DEFINITION

A **subspace** of \mathbb{R}^n is any set H in \mathbb{R}^n that has three properties:

- a. The zero vector is in H.
- ζ b. For each **u** and v n H, the sum $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is in H.
- c. For each \mathbf{u} in H and each scalar c, the vector $c\mathbf{u}$ is in H.

From (c) you could take the scalar C=-1 the cu=-u Therefore -u is in H. could write this as -u EH

From (b) you could then take V=-u since that's in H Therefore u+v= u+(-u)=0 is in H.

The main purpose of (a) is to guarantee the sont the empty set.

The column snace of a matrix A is the set Col A of all linear combinations of the

A R Max n

10 N

columns of A.

. The same as the range of the function f(x) = Ax... rangef = {f(x): x & R" }

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The **null space** of a matrix A is the set Nul A of all solutions of the homogeneous

FINITION

A **basis** for a subspace H of \mathbb{R}^n is a linearly independent set in H that spans H.

We'll discuss how to create a basis for the null space Nul(A) of the matrix A and then finish chapter 2. Please start reading chapter 3 about determinants...