5, \mathbf{v}_6 \}$.

Suppose \mathbf{v}_2^* , \mathbf{v}_4^* , and \mathbf{v}_5^* are zero vectors.

Delete zero columns and the corresponding rows of the triangular matrix. Shows

$\text{Span} \{ \mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4, \mathbf{v}_5, \mathbf{v}_6 \} \subseteq \text{Span} \{ \mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_1^*, \mathbf{v}_3^*, \mathbf{v}_6^* \}$

so $\{ \mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_1^*, \mathbf{v}_3^*, \mathbf{v}_6^* \}$ is a basis for \mathcal{V}

Delete corresponding original columns \mathbf{v}_2 , \mathbf{v}_4 , \mathbf{v}_5 .

Resulting triangular matrix is invertible. Move it to other side.

Shows $\text{Span} \{ \mathbf{v}_0^*, \mathbf{v}_1^*, \mathbf{v}_2^*, \mathbf{v}_6^* \} \subseteq \text{Span} \{ \mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_6 \}$ so $\{ \mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_6 \}$ is basis for \mathcal{V} .

QED

Roundoff error in computing a basis

In principle the following algorithm computes a basis for $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$:

```
def find_basis( $[\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n]$ )  
    Use orthogonalize to compute  $[\mathbf{v}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n^*]$   
    Return the list consisting of the nonzero vectors in this list.
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However: the computer uses floating-point calculations.

Due to round-off error, the vectors that are supposed to be zero won't be exactly zero.

Instead, consider a vector \mathbf{v} to be zero if $\mathbf{v} * \mathbf{v}$ is very small (e.g. smaller than 10^{-20}):

```
def find_basis( $[\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n]$ )  
    Use orthogonalize to compute  $[\mathbf{v}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n^*]$   
    Return the list consisting of vectors in this list  
    that are nearly zero vectors
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Can use this procedure in turn to define **rank(vlist)** and **is_independent(vlist)**.

Algorithm for finding basis for null space

Now let's find null space of matrix with columns $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$.

Here's the matrix equation expressing original vectors in terms of starred vectors:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0 & \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0^* & \mathbf{v}_1^* & \mathbf{v}_2^* & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_n^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha_{01} & \alpha_{02} & & \alpha_{0n} \\ & 1 & \alpha_{12} & & \alpha_{1n} \\ & & 1 & & \alpha_{2n} \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Can transform this to express starred vectors in terms of original vectors.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0 & \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha_{01} & \alpha_{02} & & \alpha_{0n} \\ & 1 & \alpha_{12} & & \alpha_{1n} \\ & & 1 & & \alpha_{2n} \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0^* & \mathbf{v}_1^* & \mathbf{v}_2^* & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_n^* \end{bmatrix}$$

Basis for null space

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|c|c} \mathbf{v}_0 & \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_2 & \mathbf{v}_3 & \mathbf{v}_4 & \mathbf{v}_5 & \mathbf{v}_6 \end{array} \right] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha_{01} & \alpha_{02} & \alpha_{03} & \alpha_{04} & \alpha_{05} & \alpha_{06} \\ & 1 & \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{13} & \alpha_{14} & \alpha_{15} & \alpha_{16} \\ & & 1 & \alpha_{23} & \alpha_{24} & \alpha_{25} & \alpha_{26} \\ & & & 1 & \alpha_{34} & \alpha_{35} & \alpha_{36} \\ & & & & 1 & \alpha_{45} & \alpha_{46} \\ & & & & & 1 & \alpha_{56} \\ & & & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\ = \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|c|c} \mathbf{v}_0^* & \mathbf{v}_1^* & \mathbf{v}_2^* & \mathbf{v}_3^* & \mathbf{v}_4^* & \mathbf{v}_5^* & \mathbf{v}_6^* \end{array} \right]$$

Suppose \mathbf{v}_2^* , \mathbf{v}_4^* , and \mathbf{v}_5^* are (approximately) zero vectors.

- ▶ Corresp. cols of inverse triang. matrix are vecs of null space of leftmost matrix.
- ▶ These columns are clearly linearly independent so they span a basis of dimension 3.
- ▶ Rank-Nullity Theorem shows that the null space has dimension 3 so these columns are a basis for null space.

Computing basis for null space

$$\text{Write } \left[\mathbf{v}_0 \mid \cdots \mid \mathbf{v}_n \right] \left[T \right]^{-1} = \left[\mathbf{v}_0^* \mid \cdots \mid \mathbf{v}_n^* \right]$$

Then one basis for null space consists of columns of T^{-1} corresponding to zero vectors among $\mathbf{v}_0^*, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n^*$.

How to compute columns of inverse of T ?

Use matrix-matrix equation $\left[T \right] T^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ Column i of T^{-1} is a solution to matrix-vector equation $T\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{e}_i$, where \mathbf{e}_i is standard basis vector i

$$\mathbf{e}_i = [0, \dots, 0, \underbrace{1}_{\text{entry } i}, 0, \dots, 0]$$

How to solve matrix-vector equation? [backward substitution](#)

Orthogonal complement

Let \mathcal{U} be a subspace of \mathcal{W} .

For each vector \mathbf{b} in \mathcal{W} , we can write $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}^{\parallel\mathcal{U}} + \mathbf{b}^{\perp\mathcal{U}}$ where

- ▶ $\mathbf{b}^{\parallel\mathcal{U}}$ is in \mathcal{U} , and
- ▶ $\mathbf{b}^{\perp\mathcal{U}}$ is orthogonal to every vector in \mathcal{U} .

Let \mathcal{V} be the set $\{\mathbf{b}^{\perp\mathcal{U}} : \mathbf{b} \in \mathcal{W}\}$.

Definition: We call \mathcal{V} the *orthogonal complement* of \mathcal{U} in \mathcal{W}

Easy observations:

- ▶ Every vector in \mathcal{V} is orthogonal to every vector in \mathcal{U} .
- ▶ Every vector \mathbf{b} in \mathcal{W} can be written as the sum of a vector in \mathcal{U} and a vector in \mathcal{V} .

Maybe $\mathcal{U} \oplus \mathcal{V} = \mathcal{W}$? To show direct sum of \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{V} is defined, we need to show that the only in vector that is in both \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{V} is the zero vector.

Any vector \mathbf{w} in both \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{V} is orthogonal to itself.

Thus $0 = \langle \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = \|\mathbf{w}\|^2$.

By Property N2 of norms, that means $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{0}$.

Therefore $\mathcal{U} \oplus \mathcal{V} = \mathcal{W}$. **Recall:** $\dim \mathcal{U} + \dim \mathcal{V} = \dim \mathcal{U} \oplus \mathcal{V}$

Orthogonal complement: example

Example: Let $\mathcal{U} = \text{Span} \{[1, 1, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1, 1]\}$. Let \mathcal{V} denote the orthogonal complement of \mathcal{U} in \mathbb{R}^4 . What vectors form a basis for \mathcal{V} ?

Every vector in \mathcal{U} has the form $[a, a, b, b]$.

Therefore any vector of the form $[c, -c, d, -d]$ is orthogonal to every vector in \mathcal{U} .

Every vector in $\text{Span} \{[1, -1, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1, -1]\}$ is orthogonal to every vector in \mathcal{U} ...

... so $\text{Span} \{[1, -1, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1, -1]\}$ is a subspace of \mathcal{V} , the orthogonal complement of \mathcal{U} in \mathbb{R}^4 .

Is it the whole thing?

$\mathcal{U} \oplus \mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^4$ so $\dim \mathcal{U} + \dim \mathcal{V} = 4$.

$\{[1, 1, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1, 1]\}$ is linearly independent so $\dim \mathcal{U} = 2$... so $\dim \mathcal{V} = 2$

$\{[1, -1, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1, -1]\}$ is linearly independent
so $\dim \text{Span} \{[1, -1, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1, -1]\}$ is also 2....

so $\text{Span} \{[1, -1, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1, -1]\} = \mathcal{V}$.

Orthogonal complement: example

Example: Find a basis for the null space of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

By the dot-product definition of matrix-vector multiplication, a vector \mathbf{v} is in the null space of A if the dot-product of each row of A with \mathbf{v} is zero.

Thus the null space of A equals the orthogonal complement of Row A in \mathbb{R}^4 .

Since the three rows of A are linearly independent, we know $\dim \text{Row } A = 3 \dots$

so the dimension of the orthogonal complement of Row A in \mathbb{R}^4 is $4 - 3 = 1 \dots$

The vector $[1, \frac{1}{10}, \frac{13}{20}, \frac{-23}{40}]$ has a dot-product of zero with every row of $A \dots$

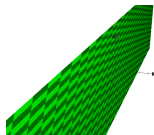
so this vector forms a basis for the orthogonal complement.

and thus a basis for the null space of A .

Using orthogonalization to find intersection of geometric objects

Example: Find the intersection of

- ▶ the plane spanned by $[1, 2, -2]$ and $[0, 1, 1]$
- ▶ the plane spanned by $[1, 0, 0]$ and $[0, 1, -1]$



The orthogonal complement in \mathbb{R}^3 of the first plane is $\text{Span} \{[4, -1, 1]\}$.

Therefore first plane is $\{[x, y, z] \in \mathbb{R}^3 : [4, -1, 1] \cdot [x, y, z] = 0\}$

The orthogonal complement in \mathbb{R}^3 of the second plane is $\text{Span} \{[0, 1, 1]\}$.

Therefore second plane is $\{[x, y, z] \in \mathbb{R}^3 : [0, 1, 1] \cdot [x, y, z] = 0\}$

The intersection of these two sets is the set

$$\{[x, y, z] \in \mathbb{R}^3 : [4, -1, 1] \cdot [x, y, z] = 0 \text{ and } [0, 1, 1] \cdot [x, y, z] = 0\}$$

How to find a basis for this solution set? We saw (in Lecture of 10/30) that is is just a basis for

the null space of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

The null space of A is the orthogonal complement of $\text{Span} \{[4, -1, 1], [0, 1, 1]\}$ in \mathbb{R}^3 ...
which is $\text{Span} \{[1, 2, -2]\}$