UNIT-I

ELEMENTARY LINEAR ALGEBRA

Topic Learning Objectives:
Upon Completion of this unit, students will be able to:

- Understand the fundamentals of the rank of a matrix, echelon form of the matrix.
- Check the consistency of system of linear equations.
- Apply elementary operations to solve homogeneous and non-homogeneous linear equations.
- Solve system of linear equations by using Gauss elimination, Gauss Jordan and Gauss Seidel methods.
- Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a given square matrix.
- Apply power method to obtain largest eigenvalue.

Basic concepts and definitions:

Definition: A matrix is a rectangular arrangement of numbers in rows and columns represented by

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & . & . & . & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & . & . & . & a_{2n} \\ . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & . & . & . & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}.$$

If a matrix has m rows and n columns, then it is said to be of order $m \times n$ (read as "m by n" matrix). The elements a_{ij} of a matrix are identified by double subscript notation ij, where i denotes the row and j denotes the column.

Elementary row transformations:

These are operations that are carried out on the rows of a given matrix. The following operations constitute the three row transformations.

1. Interchange of ith and j^{th} rows: R_{ij} or $R_i \leftrightarrow R_j$

2. Multiplying each element of the ith row by a non-zero constant k: $R_i' \rightarrow kR_i$.

3. Adding a constant k multiple of jth row to i^{th} row:

   $R_i' \rightarrow R_i + kR_j$.

Example:

Let A $= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 & 6 & 7 \\ 1 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Performing row operation R_{13} (i.e. $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3$) of A, results

A $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 8 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

Next, by performing row operation on R_2 of A by multiplying $\dfrac{1}{3}$ to it

(i.e. $R_2' \to \dfrac{1}{3}R_2$), we get.

$$A \square \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 4 & 2 \\ \dfrac{1}{3} & \dfrac{5}{3} & 2 & \dfrac{7}{3} \\ 2 & 8 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

The row operation $R_2' \to R_2 + (-2)\,R_3$ on A gives the matrix

$$A \square \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 4 & 2 \\ -3 & -16 & -12 & -14 \\ 2 & 8 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Equivalent matrices:

Two matrices are said to be equivalent if one of these can be obtained by applying a finite number of successive elementary row/column transformations to the other.

Rank of a matrix:

A matrix is said to be of rank r if

1. It has at least one non-zero minor of order r and
2. Every minor of order higher than r vanishes.

The rank of a matrix A is denoted by $\rho(A)$.

Echelon form or Row Echelon Form:

A non-zero matrix A is an echelon matrix, if the number of zeros preceding the first non zero entry of a row increases row by row until zero rows remain.

Example:

$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is in row-echelon form.

Note: The rank of an echelon matrix is the number of non-zero rows in it. i.e. $\rho(B) = 3$

Problems:

1. Determine the rank of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution: Since the given matrix A is of order 3×4, $\rho(A) \leq 3$.

Consider all the minors of order 3.

They are

$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 0, \quad \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0, \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0, \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

Therefore, the rank is less than 3.

Now consider all minors of order 2.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = -6 \neq 0$$

(we considered only one minor of order 2 since its non-zero).

Therefore, $\rho(A) = 2$.

Note: The method of finding the rank of a matrix by using the definition of the rank of a matrix is very tedious. However it would be better to apply the definition to find the rank, after bringing the given matrix to echelon form.

2. Determine the rank of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 6 & 3 & 0 & -7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution: The rank of the matrix can be obtained by reducing it to row echelon form.

Given matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 6 & 3 & 0 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Perform R_{12} i.e., interchanging row 1 and row 2 we get

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 & -4 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 6 & 3 & 0 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2^{'} \to R_2 - 2R_1, \ R_3^{'} \to R_3 - 3R_1, \ R_4^{'} \to R_4 - 6R_1$

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 & -4 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 4 & 9 & 10 \\ 0 & 9 & 12 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3^{'} \to 5R_3 - 4R_2, \ R_4^{'} \to 5R_4 - 9R_2$

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 & -4 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 33 & 22 \\ 0 & 0 & 33 & 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_4^{'} \to R_4 - R_3$

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 & -4 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 33 & 22 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

As there are no elements below the fourth diagonal element the process is complete.

$\rho(A) = $ Rank of $A = $ number of non-zero rows $= 3$.

3. Reduce the following matrix to echelon form and hence find the rank of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: Given matrix is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Perform R_{12} i.e., interchanging row 1 and row 2 we get

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Perform $R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1, R_4' \rightarrow R_4 - 3R_1$

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Perform $R_3' \rightarrow R_3 + R_2, R_4' \rightarrow R_4 + R_2$

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Perform $R_4' \rightarrow R_4 - R_3$

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Above matrix is in the echelon from, therefore rank of matrix $A = 3$ (no. of non-zero rows).

4. Using the elementary transformations find the rank of the matrix

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -5 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -8 & 5 & 2 \\ 5 & -12 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: Given matrix is

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -5 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -8 & 5 & 2 \\ 5 & -12 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2^{'} \to R_2 + 2R_1, R_3^{'} \to R_3 + 3R_1, R_4^{'} \to R_4 + 5R_1$

$$B \square \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 14 & -4 \\ 0 & -2 & 14 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3^{'} \to R_3 - 2R_2, R_4^{'} \to R_4 - 2R_2$, we get

$$B \square \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rank of matrix $B = 2$.

Exercise:

Objective type of questions:

1. If A is a 3×4 matrix then rank of A cannot exceed _____.

2. Rank of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is _____.

3. Rank of identity matrix of order 5 is _____.

4. The rank of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 \\ 3 & 6 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$ is_____.

5. If every minor of order r of a matrix A is zero, then rank of A is_____.

6. If the rank of the transpose matrix A is 3 then the rank of matrix A is _____.

7. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ then $\rho(A) = $ _____.

8. Rank of singular matrix of order 5 is_____.

9. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\rho(A) = $ _____.

10. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{ij} \end{bmatrix}$ be the matrix; $a_{ij} = k \neq 0$, for every i, j then rank of A is_____.

Descriptive type of questions:

1. Reduce the following matrix into echelon form $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

2. Find the rank of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \\ 5 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

3. Find the rank of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \\ -4 & 3 & 1 \\ -6 & -4 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$.

4. Find the rank of the following matrices by reducing to echelon form.

   (i) $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2 \\ -6 & 2 & 4 \\ -3 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ (ii) $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 5 & 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ (iii) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & -4 & 7 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & -5 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$

   (iv) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & -4 \\ -2 & 3 & 7 & -1 \\ 1 & 9 & 16 & -13 \end{bmatrix}$

5. Find the value of b in the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \\ b & 13 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$ given that its rank is 2.

6. Find the values of k in the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & k \\ 1 & 4 & 10 & k^2 \end{bmatrix}$ such that the rank of the matrix is equal to (a) 3 (b) 2.

Answers:

Objective type of questions:

1) 3	4) 2	7) 2	10) 1
2) 3	5) <r	8) ≤ 4	
3) 5	6) 3	9) 2	

Descriptive type of questions**:**

1) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

2) 2

3) 3

4) (i) 2   (ii) 3   (iii) 3   (iv) 2

5) b=2

6) Rank=3 if $k \neq 1, k \neq = 2$, Rank=2 if $k = 1$ or $k = 2$

Applications:

1. One useful application of calculating the rank of a matrix is in the computation of solutions of a system of linear equations.
2. In the area of source enumeration.
3. In the classification of an image.
4. If we view a square matrix as specifying a transformation, the rank tells you about the dimension of the image.

Solution of simultaneous linear equations:

A linear system of simultaneous equations of m equations in n unknowns can be expressed as

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$
$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2$$
$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$
$$a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{mn}x_n = b_n$$

The above system in the matrix equivalent form can be expressed as $AX = B$, where

$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & . & . & . & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & . & . & . & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & . & . & . & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$ is called the coefficient matrix,

$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}_{n \times 1}$ is called the matrix of unknowns and $B = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}_{m \times 1}$ is column matrix of constants.

If all b_i's for $i = 1 \cdots m$ are zero i.e., $b_1 = b_2 = \cdots = b_m = 0$, then the system is said to be homogenous and is said to be non-homogeneous if at least one b_i is non-zero.

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Augmented matrix:

Suppose we form a matrix of the form $[A:B]$ by appending to A an extra column whose elements are columns of B i.e.

$$[A:B] = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & . & . & . & a_{1n}:b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & . & . & . & a_{2n}:b_2 \\ . & . & . & . & . & . \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & . & . & . & a_{mn}:b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

is called the augmented matrix associated with the system and is denoted by $[A|B]$ or $[A:B]$.

Solution of simultaneous linear equations:

A system of linear equations such as (1) may or may not have a solution. However, existence of solution is guaranteed only if the system is homogeneous.
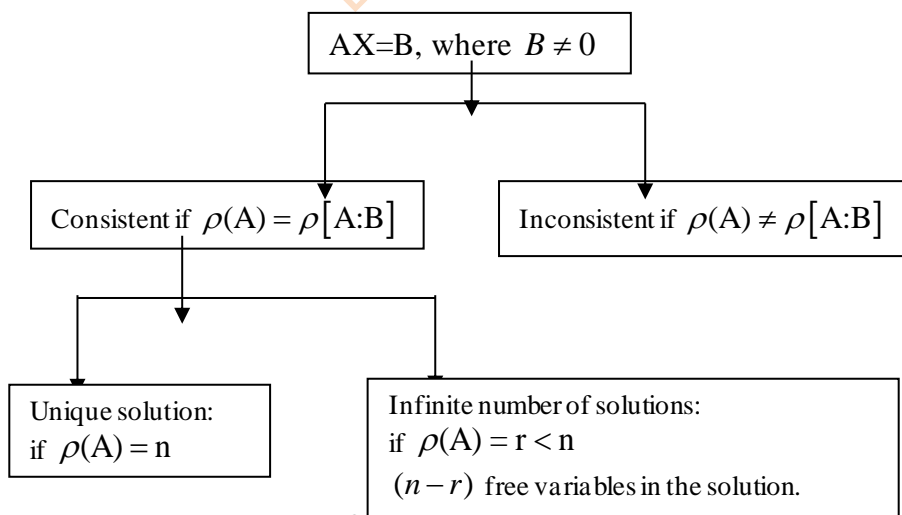
Solution of non-homogeneous system of linear equations:

A non-homogeneous system of equations **AX = B** is **consistent** if **r**, the rank of coefficient matrix A is equal to **r'**, the rank of the augmented matrix $[A:B]$ and has **unique** solution if **r = r' = n**, the number of unknowns. If **r = r' < n** then the system possess **infinite** number of solutions. The system is **inconsistent** if **r ≠ r'**.

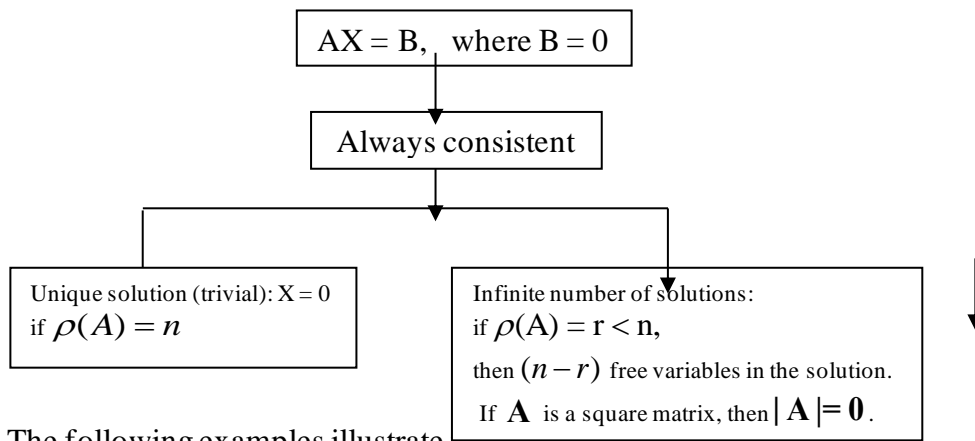**Solution of homogeneous system of linear equations:**

A homogeneous system of linear equations **AX = 0** is always *consistent* as for such a system, A $= [A:0]$ and hence rank of coefficient matrix is equal to the rank of the augmented matrix. If rank of A is equal to the number of unknowns **n**, the system has trivial solution i.e., all unknowns $x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n$ are zero. A non-trivial solution exists to a system if and only if $|A| = 0$ and hence the system has infinite number of solution.

 The following block diagram illustrates connection between rank of a matrix and consistence of that system.

NON-HOMOGENOUS SYSTEM

AX=B, where $B \neq 0$

Consistent if $\rho(A) = \rho[A:B]$

Inconsistent if $\rho(A) \neq \rho[A:B]$

Unique solution:
if $\rho(A) = n$

Infinite number of solutions:
if $\rho(A) = r < n$

$(n - r)$ free variables in the solution.

HOMOGENOUS SYSTEM

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$$AX = B, \quad \text{where } B = 0$$

$$\downarrow$$

Always consistent

Unique solution (trivial): X = 0
if $\rho(A) = n$

Infinite number of solutions:
if $\rho(A) = r < n,$

then $(n - r)$ free variables in the solution.

If **A** is a square matrix, then $|\mathbf{A}| = \mathbf{0}$.

The following examples illustrate the above concepts.

1. Test the consistency of the following system and solve

$$2x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 1$$
$$-3x_1 + 4x_2 - 5x_3 = 0$$
$$x_1 + 3x_2 - 6x_3 = 0$$

Solution: Consider the augmented matrix

$$[A{:}B] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 & :1 \\ -3 & 4 & -5 & :0 \\ 1 & 3 & -6 & :0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2' \to R_2 + (3/2)R_1, \ R_3' \to R_3 - (1/2)R_1$$

$$[A{:}B] \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 & :1 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 & :3 \\ 0 & 7 & -15 & :-1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3' \to R_3 - (7/5)R_2$$

$$[A{:}B] \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 & :1 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 & :3 \\ 0 & 0 & -68 & :-26 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\rho(A) = \rho([A{:}B]) = 3 =$ number of unknowns.

Thus the system of linear equations is consistent and possesses a unique solution.

To find the unknowns, consider the rows of $[A{:}B]$ in the last step in terms of its equivalent equations,

$$2x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 1$$
$$5x_2 - x_3 = 3$$
$$-68x_3 = -26$$

Here we make use of **back substitution** in order to find the unknowns by considering, last equation to find x_3, next second to find x_2 and finally first equation to find x_1.

Therefore, from last equation we obtain x_3

i.e., $-68x_3 = -26 \Rightarrow x_3 = \dfrac{13}{34}.$

Next, from second equation we find x_2,

i.e., $5x_2 - x_3 = 3 \Rightarrow x_2 = \dfrac{3 + x_3}{5} \Rightarrow x_2 = \dfrac{23}{34}.$

Finally, to find the x_1 we make use first equation

$$2x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 1 \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{1}{2}\left(1 + x_2 - 3x_3\right) = \frac{1}{2}\left(1 + \frac{23}{34} - 3\frac{13}{34}\right) \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{9}{34}.$$

There the solution is given by

$$x_1 = \frac{9}{34}, x_2 = \frac{23}{34}, x_3 = \frac{13}{34}.$$

2. Check the following system of equations for consistency and solve, if consistent.

$$x + 2y + 2z = 1, \quad 2x + y + z = 2, \quad 3x + 2y + 2z = 3, \quad y + z = 0$$

Solution : The augmented matrix is given by

$$[A{:}B] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & :1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & :2 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 & :3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & :0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2' \to R_2 - 2R_1, R_3' \to R_3 - 3R_1$

$$[A{:}B] \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & :1 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 & :0 \\ 0 & -4 & -4 & :0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & :0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2' \to (-1/3)\,R_2, R_3' \to (-1/4)\,R_3$

$$[A{:}B] \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & :1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & :0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & :0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & :0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3' \to R_3 - R_2, R_4' \to R_4 - R_2$

$$[A{:}B] \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & :1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & :0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & :0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & :0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\rho(A) = \rho\left([A{:}B]\right) = 2 < 3$, number of unknowns.

Thus the given system is consistent and possesses infinite number of solutions by assigning arbitrary values to $(n - r) = 3 - 2 = 1$ free variable.

$\Rightarrow \quad x + 2y + 2z = 0$

$\qquad y + z = 0.$

Three unknowns are here, we should take z as the free variable and let $z = k$ (arbitrarily value).

From second equation, $y + z = 0 \Rightarrow y = -z = -k$.

Finally from first equation,

$x + 2y + 2z = 1 \Rightarrow x = 1 - 2y - 2z = 1 - 2(-k) - 2k$

$\Rightarrow x = 1.$

Therefore the solution are given by

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -k \\ k \end{bmatrix}.$$

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3. Show that the following system of equations is not consistent.

$x + 2y + 3z = 6, \ 3x - y + z = 4, \ 2x + 2y - z = -3, \ -x + y + 2z = 5$

Solution: Consider the augmented matrix

$$[A:B] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & : 6 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & : 4 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & :-3 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & : 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2' \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_1, \ R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1, \ R_4' \rightarrow R_4 + R_1$

$$[A:B] \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & : 6 \\ 0 & -7 & -8 & :-14 \\ 0 & -2 & -7 & :-15 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 & : 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - (2/7)R_2, \ R_4' \rightarrow R_4 + (3/7)R_2$

$$[A:B] \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & : 6 \\ 0 & -7 & -8 & :-14 \\ 0 & 0 & -33 & :-77 \\ 0 & 0 & 11 & : 35 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_4' \rightarrow R_4 + R_3$

$$[A:B] \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & : 6 \\ 0 & -7 & -8 & :-14 \\ 0 & 0 & -33 & :-77 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & : 28 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\rho(A) = 3$ and $\rho([A:B]) = 4$

$\rho(A) \neq \rho([A:B])$.

Therefore, the given system is inconsistent and it has no solution.

4. Check the following system of equations for consistency and solve, if consistent.

$\qquad x + y - 2z = 3, \ 2x - 3y + z = -4, \ 3x - 2y - z = -1, \ y - z = 2.$

Solution: Consider the augmented matrix,

$$[A:B] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 & : 3 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 & :-4 \\ 3 & -2 & -1 & :-1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & : 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2' \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1, \ R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 & : 3 \\ 0 & -5 & 5 & :-10 \\ 0 & -5 & 5 & :-10 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & : 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - R_2, \quad R_4' \rightarrow R_4 + (1/5)R_2$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 & : 3 \\ 0 & -5 & 5 & :-10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & : 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & : 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We see that $\rho(A) = \rho([A:B]) = 2 < 3$ number of unknowns.

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Thus the equations are consistent and posses infinite number of solutions with $(n - r) = 3 - 2 = 1$ free variable.

The corresponding equations are

$$x + y - 2z = 3$$
$$-5y + 5z = -10.$$

Let us choose $z = k$ (arbitrary constant).

Then from second equation

i.e., $-5y + 5z = -10 \Rightarrow y = -\dfrac{1}{5}(-10 - 5z) = -\dfrac{1}{5}(-10 - 5k) = 2 + k$.

From first equation $x + y - 2z = 3 \Rightarrow x = 3 - y + 2z = 3 - (2 + k) + 2k \Rightarrow x = 1 + k$.

Therefore the solution is given by

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + k \\ 2 + k \\ k \end{bmatrix}.$$

5. Determine whether the following system of equations possesses a non-trivial solution

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 0$$
$$4x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0$$
$$5x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 = 0.$$

Solution:

Since the given system of linear equations is homogeneous for which the rank of the coefficient matrix is same as rank of the augmented matrix, therefore we consider only the coefficient matrix and reduce it to row echelon form and solve the system as we did in the case of non-homogeneous system.

Method 1: Consider the coefficient matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 4 & -1 & 1 \\ 5 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2' \rightarrow R_2 - 4R_1$, $R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - 5R_1$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -9 & 5 \\ 0 & -9 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -9 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus the given system is equivalent to

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 0,$$
$$-9x_2 + 5x_3 = 0,$$
$$-2x_3 = 0.$$

From last equation,

$\Rightarrow x_3 = 0.$

From second equation, we have $x_2 = x_3 = 0$.

Finally from first equation $x_1 = -2x_2 + x_3 = 0$.

i.e., $X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, which is a trivial solution.

Hence the system does not possess a non-trivial solution.

Method 2: We have

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 4 & -1 & 1 \\ 5 & 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 1(2\text{-}1)\text{-}2(8\text{-}5)\text{-}1(4\text{+}5) = 14 \neq 0 \cdot$$

Hence the system does not possess non-trivial solutions.

6. Find the values of λ for which the system has a solution and solve it in each case

$$x + y + z = 1, \ x + 2y + 4z = \lambda, \ x + 4y + 10z = \lambda^2$$

Solution: The augmented matrix is given by

$$[A:B] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & : 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & : \lambda \\ 1 & 4 & 10 & :\lambda^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2' \to R_2 - R_1, \ R_3' \to R_3 - R_1$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & : & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & : \lambda - 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & :\lambda^2 - 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3' \to R_3 - 3R_2$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & : & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & : & \lambda - 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & :\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

We observe that $\rho(A) = 2$ and $\rho([A:B])$ will be equal to 2 if and only if $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 = 0$,

i.e., for $\lambda = 1$ or $\lambda = 2$.

$\Rightarrow$ System will possess a solution if $\lambda = 1$ or 2 and in both the cases the system will have infinite number of solution as

$\rho(A) = \rho([A:B]) = 2 < 3$ number of unknowns and hence 1 free variable.

Let us consider these cases one by one.

Case (i): When $\lambda = 1$, the reduced system gives

$x + y + z = 1$

$y + 3z = 1 - 1 = 0.$

Let $z = k$ be arbitrary and from second equation we have

$y = -3z = -3k.$

From first equation, we have

$x = 1 - y - z = 1 - (-3k) - k = 1 + 2k$.

Case (ii): When $\lambda = 2$, the reduced system gives,

$x + y + z = 1$

$y + 3z = 2 - 1 = 1$

Let $z = k$, then y = 1-3k and x = 1-y-z = 1-1+3k-k = 2k

where k is an arbitrary constant.

7. Find the values of λ and μ for which the system $x + y + z = 6, \ x + 2y + 3z = 10, \ x + 2y + z = \mu$ has

(i) a unique solution (ii) infinitely many solutions (iii) no solution.

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Solution: Consider the augmented matrix

$$[A:B] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & : 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & :10 \\ 1 & 2 & \lambda & :\mu \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2' \to R_2 - R_1, \; R_3' \to R_3 - R_1$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & : & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & : & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & \lambda - 1 & :\mu - 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3' \to R_3 - R_2$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & : & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & : & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda - 3 & :\mu - 10 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Here we observe that

a) If $\lambda - 3 = 0$ and $\mu - 10 \neq 0$ i.e., $\lambda = 3$ and $\mu \neq 10$, then the system will be inconsistent and possesses no solution.

b) If $\lambda - 3 = 0$ and $\mu - 10 = 0$ i.e., $\lambda = 3$ and $\mu = 10$ the system will reduce to

$$\begin{aligned} x + y + z &= 6 \\ y + 2z &= 4 \end{aligned}.$$

Hence in this case the system possesses infinite solutions.

c) If $\lambda - 3 \neq 0$ i.e., $\lambda \neq 3$, the system will possess a unique solution, irrespective of the value of μ.

8. Show that the equations

$$-2x + y + z = a, \; x - 2y + z = b, \; x + y - 2z = c$$

have a solution only if $a + b + c = 0$. Find all possible solutions when $a = 1, \; b = 1, \; c = -2$.

Solution: Consider the augmented matrix

$$[A:B] = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 & :a \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & :b \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & :c \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2' \to 2R_2 + R_1, \; R_3' \to 2R_3 + R_1$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 & : & a \\ 0 & -3 & 3 & :2b + a \\ 0 & 3 & -3 & :2c + a \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3' \to R_3 + R_2$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 & : & a \\ 0 & -3 & 3 & : & 2b + a \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & :2a + 2b + 2c \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e., $-2x + y + z = a; \; -3y + 3z = 2b + a; \; 0 = 2a + 2b + 2c$ \hspace{1cm} (1)

The above system of equations will be consistent if $0 = 2a + 2b + 2c$ i.e., if $a + b + c = 0$.

To find the solution when $a = 1, \; b = 1, \; c = -2$.

The reduced equations in (1) give,

$-2x + y + z = 1$ and $-3y + 3z = 3$.

Let $z = k$ then $y = k - 1$ and $x = k - 1$.

Exercise:

1. Solve the system of equations
   $x + 2y + 3z = 0; \; 3x + 4y + 4z = 0; \; 7x + 10y + 12z = 0$

2. Show that the system of equations
   $x + y + z = 4; \; 2x + y - z = 1; \; x - y + 2z = 2$ is consistent and hence find the solution.

3. Test for consistency and hence solve $x + y + z = 9; \; 2x - 3y + 4z = 13; \; 3x + 4y + 5z = 40$.

4. Find the value of λ for which the system $x + y + z = 1; \; x + 2y + 4z = \lambda; \; x + 4y + 10z = \lambda^2$
   has a solution. Solve it in each case.

5. Find the values of μ and λ for which the systems $2x + 3y + 5z = 9; \; 7x + 3y - 2z = 8; \; 2x + 3y + \mu z = \lambda$
   has

   (i) no solution   (ii) unique solution (iii) Infinitely many solutions.

6. If the following system,
   $ax + by + cz = 0; \; bx + cy + az = 0; \; cx + ay + bz = 0$ has non-trivial solution then prove that prove that
   $a + b + c = 0 \;\; or \;\; a = b = c$:

Answers:

1) Trivial solution

2) $x = \dfrac{3}{7}, y = \dfrac{13}{7}, z = \dfrac{12}{7}$

3) $x = 1, y = 3, z = 5$

4) $(i) \; \lambda = 1, x = 2k + 1, y = -3k, z = k$

4) $(ii) \; \lambda = 2, x = 2k, y = 1 - 3k, z = k$

5) $(i) \; \lambda = 5, \; (ii) \; \lambda \neq 5 \; (iii) \; \lambda = 5, \mu = 9$

Gauss elimination method:

In this method the unknowns are eliminated successively and the system is reduced to upper triangular system from which the unknowns are found by back substitution.

For the linear system $AX = B$ with n unknown and m equations:

1. Solve the following system by Gauss elimination method
$$x + y - z = 0; \; 2x - 3y + z = -1; \; x + y + 3z = 12; \; y + z = 5.$$

Solution : The augmented matrix is given by

$$[A : B] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & : 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 & : -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & : 12 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & : 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2' \to R_2 - 2R_1, \; R_3' \to R_3 - R_1$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & : 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 3 & : -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & : 12 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & : 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_4' \to R_4 + (1/5)R_2$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & : 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 3 & : -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & : 12 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 & : 24 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_4' \to R_4 - 2R_3$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & : 0 \\ 0 & -5 & 3 & :-1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & :12 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & : 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

By back substitution

$4z = 12 \Rightarrow z = 3,$

$5y + 3z = -1 \Rightarrow y = 2,$

$x + y - z = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2.$

2. Solve the following system by Gauss elimination method

$$2x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 1$$
$$-3x_1 + 4x_2 - 5x_3 = 0$$
$$x_1 + 3x_2 - 6x_3 = 0.$$

Solution: Consider the augmented matrix

$$[A:B] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 & :1 \\ -3 & 4 & -5 & :0 \\ 1 & 3 & -6 & :0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2' \rightarrow R_2 + (3/2)R_1,\ R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - (1/2)R_1$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 & : 1 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 & : 3 \\ 0 & 7 & -15 & :-1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - (7/5)R_2$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 & : 1 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 & : 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -68 & :-26 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 1$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad 5x_2 - x_3 = 3$$
$$-68x_3 = -26.$$

By back substitution the solution is given by

$$x_3 = \frac{13}{34}, x_2 = \frac{23}{34}, x_1 = \frac{9}{34}.$$

Gauss-Jordon elimination method:

The procedure for Gauss-Jordan elimination is as follows:

1. Find the left most column that is not all zeros.
2. Interchange the top row (if necessary) with another row to bring a non-zero entry to the top of the column.
3. If the top entry is a, then multiply the top row by $\dfrac{1}{a}$ to form a leading 1 in that row.
4. Add multiples of this row to the other rows so that all other rows have a zero in this column.
5. Cover up the top row and go back to step 1, considering only the rows below this one (until step 4). Continue until the matrix is in row-echelon form.

1. Solve for x, y and z in: $2y - 3z = 2$, $x + z = 3$, $x - y + 3z = 1$

Solution: Let the augmented matrix of the given system is

$$[A:B] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & -3: & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1: & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 3: & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Interchange first and second row (to make top left entry non-zero)

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1: & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -3: & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 3: & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1: & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -3: & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 2: & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3' \rightarrow R_3 + (1/2)R_2$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1: & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -3: & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2: & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3' \rightarrow 2R_3$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1: & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -3: & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1: & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_1' \rightarrow R_1 - R_3$, $R_2' \rightarrow R_2 + 3R_3$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0: & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & 0: & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1: & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2' \rightarrow (1/2)R_2$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0: & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0: & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1: & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is now in reduced row-echelon form, so we get $x = 5$, $y = -2$, and $z = -2$.

2: Use Gauss-Jordon method to find the inverse of the following matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & -3 \\ -2 & -4 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: Consider the matrix $[A | I]$ and apply elementary row operations on both A and I until A gets transformed to I.

Consider

$$[A \mid I] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & -3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -4 & -4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2^1 \to R_2 - R_1 \ and \ R_3^1 \to R_3 + 2R_1$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -6 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3^1 \to R_3 + R_2$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -6 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2^1 \to \frac{1}{2} R_2 \ and \ R_3^1 \to \frac{-1}{4} R_3$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & \frac{-1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{-1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_1^1 \to R_1 - 3R_3 \ and \ R_2^1 \to R_2 + 3R_3$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & \frac{7}{4} & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{3}{4} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-5}{4} & \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{-3}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{-1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_1^1 \to R_1 - R_2$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-5}{4} & \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{-3}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{-1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{-5}{4} & \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{-3}{4} \\ \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{-1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise:

1. Gauss-Jordon method aims in reducing the coefficient matrix of a system of equations to _____ matrix.
2. Gauss elimination method aims in reducing the coefficient matrix of a system of equations to_____ matrix.

Solve using Gauss-elimination and Gauss-Jordan method:

1. $2x + y - z = 8$; $-3x - y + 2z = -11$; $-2x + y + 2z = -3$
2. $x + y + z = 3$; $x + 2y + 2z = 5$; $3x + 4y + 5z = 12$
3. $-5x + 9y - z = 3$; $-2x - 5y + 2z = -1$; $-2x + 6y + 4z = -8$
4. Using the loop current method on a circuit, the following equations are obtained $7i_1 - 4i_2 = 12$; $-4i_1 + 12i_2 - 6i_3 = 0$; $-6i_2 + 14i_3 = 0$.

   Solve for i_1, i_2, i_3 using Gauss elimination method.

5. Find the inverse of the given matrix A by Gauss-Jordon method.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Answer:

1) x=2, y=3, z =-1
2) x=1, y=1, z =1
3) x=-0.7247, y=-0.2844, z =-1.9357
4) $i_1 = 2.2628, i_2 = 0.96, i_3 = 0.4114$
5)

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonally dominant form:

A system of n linear equations in n unknowns given by

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \qquad (1)$$
$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \qquad (2)$$
$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$
$$a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n$$

is said to be in diagonally dominant form if in equation (1), $|a_{11}|$ is greater the sum of the absolute values of the remaining coefficients; in (2), $|a_{22}|$ is greater than the sum of the absolute of the remaining coefficients and so on.

$$|a_{11}| > |a_{12}| + |a_{13}| + \ldots \ldots |a_{1n}|$$

$$|a_{22}| > |a_{21}| + |a_{23}| + \ldots \ldots |a_{2n}|$$

$$\text{--}$$

$$|a_{nn}| > |a_{n1}| + |a_{n2}| + \ldots \ldots |a_{n(n-1)}|.$$

Gauss-Seidel Method:

The Gauss-Seidel method is an iterative method that can be used to solve a system of n linear equations in n unknowns. A starting or an initial solution is first assumed, which is then improved through successive iteration. A convergence to the actual solution is ensured if the given system of equations is arranged in the diagonally dominant form. The following example illustrates the working procedure of this method.

1. Solve the following system of equations using Gauss-Seidel method.

$6x + 15y + 2z = 72$, $x + y + 54z = 110$, $27x + 6y - z = 85$.

Solution: In the above equations, we have $|15| > |6| + |2|, |54| > |1| + |1| \ \& \ |27| > |6| + |-1|$.

Hence the equations are arranged in the diagonally dominant form as:

$27x + 6y - z = 85, \ 6x + 15y + 2z = 72, \ x + y + 54z = 110$.

The first equation is used to determine x and is therefore rewritten as

$$x = \frac{85 - 6y + z}{27}. \qquad (1)$$

The second equation is used to determine y and is rewritten as $\quad y = \frac{72 - 6x - 2z}{15}. \qquad (2)$

The third equation used to determine z is rearranged as

$$z = \frac{110 - x - y}{54}. \qquad (3)$$

Equations (1), (2), (3) are used to find sequentially x, y and z in each of the iterations.

Starting solution: Let us choose $[x, y, z] = [0, 0, 0]$ as the starting solution.

First iteration:

$$x^{(1)} = \frac{1}{27}[85 - 0 + 0] = 3.148$$

$$y^{(1)} = \frac{1}{15}[72 - 6(3.1481) - 0] = 3.5407$$

$$z^{(1)} = \frac{1}{54}[110 - 3.1481 - 3.5407] = 1.9132.$$

Note that in finding $y^{(1)}$ the latest value $x^{(1)} = 3.1481$ is used and not x=0. Similarly in finding $z^{(1)}$, the latest values $y^{(1)} = 3.5407$.

Second iteration:

$$x^{(2)} = \frac{1}{27}[85 - 6(3.5407) + 1.9132] = 2.4322$$

$$y^{(2)} = \frac{1}{15}[72 - 6(2.4322) - 2(1.9132)] = 3.5720$$

$$z^{(2)} = \frac{1}{54}[110 - 2.4322 - 3.5720] = 1.9258.$$

Third iteration:

$$x^{(3)} = \frac{1}{27}[85 - 6(3.5720) + 1.9258] = 2.4257$$

$$y^{(3)} = \frac{1}{15}[72 - 6(2.4257) - 2(1.9258)] = 3.5729$$

$$z^{(3)} = \frac{1}{54}[110 - 2.4257 - 3.5729] = 1.9259.$$

Therefore $[x, y, z] = [2.4257, 3.5729, 1.9259]$.

Fourth iteration:

$$x^{(4)} = \frac{1}{27}[85 - 6(3.5729) + 1.9259] = 2.4255$$

$$y^{(4)} = \frac{1}{15}[72 - 6(2.4255) - 2(1.9259)] = 3.5730$$

$$z^{(4)} = \frac{1}{54}[110 - 2.4255 - 3.5730] = 1.9259.$$

Since the solutions in 3rd and 4th iterations agree upto 3 places of decimals, the solution can be taken as $[x, y, z] = [2.4255, 3.5730, 1.9259]$.

Exercise:

1. Use Gauss -Seidel method to solve the system
   $10x + y + z = 12; 2x + 10y + z = 13; 2x + 2y + 10z = 14$

2. Solve the following system of equations using Gauss -Seidel method starting with (2, 2, -1) as initial approximation:
   $5x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 10; x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 = -1; 2x_1 + 4x_2 = 12.$

3. Solve the following system of equations by Gauss -Seidel method
   $10x - 2y - z - w = 3$
   $-2x + 10y - z - u = 15$
   $-x - y + 10z - 2u = 27$
   $-x - y - 2z + 10u = -9$

Answers:

1) $x = 0.9995, y = 1.0001, z = 1.0000$
2) $x_1 = 2.5555, x_2 = 1.7222, z = -1.0555$
3)) $x = 0.9971, y = 1.9985, z = 2.9988, u = -0.0006$

EIGENVALUE and EIGENVECTOR:

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. A number λ is said to be an eigenvalue of A if there exists a non-zero solution vector X of the system of equations.

$AX = \lambda X$ or $AX - \lambda IX = 0$, I being an identity matrix of order n.

The non-zero solution vector X is said to be an eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue λ. The word "eigenvalue" is a combination of German and English terms Eigenwert (Proper value). Eigenvalues and eigenvectors are also called characteristic values and characteristic vectors, respectively.

The characteristic equation of the matrix A is defined to be $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$.

Properties of Eigen values and Eigen vectors:

The following are a few important properties of eigenvalues.

(1) Square matrix of order n will always possess n eigenvalues which may be distinct or not.
(2) If all the n eigenvalues of A are distinct, then there exists exactly one eigenvector corresponding to each one of them.
(3) For eigenvalues that are repeated, there may be exactly one or more than one eigenvector.
(4) A^{-1} exists if and only if 0 is not an eigenvalue of A.
(5) If λ is the eigenvalue of A, then $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ is the eigenvalue of A^{-1}.
(6) The same characteristic vector cannot correspond to two distinct eigenvalues.

Example:

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Consider the product

$$AX = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5+4 \\ 2-4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = -1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)X$$

The above is of the form $AX = \lambda X$, where $\lambda = -1$ and $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Hence $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ is the eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue -1.

Determination of eigenvalue and eigenvector:

The eigenvalues and eigenvectors can be determined by

    (a) Solving the characteristic equation $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ (direct method) to find λ and using $AX = \lambda X$ to find X.

    (b) Power method (an iterative technique). The following examples illustrates each of the above two techniques.

1. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: The characteristic equation of A is $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$,

i.e., $\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 \\ 3 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(2-\lambda) - 6 = 0$

$\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 4 = 0$

$(\lambda - 4)(\lambda + 1) = 0$.

Thus the eigenvalues are $\lambda = 4, -1$.

Let $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ denote the characteristic vector. Then

    (i)   Characteristic vector corresponding to $\lambda = 4$ is the solution of the system

$(1-4)x + 2y = 0$

$3 + (2-4)y = 0$

i.e., $-3x + 2y = 0$

$\qquad 3x - 2y = 0$.

Note that the above two equations are identical. Let $x = k \, (k \neq 0)$, then $y = \dfrac{3k}{2}$.

Thus $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k \\ \dfrac{3k}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ is the characteristic vector corresponding to eigenvalue 4.

    (ii) Characteristic vector corresponding to $\lambda = -1$ is the solution of the system

        $(1+1)x + 2y = 0, \ 3 + (2+1)y = 0$

        i.e., $2x + 2y = 0, \ 3x + 3y = 0$.

Note that the above two equations are identical as in earlier case.

Set $x = k$ (a non-zero parameter), then $y = -k$.

Thus $\begin{bmatrix} k \\ -k \end{bmatrix}$ is the eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue -1.

2. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The characteristic equation is $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$,

i.e., $\begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2-\lambda & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$,

$(2-\lambda)[(2-\lambda)^2 - 0] - 0 + 1[0 - (2-\lambda)] = 0$,

i.e., $(2-\lambda)[\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4] - 2 + \lambda = 0$,

$2\lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 8 - \lambda^3 + 4\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + \lambda - 2 = 0$,

$\lambda^3 - 6\lambda^2 + 11\lambda - 6 = 0$.

$\lambda = 1$ is a root of the above equation (by inspection).

Let us use synthetic division to find the other two roots.

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} \lambda = 1 & 1 & -6 & 11 & -6 \\ & 0 & 1 & -5 & 6 \\ \hline & 1 & -5 & 6 & 0 \end{array}$$

Therefore the other two are determined by the equation $1.\lambda^2 - 5.\lambda + 6 = 0$.

$\Rightarrow 2, 3$. Thus the Eigen values are $\lambda = 1, 2, 3$.

(i) Characteristic vector corresponding to $\lambda = 1$ is the solution of the system of equations;

$x_1 + 0.x_2 + x_3 = 0$

$0.x_1 + x_2 + 0.x_3 = 0$

$x_1 + 0.x_2 + x_3 = 0$.

Selecting two equations that are linearly independent,(for example the last two equations, the non zero solution is

$\dfrac{x_1}{1} = \dfrac{x_2}{0} = \dfrac{x_3}{-1} = k_1$ (non-zero parameter).

Therefore $[x_1 x_2 x_3]^T = [k_1\, 0\, -k_1]^T$ is the characteristic vector

(ii) Characteristic vector corresponding to $\lambda = 2$ is the solution of the system of equations

$0x_1 + 0x_2 + 1x_3 = 0$

$0 = 0$

$x_1 + 0x_2 + 0x_3 = 0$.

$\dfrac{x_1}{0} = \dfrac{x_2}{1} = \dfrac{x_3}{0} = k_2$ (non-zero parameter)

Therefore $[x_1 x_2 x_3]^T = [0, k_2, 0]^T$ is the characteristic vector

(iii) Characteristic vector corresponding to $\lambda = 3$ is the solution of the system of equations

$$-x_1 + 0x_2 + 1x_3 = 0$$
$$0x_1 - x_2 + 0x_3 = 0$$
$$x_1 + 0x_2 - x_3 = 0.$$
$$\frac{x_1}{1} = \frac{x_2}{0} = \frac{x_3}{1} = k_3 \text{ (non-zero parameter)}$$

Therefore $\left[x_1 x_2 x_3\right]^T = \left[k_3, 0, k_3\right]^T$ is the characteristic vector

Rayleigh's Power Method:

In many problems we need to calculate only the largest eigenvalue, this method is very useful to find the largest eigenvalue and its corresponding eigenvectors. Note inverse power method is used to find the smallest eigenvalue and its corresponding eigenvector.

The following steps are followed while finding the largest eigenvalue:

1. Let X_1 be an arbitrary vector which is normalized by choosing its first or last coefficient as 1. We form the product AX_1 and express it in the form $AX_1 = \lambda_1 X_2$ where X_2 is also normalized in the same manner.

   Here λ_1 is the numerically largest value in the X_1.

2. Form the product AX_2 and express it as $AX_2 = \lambda_2 X_3$, where X_3 is normalized in the same manner.

3. Continuing the iterations till two successive iterations having the same values up to the desired degree of accuracy.

Examples:

1. Using power method find an approximate value of eigenvalue and the corresponding eigenvector of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

   Solution:

   Let $X_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$ be the initial approximation.

$$AX_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = 7 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3/7 \\ 4/7 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_1 X_1$$

$$AX_1 = 5.28571 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.24324 \\ 0.48649 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AX_2 = 4.72972 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.15428 \\ 0.46857 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AX_3 = 4.46284 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.10371 \\ 0.46863 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\,X_4 = 4.31113 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.07217 \\ 0.47342 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\,X_5 = 4.02433 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.00605 \\ 0.4970 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\,X_6 = 4.01815 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.0045 \\ 0.49775 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore the largest eigenvalue is 4.02.

The corresponding eigenvector is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0.0045 \\ 0.49775 \end{bmatrix}$.

Applications:

1. It allows people to find important subsystems or patterns inside noisy data sets.
2. Eigenvalues and eigenvectors have widespread practical application in multivariate statistics.
3. Powers of a Diagonal Matrix, Matrix Factorization.
4. Eigenvalue analysis is also used in the design of the car stereo systems, where it helps to reproduce the vibration of the car due to the music.
5. Electrical Engineering: The application of eigenvalues and eigenvectors is useful for decoupling three-phase systems through symmetrical component transformation.
6. Model population growth using an age transition matrix and an age distribution vector, and find a stable age distribution vector.

Exercise:

Objective Type Questions:

1. The sum of the eigenvalues of a matrix is the _____ of the matrix.
2. If λ is an eigenvalue of a matrix A, then _____ is the eigenvalue of A^{-1} matrix.
3. If $3, 4$ are the eigenvalues of a matrix A, then the eigenvalues of A^4 has _____.
4. An iterative method to find the largest eigenvalue and its corresponding eigenvector is_____.
5. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$, then the eigenvalues of A^2 are _____.
6. The Largest Eigen value of the Matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ is _____ .
7. If λ is an eigenvalue of a square matrix A with X as a corresponding eigenvector, then the eigenvalue of A^n is equal to _____.
8. Given that two of the eigenvalues of 3 by 3 matrix are equal to 1 & determinant of the matrix is equal to 5 then the eigenvalues of its inverse are _____.

Descriptive type Questions:

1. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -4 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.
2. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.
3. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.
4. Obtain the dominant eigenvalue and corresponding eigenvector after two iterations for the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$ with initial eigenvector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{T}$.
5. Find the numerically largest eigenvalue and the corresponding eigen vector of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ Starting with $\begin{bmatrix} 1, 0, 0 \end{bmatrix}^{T}$ as the initial approximation to the corresponding eigenvector carry out 7 iterations.
6. Use the power method to find the dominant eigenvalue and eigenvector for the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 11 & -5 \\ -2 & 17 & -7 \\ -4 & 26 & -10 \end{bmatrix}$

Answers:

<u>Objective Type Questions:</u>

1) Trace   4) Power method   7) λ^n

2) $\dfrac{1}{\lambda}$ 5) $1, 9, 4$ 8) $1, 1, \dfrac{1}{5}$

3) $81, 256$ 6) 7

Descriptive type Questions:

1) $\lambda = 4, 6, \quad X_1 = [k_1, k_1]^T, X_2 = [k_2, 2k_2]^T$

2) $\lambda = 1, 6, \quad X_1 = [k_1, -k_1]^T, X_2 = [4k_2, k_2]^T$

3) $\lambda = -2, 3, 6,$

$$X_1 = [-k_1, 0, k_1]^T, X_2 = [k_2, -k_2, k_2]^T, X_2 = [k_3, 2k_3, k_3]^T$$

4) $\lambda = 3, X = [0.4166, -1]^T$

5) $\lambda = 3, X = [1, 0, 1]^T$

6) $\lambda = 4$ and $X = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 \\ 0.6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Video links:

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