

Linear System, Coefficient matrix, Augmented Matrix

A linear system of m equations in n unknowns x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n is a set of equations of the form

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m$$

The system is called linear because each variable x_j appears to the first power only.

$a_{11}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{mn}$ are given numbers, called the coefficients of the system.
 b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m on the right are also given numbers.

If all the b_j are zero, then $\textcircled{1}$ is called a homogeneous system.

If at least one b_j is not zero, then $\textcircled{1}$ is called a non-homogeneous system.

A solution of $\textcircled{1}$ is a set of numbers x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n that satisfies all the m equations.

A solution vector of $\textcircled{1}$ is a vector

① x_1, \dots, x_n (say $m = (m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n)$) whose components form a solution of ①.

If the system ① is homogeneous, it always has at least the trivial solution $m_1 = 0, m_2 = 0, \dots, m_n = 0$.

Matrix form of the Linear System ①

From the definition of matrix multiplication

We see that the m equations of ① may be written as a single vector equation

$$Ax = b \quad \text{②}$$

where the coefficient matrix $A = [a_{ik}]$ is the $m \times n$ matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

are column vectors.

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We assume that the coefficients a_{jk} are not all zero, so that it is not a zero matrix. Note that a has n components, whereas b has m components.

The matrix

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} & b_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} & b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

\tilde{A} is called the augmented matrix of the system ①.

Note:-

The last column of \tilde{A} did not come from the matrix A but came from vector b . Thus we augmented the matrix A .

Note:-

The augmented matrix \tilde{A} determines the system ① completely because it contains all the given numbers appearing in ①.

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Elementary Row operations for Matrices.

Three types of elementary row operations are associated with a matrix. They are

(i) Interchange of two rows

$(R_i \leftrightarrow R_j)$ (Here R_i means i^{th} row of a matrix)

(ii) Multiplication of a row by a nonzero constant c .

$(R_i \rightarrow cR_i)$

(iii) Addition of a constant multiple of one row to another row.

$(R_i \rightarrow R_i + cR_j)$

for Example:

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

$\xrightarrow{\text{R}_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & -4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3$

We say that A is equivalent to the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & -4 & 6 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ by the elementary row operation $R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3$

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -1 & 5 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 & -4 & 3 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ (5)

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -1 & 5 & 2 & 4 \\ 12 & -8 & -16 & 12 & 8 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} R_2 \rightarrow 4R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 12 & -8 & -16 & 12 & 8 & -4 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & -1 & 5 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$$

= C [A is equivalent to C by a sequence of elementary row operations]

Let $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{5}{2} & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + \frac{1}{2}R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & \frac{5}{2} & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 & \frac{9}{2} \end{bmatrix} R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + \frac{5}{2}R_2$$

= D (where $D = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 & \frac{9}{2} \end{bmatrix}$)

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So that B is equivalent to D by a sequence of elementary row operations.

Caution: The operations are for rows only, not for columns!

Row Echelon form of a matrix.

A matrix is in Echelon form

(or row echelon form) if it has the following three properties:

(1) Each leading entry of a row is in a column to the right of the leading entry of the row above it.

(2) All entries in a column below a leading entry are zero.

(3) All non-zero rows are above any rows of all zeros.

Example:

$$(1) A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5f_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(2) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] = A$$

$$(3) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 29 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 16 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(4) A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note:-

~~Property of row about the leading entry~~

① The leading entry of a row means the first non-zero entry in the row.

for Ex: let $A =$

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

leading entry is 1st in 1st row.
leading entry is 2nd in 2nd row.
leading entry is 3rd in 3rd row.

② Property ① says that the leading entry from m_i echelon ("step-like") pattern that moves down and to the right through the matrix.

for Ex:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 8/10 & 2/10 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A(1)$$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A(3)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A(4)$$

Examples:

The following matrices are in echelon form. The leading entries ($\boxed{\square}$) may have any non-zero value; the starred entries may have any values (including zero).

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{cccc|ccc} \boxed{1} & * & * & * & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} & * & * & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & * & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc|cc|cc} 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & * & * & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} \end{array} \right]$$

Note:- Any matrix can be reduced to Echelon form by a sequence of Elementary row operations.

Note:- The Echelon form of a given matrix need not be unique.

Problem :- 1

Reduce the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 6 & -6 & 6 & 12 & 36 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 & -3 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$ into its Echelon form.

Solution:-

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 6 & -6 & 6 & 12 & 36 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 & -3 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & -9 & 0 & 9 & 18 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -5 & -13 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - \left(\frac{6}{2}\right)R_1 \quad (R_2 - 3R_1)$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \left(\frac{4}{2}\right)R_1 \quad (R_3 - 2R_1)$$

$$R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - \left(\frac{2}{2}\right)R_1 \quad (R_4 - R_1)$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & -9 & 0 & 9 & 18 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -4 & -11 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)R_2 \quad (R_3 - \frac{1}{9}R_2)$$

$$R_4 \rightarrow R_4 + \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)R_2 \quad (R_4 - \frac{1}{9}R_2)$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & -9 & 0 & 9 & 18 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -4 & -11 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 13 & 39 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_4 \rightarrow R_4 + 3R_3 \quad (R_4 - \left(-\frac{3}{1}\right)R_3)$$

which is in Echelon form.

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Problem: 2

Reduce the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ -6 & 42 & 24 & 54 \\ 21 & -21 & 0 & -15 \end{bmatrix}$ into the Echelon form.

Solution:-

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ -6 & 42 & 24 & 54 \\ 21 & -21 & 0 & -15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 42 & 28 & 58 \\ 0 & -21 & -14 & -29 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 2R_1 \quad \left(R_2 - \frac{1}{3}R_1 \right) \\ \sim \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 42 & 28 & 58 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 7R_1 \quad \left(R_3 - \left(\frac{21}{3}\right)R_1 \right)$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 42 & 28 & 58 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \cancel{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \frac{1}{2}R_2} \quad \left(R_3 - \left(\frac{21}{42}\right)R_2 \right) \\ \sim \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 42 & 28 & 58 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + \frac{1}{2}R_2$$

which is in Echelon form.

Problem: 3

Reduce the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & 8 \\ -1 & 0 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ into Echelon form.

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Solution:-Given $A =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & 8 \\ -1 & 0 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 5 & 8 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix} R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 5 & 8 \\ 0 & 2 & 9 & 24 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 2R_1 \quad (R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + 2R_1)$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 5 & 8 \\ 0 & 2 & 9 & 24 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{3}{2} & -3 \end{bmatrix} R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \frac{1}{2}R_2$$

Echelon form.

which is in Echelon form.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 & 9 & 24 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{3}{2} & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 & 9 & 24 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{3}{2} & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

now calculate A^{-1} after

Rank of a matrix.

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The rank of a matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is the maximum number of linearly independent rows of A . It is denoted by $\text{rank } A$ or $r(A)$ or $\text{I}(A)$.

for Ex:

Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

Since the 2nd row is a multiple of the 1st row,
we thus have A has only one linearly independent row $\therefore \text{I}(A) = 1$.

Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 6 & 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 & 12 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -7 & 6 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\text{I}(A) = 2$, since it is easy to see that
3rd row of A is 3-times 1st row &
4th row of A is the linear combination
of 1st & 2nd row ($\therefore R_3 = R_1 + 2R_2$).

Thus, no. of linearly independent rows of
 $A = 2$ & hence $\text{I}(A) = 2$.

Determining of. order of. a matrix

Let A be a given matrix. Reduce the matrix A to the Echelon form.

Identify the no. of non-zero rows in the Echelon form. The no. of non-zero rows in the Echelon form of A gives the order of A or $|A|$.

Problems.

Find the order of the following matrices.

$$1) A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 6 & -6 & 6 & 12 & 36 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2) A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ -6 & 42 & 24 & 54 \\ 21 & -21 & 0 & -15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3) A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & 8 \\ 1 & 0 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$4) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & -5 & 5 & 6 \\ 0 & -3 & 15 & 18 \\ 0 & -2 & 10 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$5) A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -5 & 8 & 0 & -17 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 11 & -19 & 7 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & -13 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution:-

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$$D \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 6 & -6 & 6 & 12 & 36 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 & -3 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & -9 & 0 & 9 & 18 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -5 & -13 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1$$

$$R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_1$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & -9 & 0 & 9 & 18 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -4 & -11 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + \frac{1}{9}R_2$$

$$R_4 \rightarrow R_4 + \frac{1}{9}R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & -9 & 0 & 9 & 18 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -4 & -11 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 13 & 39 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - 3R_3$$

which B is Echelon form.

Now $\text{r}(A) = \text{no. of non-zero rows in the Echelon form of } A$

$$= \underline{\underline{4}}$$

2) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ -6 & 42 & 24 & 54 \\ 21 & -21 & 0 & -15 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 42 & 28 & 58 \\ 0 & -21 & -14 & -29 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 2R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 7R_1$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 42 & 28 & 58 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + \frac{1}{2}R_2$$

which B is Echelon form.

$\therefore \text{r}(A) = \text{No. of non-zero rows in the Echelon form}$

of A

= 2

$$3) A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & 8 \\ 1 & 0 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 5 & 8 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix} R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 5 & 8 \\ 0 & 2 & 9 & 24 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 2R_1$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 5 & 8 \\ 0 & 2 & 9 & 24 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & -3 \end{bmatrix} R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \frac{1}{2}R_2$$

which is in Echelon form.

Hence $\text{r}(A) = \text{no. of non-zero rows}$ in the Echelon form of A

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$$4) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & -5 & 5 & 6 \\ 0 & -3 & 15 & 18 \\ 0 & -2 & 10 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 & 10 \\ 0 & -3 & 15 & 18 \\ 0 & -2 & 10 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 2R_1, R_5 \rightarrow R_5 - 3R_1$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -12 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -12 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_2, R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - 2R_2$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -12 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_3$$

which is in Echelon form.

Hence $\text{I}(A) = \text{no. of non-zero rows in the Echelon form of } A$

$$= \underline{\underline{3}}$$

$$\therefore A = \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & -5 & 8 & 0 & -17 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 11 & -19 & 7 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & -13 & 5 & -3 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ -2 & -5 & 8 & 0 & -17 \\ 3 & 11 & -19 & 7 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & -13 & 5 & -3 \end{array} \right] R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 2 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 4 & -14 \\ 0 & 4 & -8 & 4 & -8 \end{array} \right] R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 2R_1, R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1, R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_1$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 2 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 20 \end{array} \right] R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_2, R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - 4R_2$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 2 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 20 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] R_3 \leftrightarrow R_4$$

which is in Echelon form.

$\therefore \text{I}(A) = \text{no. of non-zero rows in the Echelon form of } A = 3$

Homework

Reduce the following matrices into Echelon form.

$$1) A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 9 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = A \text{ (1)}$$

$$2) A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 & 5 \\ 4 & 4 & -3 & 3 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = A \text{ (2)}$$

$$3) A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & -6 & 4 & 9 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 & -1 & 3 \\ -2 & 0 & -3 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 & -9 & -7 \end{bmatrix} = A \text{ (3)}$$

$$4) A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -5 & 8 & 0 & -17 \\ -1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 25 \\ 3 & 11 & -19 & 7 & 21 \\ 1 & 7 & -13 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = A \text{ (4)}$$

$$5) A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -6 & -1 & -1 & -7 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 5 & -8 & -6 \end{bmatrix} = A \text{ (5)}$$

Practice Problems.

Q) Reduce the following matrices into Echelon form.

$$(1) A = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 5 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 8 \end{array} \right] = A(1)$$

$$(2) A = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 10 & 2 & 1 & 9 \\ 2 & 20 & -2 & -44 \\ -2 & 3 & 10 & 22 \end{array} \right] = A(2)$$

$$(3) A = \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 6 & -6 & 6 & 12 & 36 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 & -3 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 10 \end{array} \right] = A(3)$$

$$(4) A = \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 4 & -4 & -9 & -9 & -9 \\ -2 & -8 & -7 & 5 & 5 \\ -5 & -7 & -4 & 9 & 9 \\ -9 & 11 & 16 & 7 & 7 \end{array} \right] = A(4)$$

$$(5) A = \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 2 & 1 & -3 & 10 & -9 \\ 7 & 7 & -5 & 6 & -7 \\ -5 & 4 & -2 & 2 & 2 \\ 8 & -9 & 7 & 15 & 15 \end{array} \right]$$

Practice Problems:-

1) Reduce the following matrix to echelon form and hence find its rank:

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

2) Reduce the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ into echelon form and find the rank.

3) Reduce the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 7 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & -3 & 13 \\ 2 & 19 & -47 & 32 \end{bmatrix}$

into echelon form and find the rank.

4) Find the value of k such that the rank of the matrix $A \geq 3$, where

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

5) Find the rank of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 8 & 7 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$