

Math 118C HW3

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Question 1 *Rudin Pg. 241 Problem 19:*

Show that the system of equations

$$3x + y - z + u^2 = 0$$

$$x - y + 2z + u = 0$$

$$2x + 2y - 3z + 2u = 0$$

can be solved for x, y, u in terms of z ; for x, z, u in terms of y ; for y, z, u in terms of x ; but not for x, y, z in terms of u .

Pf:

If we define the function $f : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ by $f = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$, with $f_1, f_2, f_3 : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as:

$$f_1(x, y, z, u) = 3x + y - z + u^2, \quad f_2(x, y, z, u) = x - y + 2z + u, \quad f_3(x, y, z, u) = 2x + 2y - 3z + 2u$$

So, in the order of x, y, z, u from the left to right, the differential of f is given as follow:

$$A = Df(x, y, z, u) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 & 2u \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Notice that there exists an obvious solution to $f(\bar{x}) = \bar{0} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, which is $\bar{x} = (0, 0, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^4$, so there exists $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^4$, with $f(\bar{x}) = 0$.

Now, since f_1, f_2, f_3 are all multivariable polynomials of variables x, y, z, u , then the partial derivatives all exist and are all continuous, hence f is in fact continuously differentiable. To apply Implicit Function Theorem, we just need to verify when isolating one variable, the singularity of f 's differential with respect to the other variables, at all points $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ with $f(\bar{x}) = 0$.

Isolating z :

If isolate z , with respect to x, y, u , A has a corresponding linear operator $A_{xyu} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ given by:

$$A_{xyu} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2u \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which has its determinant given by:

$$\det A_{xyu} = 2u(2 - (-2)) - 1(2 - 2) + 3((-2) - 2) = 8u - 12$$

So, A_{xyu} is not invertible iff $\det A_{xyu} = 0$ iff $u = \frac{3}{2}$.

Isolating y :

If isolate y , with respect to x, z, u , A has a corresponding linear operator $A_{xzu} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ given by:

$$A_{xzu} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2u \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which has its determinant given by:

$$\det A_{xzu} = 2u((-3) - 4) - (-1)(2 - 2) + 3(4 - (-3)) = -14u + 21$$

So, A_{xzu} is not invertible iff $\det A_{xzu} = 0$ iff $u = \frac{3}{2}$.

Isolating x :

If isolate x , with respect to y, z, u , A has a corresponding linear operator $A_{yzu} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ given by:

$$A_{yzu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2u \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which has its determinant given by:

$$\det A_{yzu} = 2u(3 - 4) - (-1)((-2) - 2) + 1(4 - (-3)) = -2u - 4 + 7 = -2u + 3$$

So, A_{yzu} is not invertible iff $\det A_{yzu} = 0$ iff $u = \frac{3}{2}$.

Isolating u :

If isolate u , with respect to x, y, z , A has a corresponding linear operator $A_{xyz} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ given by:

$$A_{xyz} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which has its determinant given by:

$$\det A_{xyz} = 3(3 - 4) - 1((-3) - 4) - 1(2 - (-2)) = -3 + 7 - 4 = 0$$

So regardless of the point, when isolating u , the differential with respect to x, y, z is always noninvertible.

Notice that in the first three cases, the only possibility for the linear operators to be noninvertible, is when $u = \frac{3}{2}$. Which, to see if there are solutions corresponding to $u = \frac{3}{2}$, plug into the original equation, it's equivalent to the following systems of linear equation:

$$\begin{cases} 3x + y - z = -u^2 = -9/4 \\ x - y + 2z = -u = -3/2 \\ 2x + 2y - 3z = -2u = -3 \end{cases}$$

Which, after row reduction, we get:

$$\begin{cases} 2x + 2y - 3z = -3/4 \\ x - y + 2z = -3/2 \\ 2x + 2y - 3z = -3 \end{cases} \implies \begin{cases} 2x + 2y - 3z = -3/4 \\ x - y + 2z = -3/2 \\ 0x + 0y + 0z = -9/4 \end{cases}$$

Since there is an inconsistency in the system, there is no solution to $f(x, y, z, \frac{3}{2}) = 0$. Hence, for all $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ satisfying $f(\bar{x}) = 0$ (which implies $u \neq \frac{3}{2}$), the first three cases (when isolating z, y , or x) has the linear operator of the remaining variables (corresponding to the differential $Df(\bar{x})$) being invertible, hence Implicit Function Theorem applies.

So, when solving x, y, u in terms of z , by Implicit Function Theorem, if given $(x, y, z, u) \in \mathbb{R}^4$ satisfies $f(x, y, z, u)$, there exists open neighborhood $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4$ of (x, y, z, u) and open neighborhood $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ of u , such that all $u' \in V$ corresponds to a unique $(x', y', z') \in \mathbb{R}^3$, such that $(x', y', z', u') \in U$, and $f(x', y', z', u') = 0$.

Hence, for each $z \in \mathbb{R}$ that corresponds to some $(x, y, u) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ satisfying $f(x, y, z, u) = 0$, such correspondence is unique based on Implicit Function Theorem (since within an open neighborhood V of u , each u' corresponds to a unique $(x', y', z') \in \mathbb{R}^3$ such that $f(x', y', z', u') = 0$), therefore it's possible to solve x, y, u in terms of z . And, same logic applies when solving x, z, u in terms of y , and solving y, z, u in terms of x (since in all three cases, Implicit Function Theorem applies).

Finally, the reason why it's not possible to solve x, y, z in terms of u , is because for some $u \in \mathbb{R}$, there exists more than one solution to the corresponding $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$: Fix $u = 0$, then the original system of equations become:

$$\begin{cases} 3x + y - z = -u^2 = 0 \\ x - y + 2z = -u = 0 \\ 2x + 2y - 3z = -2u = 0 \end{cases}$$

Written in matrix equation, we get:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Notice that this matrix is exactly A_{xyz} calculated in one of the previous parts, with $\det A_{xyz} = 0$, hence, this matrix is not invertible, which also implies that it is not injective, therefore its null space is nontrivial, there exists nonzero $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$, such that the above equation holds.

But, this implies $f(x, y, z, 0) = f(0, 0, 0, 0) = \bar{0} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, showing that there are multiple $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ corresponding to $u = 0$, such that the system of equations hold, therefore it's not possible to solve for x, y, z in terms of u , due to the existence of multiple solutions.

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Question 2 Rudin Pg. 242 Problem 23:

Define f in \mathbb{R}^3 by

$$f(x, y_1, y_2) = x^2 y_1 + e^x + y_2$$

Show that $f(0, 1, -1) = 0$, $(D_1 f)(0, 1, -1) \neq 0$, and that there exists therefore a differentiable function g in some neighborhood of $(1, -1)$ in \mathbb{R}^2 , such that $g(1, -1) = 0$ and

$$f(g(y_1, y_2), y_1, y_2) = 0$$

Find $(D_1 g)(1, -1)$ and $(D_2 g)(1, -1)$.

Pf:

f and $D_1 f$ at $(0, 1, -1)$:

Evaluate at $(0, 1, -1)$, we get $f(0, 1, -1) = 0^2 \cdot 1 + e^0 + (-1) = 0 + 1 - 1 = 0$.

On the other hand, $D_1 f(x, y_1, y_2)$ is given as follow:

$$D_1 f(x, y_1, y_2) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^2 y_1 + e^x + y_2) = 2x y_1 + e^x$$

Hence, $D_1 f(0, 1, -1) = 2 \cdot 0 \cdot 1 + e^0 = 1 \neq 0$.

Validity of Implicit Function Theorem:

If we consider the partial derivatives with respect to all variables, we get:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x y_1 + e^x, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y_1} = x^2, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y_2} = 1$$

Hence, since the partial derivative of f with respect to any variable is continuous, then f is continuously differentiable, with $Df(x, y_1, y_2) = (2x y_1 + e^x, x^2, 1) \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R})$.

Then, since in the previous part, we get that $D_1 f(0, 1, -1) \neq 0$, which if view $\mathbb{R}^3 = \mathbb{R}^{1+2}$, with $(0, 1, -1) = (0, \bar{0}) + (0, (1, -1))$, then $A = D_1 f(0, 1, -1) \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R})$, can be broken down as follow:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \bar{y} \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad A(x, \bar{y}) = A_x(x) + A_y(\bar{y}), \quad A_x = D_1 f(0, 1, -1) \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}), \quad A_y = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y_1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y_2} \right) \Big|_{(0, 1, -1)} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R})$$

Then, since f is continuously differentiable, while $A_x = D_1 f(0, 1, -1)$ for $A = Df(0, 1, -1)$ is invertible (since $D_1 f(0, 1, -1) \neq 0$), then by Implicit Function Theorem, there exists open neighborhood $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ of $(0, 1, -1)$, open neighborhood $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ of $(1, -1)$, such that for all $\bar{y} \in V$, there exists a unique $x \in \mathbb{R}$, such that $f(x, \bar{y}) = 0$.

Which, define $g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $g(\bar{y}) = x$ got from the previous part, then g is continuously differentiable, with $g(1, -1) = 0$ (since $g(0, 1, -1) = 0$, $(1, -1)$ corresponds to $x = 0$).

And, by the equation of $Dg(0, 1, -1)$, given $A = Df(0, 1, -1)$ and A_x and A_y provided above, it is given by the following:

$$Dg(1, -1) = -A_x^{-1} A_y = -(D_1 f(0, 1, -1))^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y_1} \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y_2} \right) \Big|_{(0, 1, -1)} = \left(-\frac{\partial f}{\partial y_1} \quad -\frac{\partial f}{\partial y_2} \right) \Big|_{(0, 1, -1)}$$

Also, by the uniqueness of the differential, we know the following:

$$Dg(y_1, y_2) = \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial y_1} \quad \frac{\partial g}{\partial y_2} \right)$$

Then, we get the following relations:

$$D_1g(1, -1) = \frac{\partial g}{\partial y_1} \Big|_{(1, -1)} = -\frac{\partial f}{\partial y_1} \Big|_{(0, 1, -1)} = -0^2 = 0$$

$$D_2g(1, -1) = \frac{\partial g}{\partial y_2} \Big|_{(1, -1)} = -\frac{\partial f}{\partial y_2} \Big|_{(0, 1, -1)} = -1$$

So, $D_1g(1, -1) = 0$, and $D_2g(1, -1) = -1$.

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Question 3 Rudin Pg. 242 Problem 24:

For $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$, define $f = (f_1, f_2)$ by

$$f_1(x, y) = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}, \quad f_2(x, y) = \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$$

Compute the rank of $f'(x, y)$, and find the range of f .

Pf:

Rank of $f'(x, y) = Df(x, y)$:

Given f_1 and f_2 , their partial derivatives are given as follow:

$$\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x} = \frac{2x(x^2 + y^2) - 2x(x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{4xy^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}, \quad \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y} = \frac{-2y(x^2 + y^2) - 2y(x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{-4x^2y}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x} = \frac{y(x^2 + y^2) - 2x(xy)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{y^3 - x^2y}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}, \quad \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y} = \frac{x(x^2 + y^2) - 2y(xy)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{x^3 - xy^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

Hence, the differential Df is given as:

$$Df(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \begin{pmatrix} 4xy^2 & -4x^2y \\ y^3 - x^2y & x^3 - xy^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- If $x = 0$, the matrix is given by:

$$Df(0, y) = \frac{1}{y^4} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ y^3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which, with $y \neq 0$ (due to the condition $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$), the above matrix has rank 1.

- If $y = 0$, the matrix is given by:

$$Df(x, 0) = \frac{1}{x^4} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which again, with $x \neq 0$, the above matrix has rank 1.

- If both $x, y \neq 0$, then consider any vector $r(x, y)$ for $r \in \mathbb{R}$, we get::

$$Df(x, y)r \begin{pmatrix} x \\ -y \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \begin{pmatrix} xy^2 & -x^2y \\ y^3 - x^2y & x^3 - xy^2 \end{pmatrix} r \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{r}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \begin{pmatrix} x^2 y^2 - x^2 y^2 \\ (xy^3 - x^3 y) + (x^3 y - xy^3) \end{pmatrix} = \bar{0}$$

So the $\text{span}\{(x, y)\}$ is within the null space of $Df(x, y)$, so the dimension of null space is at least 1. On the other hand, consider $(1, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ (which is linearly independent with (x, y) , since (x, y) has both entries being nonzero), it has the following:

$$Df(x, y) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \begin{pmatrix} xy^2 & -x^2 y \\ (y^3 - x^2 y) & (x^3 - xy^2) \end{pmatrix} r \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \begin{pmatrix} xy^2 \\ (y^3 - x^2 y) \end{pmatrix} \neq \bar{0}$$

Which, it shows that the range of $Df(x, y)$ is nontrivial, hence it has dimension at least 1 also.

Because both the null space and the range have dimension ≥ 1 , while \mathbb{R}^2 has dimension 2, by Rank Nullity Theorem, it enforces both the null space and the range must have dimension precisely 1 (since the sum of the dimension of the null space and the range must be 2). So, the rank of $Df(x, y)$ is again 1.

So, regardless of the case, $Df(x, y)$ has rank 1.

Range of f :

When fixing $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$ in \mathbb{R}^2 , there exists $r > 0$, and $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$, such that $x = r \cos(\theta)$ and $y = r \sin(\theta)$ (under polar coordinates). Then, we get the output of f_1, f_2 as:

$$f_1(x, y) = \frac{(r \cos(\theta))^2 - (r \sin(\theta))^2}{(r \cos(\theta))^2 + (r \sin(\theta))^2} = \frac{r^2(\cos^2(\theta) - \sin^2(\theta))}{r^2} = \cos^2(\theta) - \sin^2(\theta) = \cos(2\theta)$$

$$f_2(x, y) = \frac{(r \cos(\theta))(r \sin(\theta))}{(r \cos(\theta))^2 + (r \sin(\theta))^2} = \frac{r^2 \cos(\theta) \sin(\theta)}{r^2} = \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \sin(2\theta)$$

Hence, for all $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$, $f = (f_1, f_2)$ satisfies the following equation:

$$f_1^2 + 4f_2^2 = \cos^2(2\theta) + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{4} \sin^2(2\theta) = \cos^2(2\theta) + \sin^2(2\theta) = 1$$

Hence, $(u, v) = f(x, y)$ is a solution to $u^2 + 4v^2 = 1$, so the range of f is contained in the ellipse characterized by $u^2 + 4v^2 = 1$.

On the other hand, for all point (u, v) satisfying $u^2 + 4v^2 = 1$, there exists $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$, such that $u = \cos(\theta)$ and $v = \frac{1}{2} \sin(\theta)$. Then, consider the point $(\cos(\frac{\theta}{2}), \sin(\frac{\theta}{2})) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} f(\cos(\frac{\theta}{2}), \sin(\frac{\theta}{2})) &= (f_1(\cos(\frac{\theta}{2}), \sin(\frac{\theta}{2})), f_2(\cos(\frac{\theta}{2}), \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}))) = \left(\cos\left(2 \cdot \frac{\theta}{2}\right), \frac{1}{2} \sin\left(2 \cdot \frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right) \\ &= \left(\cos(\theta), \frac{1}{2} \sin(\theta) \right) = (u, v) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, (u, v) is also in the range of f . This proves that f has the range precisely described by the ellipse $u^2 + 4v^2 = 1$.

Question 4 Rudin Pg. 242 Problem 25:

Suppose $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$, let r be the rank of A .

(a) Define S as in the proof of Theorem 9.32. Show that SA is a projection in \mathbb{R}^n whose null space is $\text{null}(A)$ and whose range is $\text{range}(S)$.

(b) Use (a) to show that

$$\dim(\text{null}(A)) + \dim(\text{range}(A)) = n$$

Pf:

- (a) Given that A has rank r , then its range $\text{range}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ is an r -dimensional linear subspace, hence there exists $y_1, \dots, y_r \in \text{range}(A)$ that forms a basis of it.

Then, by the text in Rudin, choose $z_1, \dots, z_r \in \mathbb{R}^n$, so for each index $i \in \{1, \dots, r\}$, $Az_i = y_i$. Which, the collection $z_1, \dots, z_r \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is linearly independent, since if $a_1, \dots, a_r \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfies $\sum_{i=1}^r a_i z_i = \bar{0}$, then the following is true:

$$0 = A\bar{0} = A\left(\sum_{i=1}^r a_i z_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^r a_i (Az_i) = \sum_{i=1}^r a_i y_i$$

By the linear independence of $y_1, \dots, y_r \in \text{range}(A)$, each $a_i = 0$, which proves the linear independence of $z_1, \dots, z_r \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Now, define $S \in \mathcal{L}(\text{range}(A), \mathbb{R}^n)$ the same as in the text, which has the following formula:

$$\forall c_1, \dots, c_r \in \mathbb{R}, \quad S\left(\sum_{i=1}^r c_i y_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^r c_i z_i$$

Then, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, since $Ax \in \text{range}(A)$, it is spanned by y_1, \dots, y_r , hence there exists unique $a_1, \dots, a_r \in \mathbb{R}$, such that the following is true:

$$Ax = \sum_{i=1}^r a_i y_i$$

Hence, with $SA \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, we get the following:

$$SAx = S\left(\sum_{i=1}^r a_i y_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^r a_i z_i$$

Hence, applying SA twice, we get:

$$SA(SAx) = SA\left(\sum_{i=1}^r a_i z_i\right) = S\left(\sum_{i=1}^r a_i y_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^r a_i z_i$$

This shows that $SA(SAx) = SAx$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, hence SA is a projection on \mathbb{R}^n .

Now, to find the null space and range, consider the following:

- For all $x \in \text{null}(A)$, since $Ax = 0$, then $SAx = S(0) = 0$, so $x \in \text{null}(SA)$, or $\text{null}(A) \subseteq \text{null}(SA)$.

On the other hand, for all $x \in \text{null}(SA)$, since $S(Ax) = 0$, $Ax \in \text{null}(S)$. But, since $Ax \in \text{range}(A)$, there exists unique $a_1, \dots, a_r \in \mathbb{R}$, with $Ax = \sum_{i=1}^r a_i y_i$. Hence, we have the following:

$$0 = S(Ax) = S\left(\sum_{i=1}^r a_i y_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^r a_i z_i$$

Hence, by linear independence of $z_1, \dots, z_r \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we must have $a_i = 0$ for all index $i \in \{1, \dots, r\}$. This proves that $Ax = \sum_{i=1}^r a_i y_i = 0$, so $x \in \text{null}(A)$. Hence, $\text{null}(SA) \subseteq \text{null}(A)$, showing that $\text{null}(SA) = \text{null}(A)$.

- For all $z \in \text{range}(SA)$, there exists $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $SAx = z$. Since $z = S(Ax) \in \text{range}(S)$, then $\text{range}(SA) \subseteq \text{range}(S)$.

Similarly, for all $z \in \text{range}(S)$, there exists $y \in \text{range}(A)$ (the domain of S), with $Sy = z$; then because there exists $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, with $Ax = y$ by the definition of range, we have $SAx = S(Ax) = Sy = z$, hence $z \in \text{range}(SA)$, proving that $\text{range}(S) \subseteq \text{range}(SA)$, or $\text{range}(S) = \text{range}(SA)$.

Hence, the above two cases proves that $\text{null}(SA) = \text{null}(A)$, while $\text{range}(S) = \text{range}(SA)$. So, SA is a projection in \mathbb{R}^n with null space being $\text{null}(A)$, and range being $\text{range}(S)$.

- (b) With the linearly independent set $z_1, \dots, z_r \in \mathbb{R}^n$ given in **part (a)**, we'll consider an extra list $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \text{null}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ that forms a basis of $\text{null}(A)$. Our goal is to prove that $x_1, \dots, x_k, z_1, \dots, z_r$ forms a basis of \mathbb{R}^n .

First, consider $a_1, \dots, a_k, b_1, \dots, b_r \in \mathbb{R}$, such that the vector $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i x_i + \sum_{j=1}^r b_j z_j = \bar{0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then we have the following:

$$0 = A(\bar{0}) = A\left(\sum_{i=1}^k a_i x_i + \sum_{j=1}^r b_j z_j\right) = A\left(\sum_{i=1}^k a_i x_i\right) + A\left(\sum_{j=1}^r b_j z_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^r b_j (Az_j) = \sum_{j=1}^r b_j y_j$$

(Note: since $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \text{null}(A)$, then $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i x_i \in \text{null}(A)$).

Which, by the linear independence of $y_1, \dots, y_r \in \text{range}(A)$ assumed in **part (a)**, we must have $b_j = 0$ for all $j \in \{1, \dots, r\}$. So, $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i x_i + \sum_{j=1}^r b_j z_j = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i x_i = \bar{0}$. But again, based on the linear independence of x_1, \dots, x_k by assumption, we get $a_i = 0$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$. This proves that all $a_i, b_j = 0$, which the collection $x_1, \dots, x_k, z_1, \dots, z_r$ is linearly independent.

Then, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, since $Ax \in \text{range}(A)$, then there exists unique $b_1, \dots, b_r \in \mathbb{R}$, with $Ax = \sum_{j=1}^r b_j y_j$. Hence, we get the following:

$$Ax = \sum_{j=1}^r b_j y_j = \sum_{j=1}^r b_j (Az_j) = A\left(\sum_{j=1}^r b_j z_j\right)$$

So, we can reduce to the following:

$$Ax - A\left(\sum_{j=1}^r b_j z_j\right) = A\left(x - \sum_{j=1}^r b_j z_j\right) = 0, \quad x - \sum_{j=1}^r b_j z_j \in \text{null}(A)$$

Then, since x_1, \dots, x_k forms a basis of $\text{null}(A)$, then there exists unique $a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{R}$, with:

$$x - \sum_{j=1}^r b_j z_j = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i x_i, \quad x = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i x_i + \sum_{j=1}^r b_j z_j$$

So, $x \in \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_k, z_1, \dots, z_r\}$, proving that $\mathbb{R}^n = \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_k, z_1, \dots, z_r\}$.

Hence, since $x_1, \dots, x_k, z_1, \dots, z_r$ spans \mathbb{R}^n while being linearly independent, it is a basis of \mathbb{R}^n . Hence, the length of the basis, $k + r = \dim(\mathbb{R}^n) = n$.

Which, since x_1, \dots, x_k is a basis of $\text{null}(A)$, then $\dim(\text{null}(A)) = k$.

On the other hand, since $S \in \mathcal{L}(\text{range}(A), \mathbb{R}^n)$ is injective (since it maps y_1, \dots, y_r a basis of $\text{range}(A)$, to $z_1, \dots, z_r \in \mathbb{R}^n$ a linearly independent set), then the domain of S , $\text{range}(A)$ and range of S are in fact isomorphic as vector spaces, while the range of S is precisely $\text{span}\{z_1, \dots, z_r\}$ (since the definition of S is maps y_i to z_i for each $i \in \{1, \dots, r\}$, showing that the output value must be a linear combination of all z_i). Hence, $\dim(\text{range}(A)) = \dim(\text{span}\{z_1, \dots, z_r\}) = r$ (since z_1, \dots, z_r is linearly independent, it forms a basis of the span).

So, compile the information from above, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} k + r &= n, \quad k = \dim(\text{null}(A)), \quad r = \dim(\text{range}(A)) \\ \implies \dim(\text{null}(A)) + \dim(\text{range}(A)) &= n \end{aligned}$$

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Question 5 Rudin Pg. 242 Problem 26:

Show that the existence (and even the continuity) of $D_{12}f$ does not imply the existence of D_1f . For example, let $f(x, y) = g(x)$, where g is nowhere differentiable.

Pf:

Consider the Weierstrass Function $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, which is uniformly continuous, while being differentiable nowhere.

Then, given the function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(x, y) = g(x)$, since g is not differentiable with respect to its variable x , then D_1f does not exist; yet, since $D_2f \equiv 0$ (due to the fact that g is a constant when x is fixed), then $D_{12}f = D_1(D_2f) = 0$.

Hence, even though $D_{12}f$ is continuous, D_1f doesn't exist in this case.