

• **LINEAR ALGEBRA AND CALCULUS**

• **UNIT-I: MATRICES**

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RANK OF A MATRIX

A matrix 'A' is said to be of **rank r** , if there is

- (i) at least one non zero minor of the order ' r ' and
- (ii) every minor of order $(r + 1)$ is equal to zero.

i.e. The rank of a matrix 'A' is the maximum order of its non-vanishing minor. Rank of a matrix A is denoted by $\rho(A) = r$.

Properties of a rank of matrix:

1. If a matrix A has a non-zero minor of order r , then $\rho(A) \geq r$.
2. If a matrix A has all the minors of order $(r + 1)$ is equal to zero, then $\rho(A) \leq r$.
3. If a matrix A of order $m \times n$, then the $\rho(A) \leq \text{minimum of } m \text{ and } n$.
4. Elementary transformations of a matrix do not alter the rank of a matrix.
5. $\rho(A) = \rho(A') = \rho(A^{-1})$.

Example1: Find the rank of the following matrices:

$$(i) \ A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (ii) \ B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad (iii) \ C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 5 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: (i) We have to find the rank of the matrix A.

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

Rank of the matrix is the order of highest order non-vanishing minor of it.

Here the order of the given matrix is 2×3 . So, the rank of the matrix will not be more than 2. It may be 2 if at least one minor of order 2×2 is not equal to zero.

Now consider all the minor of order 2×2 of A, we have

$$|A_1| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2 - 2 = 0; \quad |A_2| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 3 - 3 = 0$$

$$|A_3| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 6 - 6 = 0$$

Since all the minors of order 2×2 of the matrix A are zero. So the rank of the matrix will be less than 2. Again 1, 2, 3 are nonzero elements of A.

Hence the rank of the given matrix is 1. i.e. $\rho(A) = 1$.

Solution: (ii) We have to find the rank of the matrix A.

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rank of the matrix is the order of highest order non-vanishing minor of it.

Here the order of the given matrix is 3×3 . So, the rank of the matrix may be 3, if the determinant of B is not equal to zero i.e. $|B| \neq 0$.

Now consider

$$\begin{aligned} |B| &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{vmatrix} = 1(5 \times 9 - 8 \times 6) - 2(4 \times 9 - 7 \times 6) + 3(4 \times 8 - 7 \times 5) \\ &= 1(45 - 48) - 2(36 - 42) + 3(32 - 35) \\ &= 1 \times (-3) - 2 \times (-6) + 3 \times (-3) \\ &= -3 + 12 - 9 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since $|B| = 0$. So, the rank of the matrix is less than 3.

$$\text{Now consider } |B_1| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 5 - 8 = -3 \neq 0$$

Hence the rank of the given matrix is 2. i.e. $\boxed{\rho(B) = 2}$.

Solution: (iii) We have to find the rank of the matrix A.

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 5 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} |C| &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 5 & 8 & 9 \end{vmatrix} = 1(5 \times 9 - 8 \times 2) - 2(4 \times 9 - 5 \times 2) + 3(4 \times 8 - 5 \times 5) \\ &= 1(45 - 16) - 2(36 - 10) + 3(32 - 25) \\ &= 1 \times (29) - 2 \times (16) + 3 \times (7) \\ &= 29 - 32 + 21 = 18 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since $|C| = 18 \neq 0$. So, the rank of the matrix is 3.

$$\boxed{\rho(C) = 3}.$$

ELEMENTARY TRANSFORMATIONS OF MATRIX

1. The interchange of i^{th} and j^{th} rows denoted by R_{ij}
2. The multiplication of each element of i^{th} row by a non zero scalar k is denoted by kR_i
3. Multiplication of every element of j^{th} row by scalar k and adding to the corresponding element of i^{th} row is denoted by $R_i + kR_j$

| Matrix A | Elementary Transformation |
|--|---|
| $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ | |
| $\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ | $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$ $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1$ |
| $\sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ | $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$ |

CANONICAL OR ECHELON FORM OF A MATRIX

A matrix A is said to be in **echelon** form if

- (i) All zero rows, if any, are at the bottom of the matrix.
- (ii) Each leading non-zero entry in a row is to the right of the leading non-zero entry in the preceding row.

Note: The rank of a matrix in echelon form is equal to the number of non zero rows of the matrix.

Example:

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

$$\text{Rank}(A) = 3$$

Row Echelon Form : An Echelon form of a matrix A is called **Row Echelon Form** if all the principal diagonal elements are one (1).

Example: Following matrices are in the Row Echelon form or canonical form

$$(i) \ A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (ii) \ B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (iii) \ C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Row Reduced Echelon Form : An Echelon form of a matrix A is called **Row Reduced Echelon Form** if all the principal diagonal elements are one (1) and all other elements are zero.

Example: Following matrices are in the Row Reduced Echelon form

$$(i) \ A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (ii) \ B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (iii) \ C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

PROPERTIES OF AN ECHELON OR CANONICAL FORM

- (i) If a matrix is reduced to its Echelon form, then the rank of a matrix is equal to the number of nonzero rows present in its Echelon form.
- (ii) If a matrix is square, then the Echelon form of the matrix is same as Upper Triangular matrix.
- (iii) Echelon form of a matrix is called Gauss Elimination Method which is used to solve the system of linear equations.
- (iv) Row Echelon form is used to check whether the given vectors are linearly independent or linearly dependent.
- (v) Row reduced Echelon form is used to find the rank and nullity of a matrix.

Example2: Reduce the following matrices to its Echelon Form and hence find the rank.

$$(i) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Solution: (i) We have to reduce the following matrix A to its Echelon form and also the rank.

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

Apply $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$ and $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1$, we have

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

Apply $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$, we have

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

This is the Echelon Form of the given matrix.

Hence the rank of the given matrix is equal to nonzero rows. i.e. $\rho(A) = 2$.

Solution: (ii)

We have to reduce the following matrix A to its Echelon form and also the rank.

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

Apply R_{12} , we have

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

Apply $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1, R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_1$

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

Apply $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2, R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_2$

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

This is the Echelon Form of the given matrix.

Hence the rank of the given matrix is equal

to nonzero rows. i.e. $\rho(A) = 2$.

Home Assignment

1. Find the rank of the following matrices:

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad [Ans: \rho(A) = 1]$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 9 & 12 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad [Ans: \rho(A) = 2]$$

2. Reduce the following matrices to its Echelon form and hence find the rank.

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & 7 & 22 \end{bmatrix} \quad [Ans: \rho(A) = 3]$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 9 & 12 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad [Ans: \rho(A) = 2]$$

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 6 & 8 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad [Ans: \rho(A) = 3]$$

$$(d) \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 \\ 16 & 17 & 18 & 19 \end{bmatrix} \quad [Ans: \rho(A) = 2]$$

$$(e) \begin{bmatrix} 1^2 & 2^2 & 3^2 & 4^2 \\ 2^2 & 3^2 & 4^2 & 5^2 \\ 3^2 & 4^2 & 5^2 & 6^2 \\ 4^2 & 5^2 & 6^2 & 7^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad [Ans: \rho(A) = 3]$$

3. Determine the values of p such that the

$$\text{rank of } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & -3 & 1 \\ p & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 9 & 9 & p & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is 3.}$$

$$[Ans: p = -6]$$

Questions?
Thanks