

Practice Problems

Type – 1 Rank of Matrix

1. Find the ranks of the following matrices

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

$$(ii) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 10 & 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 \\ 15 & 16 & 17 & 18 & 19 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(iii) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 5 \\ 4 & -6 & 10 \\ -8 & 12 & -20 \\ 6 & -9 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(iv) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 6 & 8 & 7 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(v) \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -5 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -8 & 5 & 2 \\ -5 & -12 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(vi) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 9 & 8 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(vii) \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 31 & 17 & 43 \\ 75 & 94 & 53 & 132 \\ 75 & 94 & 54 & 134 \\ 25 & 32 & 20 & 48 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Reduce the following matrices to their normal form and hence obtain their ranks.

$$(i) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(ii) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & 0 & -1 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & -5 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(iii) \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 & 2 \\ -8 & 1 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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

$$(vi) \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & 3 & 8 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & -1 \\ 10 & 3 & 9 & 7 \\ 16 & 4 & 12 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(vii) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & -4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ 4 & -7 & 4 & -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(viii) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 5 & 7 & 12 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 3 & 6 & 9 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(ix) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 & 6 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(x) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 4 & 6 & 8 & 10 \\ 15 & 27 & 39 & 51 \\ 6 & 12 & 18 & 24 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(xi) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(xii) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -3 & -6 \\ 3 & -3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(xiii) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 15 & 14 & 15 \\ 6 & 24 & 18 & 30 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

3. Find the rank of A by reducing it to the normal form, where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 9 & 1 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

Hence find the rank of A^2

4. Reduce the following matrices to Echelon Forms and hence find the ranks.

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

(ii) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

5. Find the values of P for which the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} P & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & P & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & P \end{bmatrix}$ will have (i) rank 1, (ii) rank 2, (iii) rank 3,

6. The rank of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$ is 2. Find the value of λ , where λ is real.

7. Find the rank of $A = \begin{bmatrix} x-1 & x+1 & x \\ -1 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ where x is real.

8. If x is a rational number, find the rank of $A - xI$ where I is the identity matrix of order 3 and $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Type – 2 (Non-homogeneous)

1. Test for consistency the following set of equations and obtain the solution if consistent.

(i) $\begin{aligned} 3x + 3y + 2z &= 1 \\ x + 2y &= 4 \\ 10y + 3z &= -2 \\ 2x - 3y - z &= 5 \end{aligned}$

(ii) $\begin{aligned} 2x - y - z &= 2 \\ x + 2y + z &= 2 \\ 4x - 7y - 5z &= 2. \end{aligned}$

(iii) $\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + 2x_2 &= -11 \\ 6x_1 + 20x_2 - 6x_3 &= -3 \\ 6x_2 - 18x_3 &= -1 \end{aligned}$

(iv) $\begin{aligned} x - 2y + 3t &= 0 \\ 2x + y + z + t &= -4 \\ 4x - 3y + z + 7t &= 8 \end{aligned}$

(v) $\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 &= 4 \\ 2x_1 + 5x_2 - 2x_3 &= 3 \\ x_1 + 7x_2 - 7x_3 &= 5. \end{aligned}$

(vi) $\begin{aligned} 5x_1 - 3x_2 - 7x_3 + x_4 &= 10 \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 + 6x_3 - 3x_4 &= -3 \\ x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 - 5x_4 &= 0. \end{aligned}$

(vii) $\begin{aligned} 2x_1 - x_2 + x_3 &= 4 \\ 3x_1 - x_2 + x_3 &= 6 \\ 4x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 &= 7 \\ -x_1 + x_2 - x_3 &= 9 \end{aligned}$

(viii) $\begin{aligned} x + 2y &= 1 \\ -3x + 2y &= -2 \\ -x + 6y &= 0 \end{aligned}$

(ix) $\begin{aligned} 2x - y + 3z &= 9 \\ x + y + z &= 6 \\ x - y + z &= 2 \end{aligned}$

(x) $\begin{aligned} x + y + 4z &= 6 \\ 3x + 2y - 2z &= 9 \\ 5x + y + 2z &= 13 \end{aligned}$

2. Show that the system $\begin{aligned} 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 7x_3 &= 5 \\ 3x_1 + x_2 - 3x_3 &= 13 \\ 2x_1 + 19x_2 - 47x_3 &= 32 \end{aligned}$ is inconsistent.

3. Investigate for what values of a and b the simultaneous equations
- $$\begin{aligned} 2x - y + 3z &= 2 \\ x + y + 2z &= 2 \\ 5x - y + az &= b \end{aligned}$$
- will have (i) no solution: (ii) a unique solution: (iii) an infinite number of solutions.
4. Investigate for what values of λ and μ the simultaneous equations
- $$\begin{aligned} x + y + z &= 6 \\ x + 2y + 3z &= 10 \\ x + 2y + \lambda z &= \mu \end{aligned}$$
- will have (i) no solution: (ii) a unique solution: (iii) an infinite number of solutions.
5. Find the values of λ for which the system of equations
- $$\begin{aligned} x + y + 4z &= 1 \\ x + 2y - 2z &= 1 \\ \lambda x + y + z &= 1 \end{aligned}$$
- will have (i) a unique solutions (ii) no solution
6. Find values of λ for which the set of equations
- $$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 &= 3 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 &= \lambda \\ 3x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 &= \lambda^2 \end{aligned}$$
- are consistent and solve equations for those values.
7. For what value of λ the equations $x + y + z = 1, x + 2y + 4z = \lambda, x + 4y + 10z = \lambda^2$ have a solution and solve them completely in each case.
8. Show that the system of equation
- $$\begin{aligned} -2x + y + z &= a \\ x - 2y + z &= b \\ x + y - 2z &= c \end{aligned}$$
- have no solution unless $a + b + c = 0$, in which case they have infinitely many solutions. Find these solutions when $a = 1, b = 1, c = -2$.

Type – 3 (homogeneous, linear dependence)

9. Find (trivial or non-trivial) solutions of the following linear equations.
- (i) $\begin{aligned} x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 &= 0 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 &= 0 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$
- (ii) $\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + x_4 &= 0 \\ x_1 + x_2 - x_3 - x_4 &= 0 \\ 3x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + 3x_4 &= 0 \end{aligned}$
- (iii) $\begin{aligned} x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 &= 0 \\ x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3 &= 0 \\ 2x_1 - 4x_2 - 5x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$
- (iv) $\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 + x_4 &= 0 \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 + 2x_4 &= 0 \\ 5x_1 - 4x_3 + 4x_4 &= 0 \end{aligned}$
10. Find the solution of the system given by
- $$\begin{aligned} x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 &= 0 \\ x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3 &= 0 \\ 2x_1 - 4x_2 - 5x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$
- Also find the relation between column vectors of coefficient matrix.
11. Solve the following system of linear equation
- $$\begin{aligned} x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3 &= 0 \\ -2x_1 + 4x_2 + 2x_3 &= 0 \\ -3x_1 - x_2 + 7x_3 &= 0 \\ 4x_1 + 3x_2 + 6x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$
12. Find k if the system
- $$\begin{aligned} 2x - 3y + 4z &= 0 \\ 3x + 4y + 6z &= 0 \\ 4x + 5y + kz &= 0 \end{aligned}$$
- has non trivial solution
13. If the following system has non – trivial solutions, prove that $a + b + c = 0$ or $a = b = c$, Where
- $$ax + by + cz = 0, bx + cy + az = 0, cx + ay + bz = 0.$$
- Find the non – trivial solution when the

condition is satisfied.

14. Show that the rows of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 6 & 2 & -4 \\ -6 & 0 & -3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ are linearly dependent and find the

relationship between them.

15. Are the following vectors linearly dependent? If so find the relation between them.

- (i) $X_1 = [1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 3], X_2 = [1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4], X_3 = [2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 9]$
- (ii) $X_1 = [2 \ 3 \ 4 \ -2], X_2 = [-1 \ -2 \ -2 \ 1], X_3 = [1 \ 1 \ 2 \ -1]$
- (iii) $X_1 = [1 \ 2 \ 1], X_2 = [2 \ 1 \ 4], X_3 = [4 \ 5 \ 6], X_4 = [1 \ 8 \ -3]$
- (iv) $X_1 = [1 \ -1 \ 1], X_2 = [2 \ 1 \ 1], X_3 = [3 \ 0 \ 2]$
- (v) $X_1 = [1 \ 2 \ 3], X_2 = [2 \ -2 \ 6]$
- (vi) $X_1 = [3 \ 1 \ -4], X_2 = [2 \ 2 \ -3], X_3 = [0 \ -4 \ 1]$
- (vii) $X_1 = [1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 3], X_2 = [1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4], X_3 = [2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 7]$
- (viii) $X_1 = [1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1], X_2 = [1 \ -1 \ 2 \ -1], X_3 = [3 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1]$
- (ix) $X_1 = [1 \ -1 \ 2 \ 0], X_2 = [2 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1], X_3 = [3 \ -1 \ 2 \ -1], X_4 = [3 \ 0 \ 3 \ 1]$