Recitation #3 (Section 03)

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recall: the Rank

Rank

Let $x_1,...,x_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$ we define the rank as

$$\mathsf{rank}(x_1,..,x_k) = \mathsf{dim}(\mathit{Span}(x_1,..,x_k))$$

Informally: rank = "the number of linearly independent vectors among $x_1, ..., x_k$ "

practice: the Rank

Exercise 1

Calculate the rank of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 3 \\ 19 & 19 \\ -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

practice: the Rank

Exercise 2

Let $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be two matrices then

$$rank(A + B) = rank(A) + rank(B)$$

recall: invertible matrix

Invertible matrix

A matrix $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is invertible if there exists another matrix $M^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ such that

$$M M^{-1} = M^{-1} M = Id_n$$

Exercise 3

Let $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be an invertible matrix, then its transpose M^T is also invertible.

practice: invertible matrix

Exercise 4

Prove that for an invertible matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ then always $ker(A) = \{\vec{0}\}$

practice: invertible matrix

Exercise 5

Prove that for an invertible matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ then always rank(A) = n

practice: invertible matrix

Note

With the last two exercises we have that: A being invertible, A having maximum rank and $ker(A) = \{0\}$ are equivalent.

Rank nullity theorem

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Let $L: \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^n$ be a linear transformation then

$$rank(L) + dim(ker(L)) = m$$

Exercise?

Prove that rank(L) = dim(Im(L))

In this course we take it as a definition.

Which of the following are equivalent for $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$?

- **1** The columns of *A* are linearly independent
- 2 rows of A are linearly independent
- rank(A) = m
- \bullet rank(A) = n
- **5** The equation Ax = 0 has one solution
- **1** The equation Ax = b has at least one solution

- The linear transformation corresponding to *A* is injective (one-to-one)
- \odot The linear transformation corresponding to A is exhaustive (onto)
- **1** $ker(A) = \{0\}$
- **4** The span of the columns of A is \mathbb{R}^m