

Vector Spaces

(a) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(c) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$

(d) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

(e) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

(f) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 10 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$

5. For each consistent system in Exercise 4, determine whether there will be one or infinitely many solutions by examining the column vectors of the coefficient matrix A .

6. How many solutions will the linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ have if \mathbf{b} is in the column space of A and the column vectors of A are linearly dependent? Explain.

7. Let A be an $6 \times n$ matrix of rank r and let \mathbf{b} be a vector in \mathbb{R}^6 . For each pair of values of r and n that follow, indicate the possibilities as to the number of solutions one could have for the linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$. Explain your answers.

(a) $n = 7, r = 5$ (b) $n = 7, r = 6$

(c) $n = 5, r = 5$ (d) $n = 5, r = 4$

8. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix with $m > n$. Let $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and suppose that $N(A) = \{\mathbf{0}\}$.

- (a) What can you conclude about the column vectors of A ? Are they linearly independent? Do they span \mathbb{R}^m ? Explain.

- (b) How many solutions will the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ have if \mathbf{b} is not in the column space of A ? How many solutions will there be if \mathbf{b} is in the column space of A ? Explain.

9. Let A and B be 6×5 matrices. If $\dim N(A) = 2$, what is the rank of A ? If the rank of B is 4, what is the dimension of $N(B)$?

10. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix whose rank is equal to n . If $A\mathbf{c} = A\mathbf{d}$, does this imply that \mathbf{c} must be equal to \mathbf{d} ? What if the rank of A is less than n ? Explain your answers.

11. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Prove that

$$\text{rank}(A) \leq \min(m, n)$$

12. Let A and B be row-equivalent matrices.

- (a) Show that the dimension of the column space of A equals the dimension of the column space of B .

- (b) Are the column spaces of the two matrices necessarily the same? Justify your answer.

13. Let A be a 4×3 matrix and suppose that the vectors

$$\mathbf{z}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{z}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- form a basis for $N(A)$. If $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a}_1 + 2\mathbf{a}_2 + \mathbf{a}_3$, find all solutions of the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.

14. Let A be a 4×4 matrix with reduced row echelon form given by

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 7 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

find \mathbf{a}_3 and \mathbf{a}_4 .

15. Let A be a 4×5 matrix and let U be the reduced row echelon form of A . If

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) find a basis for $N(A)$.

- (b) given that \mathbf{x}_0 is a solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$, where

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (i) find all solutions to the system.

- (ii) determine the remaining column vectors of A .

16. Let A be a 5×8 matrix with rank equal to 5 and let \mathbf{b} be any vector in \mathbb{R}^5 . Explain why the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ must have infinitely many solutions.