

Images, Dimensionality of Spaces

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- The entries are between 0 and 1 with the number corresponding to the intensity of the light (gray levels for black and white image).

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- There are extra conditions that apply to the above criteria but we shall not go into them explicitly.

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- $\sin x = 1$ is satisfied by discrete value $x = 2n\pi + \pi/2$ where n is an integer. Hence x is not a free variable.

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- Arya Gohil: $N(A)$ is a line, $y = -3x$, which is the correct answer.

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- If the null space is not a point then $Ax \uparrow = b \uparrow$ has infinite number of solutions.

- Remember the course "Calculus and Differential equations" where the general solution of an inhomogeneous ODE is given as $y = y_c + y_p$ where y_p is the particular solution (like our $x^* \uparrow$) and y_c is the general solution of the homogeneous equation (RHS = 0), (like our x_n).

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- In the course Discrete Mathematics too while finding closed form solutions to linear recurrence equations (compare with "Linear algebra" and "linear ODEs") a similar construct is used. See for example the lecture notes "Mathematics for computer science" by Lehman, Leighton and Meyer" on MIT, OCW