Finite Dimensional Inner Product Spaces

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3.1 Rank

Definition 3.1.1. An elementary row or column operation on an $m \times n$ matrix A is defined as one of the following:

- 1. Interchanging any two rows or columns of A
- 2. Scaling each entry in a row or or column of A
- 3. Adding a multiple of one row or column to another row or column of A

An elementary matrix is the result of applying one of the above to the $n \times n$ identity matrix.

Theorem 3.1.1. Suppose that B is the result of applying an elementary row operation to A. Then there exists an elementary matrix E such that B = EA. Furthermore, E is the matrix obtained by performing the same elementary row operation to I_n as was performed to convert A into B. Similarly, if B is the result of applying an elementary column operation to A, then there exits an elementary matrix E such that B = AE, and E is the result of applying the same elementary column operation to I_m as was applied to A.

The proof is a tedious verification of cases; the elementary matrices are defined precisely for this to work.

Definition 3.1.2. The rank of a matrix A is defined as the rank of the linear function $L_A = Ax$

Theorem 3.1.2. Let $T: V \to W$ be linear and $A = [T]^{\gamma}_{\beta}$. Then $\operatorname{rank}(T) = \operatorname{rank}(L_A)$

Proof. Consider the map $\phi_{\beta}: V \to \mathbb{F}^n$. That is, the function mapping a vector to its representation in coordinates. This is linear by definition and invertible as we know that any basis represents a vector uniquely as a linear combination of its elements. We have

$$L_A(\mathbb{F}^n) = L_A \phi_\beta(V) = \phi_\gamma(T(V)).$$

It follows that

$$\dim(\operatorname{im}(L_A)) = \dim(\operatorname{im}(T))$$

because ϕ_{γ} is an isomorphism.

Theorem 3.1.3. Let A be an $m \times n$. Let P and Q be invertible $m \times m$ and $n \times n$ matrices, respectively. Then

- 1. rank(AQ) = rank(A)
- 2. $\operatorname{rank}(PA) = \operatorname{rank}(A)$
- 3. rank(PAQ)

Proof.

$$im(L_{AQ}) = im(L_A L_Q) \tag{3.1}$$

$$= L_A L_Q(\mathbb{F}^n) \tag{3.2}$$

$$=L_A(L_Q((\mathbb{F}^n))\tag{3.3}$$

$$=L_A(\mathbb{F}^n) \tag{3.4}$$

$$= \operatorname{im}(L_A) \tag{3.5}$$

Thus, $\operatorname{rank}(L_{AQ}) = \operatorname{rank}(L_A)$. Similarly, $\operatorname{im}(L_P L_A) = L_P(\operatorname{im}(L_A)) = \operatorname{im}(L_A)$ and so $\operatorname{dim}(\operatorname{im}(L_P L_A)) = \operatorname{dim}(\operatorname{im}(L_A))$ since P is an isomorphism. It follows, by applying the previous two results that $\operatorname{rank}(PAQ) = \operatorname{rank}(A)$.

Theorem 3.1.4. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1m} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then
$$\operatorname{rank}(A) = \dim \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{1m} \end{pmatrix}, \dots \begin{pmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \right\} \right\}$$

Proof.

$$im(L_A) = L_A(\mathbb{F}^n) \tag{3.6}$$

$$= L_A(\operatorname{span}\{e_1, \dots e_n\}) \tag{3.7}$$

$$= \operatorname{span} \left\{ Ae_1, \dots, Ae_n \right\} \tag{3.8}$$

$$= \operatorname{span}\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{1m} \end{pmatrix}, \dots \begin{pmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$
 (3.9)

Furthermore, $\dim(\operatorname{span}(X))$ is nothing but the number of linearly independent vectors in X for any set of vectors X. Thus we have shown that the rank of a matrix is nothing but the number of linearly independent vectors in its columns.

Theorem 3.1.5. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Then a finite composition of elementary row and column operations applied to A results in a matrix of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_{\operatorname{rank}(A)} & O_1 \\ O_2 & O_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

where O_1, O_2, O_3 are zero matrices.

Proof. First, note that if A is a zero matrix, then by theorem $3.1.4 \operatorname{rank}(A) = 0$, and so $A = I_0$, the degenerate case of our claim. Suppose otherwise. We proceed by induction on m, the number of rows of A. In the case that m = 1, we may convert A to a matrix of the form

$$(1 \quad 0 \quad \cdots \quad 0)$$

by first making the leftmost entry 1 and adding the corresponding additive inverses of the others to the other columns. Clearly the rank of the above matrix is 1 and is of the form

$$(I_1 \ O)$$

This is another degenerate case, as it lacks zeros below the identity. Now suppose that our theorem holds when A has m-1 rows.

To demonstrate that our theorem holds when A is an $m \times n$ matrix, notice that when n = 1, we can argue that our theorem holds as before, but using row operations instead of column operations. This is another degenerate case. For n > 0, note that there exists an entry $A_{ij} \neq 0$ and by applying at most an elementary row and column operation, we can move A_{ij} to position 1,1. Additionally, we may transform A_{ij} to value 1, and as before, transform all of the entries in row and column 1 besides A_{ij} to 0. Thus we have a matrix of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1 \ n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & x_{m-1 \ 1} & \cdots & x_{m-1 \ n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

The submatrix defined by x_{ij} is of dimension $m-1 \times n-1$ and so must have rank rank(A)-1 as elementary operations preserve rank and deleting a row and column of a matrix reduces its rank by 1. Furthermore, by our induction hypothesis the above matrix may be converted via a finite number of elementary operations to a matrix of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & I_{\operatorname{rank}(A)-1} & O_1 \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & O_2 & O_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore, for an $m \times n$ matrix A, a finite number of elementary operations converts it into a matrix of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_{\operatorname{rank}(A)} & O_1 \\ O_2 & O_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Theorem 3.1.6. For any matrix A, rank $(A^T) = \text{rank}(A)$.

Proof. By theorem 3.1.5, we may convert A to a matrix D = BAC where $B = E_1 \cdots E_p$ and $C = G_1 \cdots G_q$ where E_i and G_i are elementary row and column matrices respectively. It follows that $D^T = C^T A^T B^T$, whence

 $\operatorname{rank}(A^T) = \operatorname{rank}(D^T)$ by theorem (insert) because elementary matrices are invertible, and so is the transpose of the compositions thereof. Further, D^T must be of the same form as D since the only nonzero entries of D are along the diagonal from entry 1, 1 to entry $\operatorname{rank}(A)$, $\operatorname{rank}(A)$. Hence, we have $\operatorname{rank}(A)$ linearly independent columns in the matrix D^T .

Since the columns of D^T are the rows of D, we see that the number of linearly independent columns of A is equal to the number of linearly independent columns of A^T . In other words, the dimension of the space generated by the columns of A is equal to the dimension of the space generated by its rows.

Theorem 3.1.7. Let A be an invertible $n \times n$ matrix. Then A is a product of elementary matrices.

Proof. By the dimension theorem, if A is invertible, then $\operatorname{rank}(A) = n$. So by theorem 3.1.5 A may converted into a matrix of the form $I_n = E_1 \cdots E_p A G_1 \cdots G_q$, whence $A = E_1^{-1} \cdots E_p^{-1} I_n G_1^{-1} \cdots G_q^{-1}$.

Theorem 3.1.8. Let $T: V \to W$ and $U: W \to Z$. Then

1. $\operatorname{rank}(TU) \leq \operatorname{rank}(U)$

2. $\operatorname{rank}(TU) \le \operatorname{rank}(T)$

Proof. We have

$$rank(TU) = dim(im(TU))$$
(3.10)

$$= \dim(\operatorname{im}(T(U(V)))) \tag{3.11}$$

$$\subseteq U(W) \tag{3.12}$$

$$= \operatorname{im}(U) \tag{3.13}$$

Therefore, $\dim(\operatorname{im}(TU)) \leq \dim(\operatorname{im}(U))$. Next, let β, γ, ϕ be ordered bases for V, W, and Z, respectively; and let $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ and $B = [U]_{\gamma}^{\phi}$. By theorem 3.1.6

$$\dim(\operatorname{im}(TU)) = \dim(\operatorname{im}(AB)) \tag{3.14}$$

$$= \dim(\operatorname{im}((AB)^T) \tag{3.15}$$

$$= \dim(\operatorname{im}(B^T A^T)) \tag{3.16}$$

$$\leq \dim(\operatorname{im}(A^T)) \tag{3.17}$$

$$= \dim(\operatorname{im}(A)) \tag{3.18}$$

$$= \dim(\operatorname{im}(T)) \tag{3.19}$$

3.2 Form

We now apply the fruits of our investigation into vector spaces and linearity to solve systems of linear equations.

Definition 3.2.1. A linear system of equations is a collection of m equations of the form:

$$a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n = b$$

where $a_i, x_i, b \in \mathbb{F}$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$. Equivalently, we may say Ax = b for an $m \times n$ matrix A, where $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$ and $b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{pmatrix}$. If $b = \mathbf{0}$, the linear system is said to be homogenous.

Definition 3.2.2. A solution to a linear system is a vector $s \in \mathbb{F}^n$ such that As = b

Theorem 3.2.1. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix over \mathbb{F} . If m < n, then the homogenous system Ax = 0 has a nontrivial solution.

Proof. Notice that, the solution set to the system Ax = 0 is $\ker(L_A)$, so by the dimension theorem, $\dim(\ker(A)) = n - \operatorname{rank}(L_A)$. Additionally, we know that $\operatorname{rank}(A)$ is nothing but the number of linearly independent vectors defined by its rows which certainly cannot exceed m. Therefore $\operatorname{rank}(A) \leq m < n$, in which case $n - \operatorname{rank}(A) = \dim(\ker(A)) > 0$, and so $\ker(A) \neq \{0\}$.

Theorem 3.2.2. For any solution s to the linear system Ax = b,

$$\{s+s_0: As_0=\mathbf{0}\}$$

is its solution set.

Proof. Suppose that As = b and As' = b. Then A(s' - s) = As' - As = b - b = 0. It follows that $s + (s' - s) \in S$. Conversely, if $y \in S$, then y = s + s', in which case Ay = A(s + s') = As + As' = b + 0 = b. That is, Ay = b.

Theorem 3.2.3. Let Ax = b for an $n \times n$ matrix A. If A is invertible, then the system has a single solution $A^{-1}b$. If the system has a single solution, then A is invertible.

Proof. Suppose A is invertible. Then $A(A^{-1}b) = AA^{-1}(b) = b$. Furthermore, if As = b for some $s \in \mathbb{F}^n$, then $A^{-1}(As) = A^{-1}b$ and so $s = A^{-1}b$. Next, suppose that the system has a unique solution s. Then by theorem 3.2.2, we know that the solution set $S = \{s + s_0 : As_0 = 0\}$. But this is only the case if $\ker(A) = \{0\}$, lest s not be unique. And so, by the dimension theorem, A is invertible.

Theorem 3.2.4. The linear system Ax = b has a nonempty solution set if and only if rank(A) = rank(A|b).

Proof. If the system has a solution, then $b \in \text{im}(L_A)$. Additionally, $\text{im}(L_A) =$

$$L_A(F^n)$$
 and $L_A(e_i) = Ae_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1i} \\ \vdots \\ a_{ni} \end{pmatrix}$. Therefore, since $L_A(\mathbb{F}^n) = \operatorname{span}\{Ae_1, \dots Ae_n\}$,

 $\operatorname{im}(L_A) = \operatorname{span}\{A_1, \ldots A_n\}$, where A_i is the i^{th} column of A. Certainly, $b \in \operatorname{span}\{A_1, \ldots A_n\}$ if and only if $\operatorname{span}\{A_1, \ldots A_n\} = \operatorname{span}\{A_1, \ldots A_n, b\}$, which is to say $\operatorname{dim}(\operatorname{im}(\operatorname{span}\{A_1, \ldots A_n\})) = \operatorname{dim}(\operatorname{im}(\operatorname{span}\{A_1, \ldots A_n, b\}))$, or, $\operatorname{rank}(A) = \operatorname{rank}(A|b)$.

Corollary 3.2.1. Let Ax = b be a linear system of m equations in n variables. Then its solution set is either, empty, of one element, or of infinitely many elements (provided that \mathbb{F} is not a finite field).

Proof. By theorem 3.2.4 Ax = b has a nonempty solution set if and only if $\operatorname{rank}(A) = \operatorname{rank}(A|b)$. Therefore, it may be that our linear system has no solutions; however, supposing that this is not the case, by theorem 3.2.3 it has a unique solution if and only if A is invertible. Finally, assume that our linear system has neither no solution nor a single solution. This yields

$$Ax_1 = Ax_2 = b \tag{3.20}$$

for $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{F}^n$, which implies

$$Ax_1 - Ax_2 = \mathbf{0} \tag{3.21}$$

$$= A(x_1 - x_2) (3.22)$$

$$= nA(x_1 - x_2) (3.23)$$

$$= A(n(x_1 - x_2)) (3.24)$$

where $n \in \mathbb{F}$. Thus, by theorem 3.2.2

$$A(x_1 + n(x_1 - x_2)) = b.$$

3.3 Solution

Definition 3.3.1. A matrix of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

is said to be in reduced echelon form if

- 1. $a_{ii} \neq 0$ implies that $a_{ij} = 1$
- 2. $a_{ij} \neq 1$ implies that $a_{ij} = 0$
- 3. $a_{ij} = 0$ for all $1 \le j \le n$ implies that i < r for all nonzero rows $(a_{r1} \cdots a_{rn})$

Theorem 3.3.1. Any matrix can be converted into reduced echelon form via a finite number of elementary row operations.

Proof. This is a restatement of theorem 3.1.5.

This form is of particular interest because reducing an augmented matrix is equivalent to solving a linear system of equations. We now have a procedure for solving arbitrary systems of linear equations. For example, we may now demonstrate that a set of vectors is linearly dependent by finding a nontrivial solution to a linear system of equations; similarly we may apply theorem 3.2.4 to demonstrate that a set of vectors is linearly dependent. In the following chapter, we will also see that computing the elements of an eigenspace is made possible by reducing a matrix.

Chapter 4

Eigenspaces

Chapter 5 Orthogonality

5.1 Inner Products

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Definition 5.1.1. There exists

Appendix A Determinants as Permutations

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