

Linear Transformation:

$T: U \rightarrow V \quad T(c_1 \underline{\alpha} + c_2 \underline{\beta}) = c_1 T(\underline{\alpha}) + c_2 T(\underline{\beta}) \Rightarrow T$ is a linear transformation

(i) $N(T) = \{ \underline{\alpha} \in U : T(\underline{\alpha}) = \underline{0} \}$

(ii) Nullity: Dimension of $N(T)$

(iii) $R(T) = \{ \underline{v} \in V \text{ s.t. } T(\underline{u}) = \underline{v}, \underline{u} \in U \}$

(iv) Rank of T : Dimension of $R(T)$

Rank Nullity Theorem: Rank of T + Nullity of T = Dim of U

Q. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a linear transformation:

$T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + x_2, x_1 - x_2, x_2)$. Find Rank of T .

$U = \mathbb{R}^2 \Rightarrow \text{Dim of } U = 2 \Rightarrow \text{Rank of } T = \text{Dim of } U - \text{Nullity of } T$
 $= 2 - \text{Nullity of } T$

Defn: $N(T) = \{ \underline{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}^2 : T(\underline{\alpha}) = \underline{0} \} = 2 - 1 = 1$

Consider $\underline{\alpha} = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$T(\underline{\alpha}) = \underline{0} \Rightarrow T(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) = \underline{0}$

$(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \alpha_1 - \alpha_2, \alpha_2) = (0, 0, 0)$

$\left. \begin{matrix} \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 0 \\ \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 = 0 \\ \alpha_2 = 0 \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \alpha_1 = 0, \alpha_2 = 0 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$N(T) = \{ (0, 0) \} \Rightarrow \text{Nullity} = 1$

Note: For a matrix $A_{m \times n}$:

Null space of matrix $A: N(A) = \{ \underline{x} : A \underline{x} = \underline{0} \}$

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Nullity of A : Dimension of $N(A)$.

Rank-Nullity Th: Rank of A + Nullity of A = No. of cols of A .

Recap: Rank of a matrix $A_{m \times n}$:

Defn: No. of independent rows/columns in matrix.

Properties:

(i) $R(A_{m \times n}) \leq \min\{m, n\}$.

(ii) $R(AB) \leq \min\{R(A), R(B)\}$.

$A_{m \times n} B_{n \times p}$.

(iii) $R(A) = R(A^T)$

Q. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & 8 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 5}$

$R(A) \leq 3$

To find $R(A)$ we use elementary row operations:

(i) Check first non-zero element in R_1 - Use that to make all the elements below it zero.

$\begin{matrix} R_2' \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

(ii) Check the first non-zero element in R_2 , use that to make all the elements below it zero.

$\xrightarrow{R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow R(A) = 2$

Q. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{4 \times 4}$

$R(A) \leq 4$

$$R_3' \rightarrow R_3 - R_1 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$R_4' \rightarrow R_3 + R_4 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow R(A) = 3$$

Q. Consider the system as: $x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 - x_4 + 2x_5 = 0$
 $x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 0$
 $3x_1 + 6x_2 + 8x_3 + x_4 + 4x_5 = 0$
 Find the dimension of the solution space.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & 8 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 5}$$

$$S = \underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = \{ \underline{x} : A\underline{x} = \underline{0} \} = \mathcal{N}(A)$$

Dim of soln space = Nullity of A

Rank of A + Nullity of A = No. of cols.

$$\text{Nullity of A} = 5 - 2 = 3$$