#### Announcements Feb 12

- Midterm 2 on March 6
- WeBWorK 2.6 due Thursday
- My office hours Monday 3-4 and Wed 2-3
- TA office hours in Skiles 230 (you can go to any of these!)
  - Isabella Thu 2-3
  - Kyle Thu 1-3
  - Kalen Mon/Wed 1-1:50
  - Sidhanth Tue 10:45-11:45
- PLUS sessions Mon/Wed 6-7 LLC West with Miguel (different this week)

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• Supplemental problems and practice exams on the master web site

# Section 2.9

The rank theorem

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## Rank Theorem

On the left are solutions to Ax = 0, on the right is Col(A):



#### Rank Theorem

 $\operatorname{rank}(A) = \operatorname{dim} \operatorname{Col}(A) = \#$  pivot columns  $\operatorname{nullity}(A) = \operatorname{dim} \operatorname{Nul}(A) = \#$  nonpivot columns

Rank Theorem. rank(A) + nullity(A) = #cols(A)

This ties together everything in the whole chapter: rank A describes the b's so that Ax = b is consistent and the nullity describes the solutions to Ax = 0. So more flexibility with b means less flexibility with x, and vice versa.

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Example. 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Section 2.9 Summary

• Rank Theorem. rank(A) + dim Nul(A) = #cols(A)