

Course : Algebra 3
Chapter 2 : Linear systems

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Exercise 0.1 Determine the rank of the following matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -3 \\ -2 & 3 & 7 \\ 8 & -4 & -12 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 9 & 0 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 5 & 5 & 15/2 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } D = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 & -5 \\ 1 & 4/3 & -5/3 \\ -4 & -16/3 & 20/3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Exercise 0.2 Find the solutions of the following systems

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 + 6x_4 &= 1, & 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 &= 3, \\ 4x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 + 3x_4 &= -2, & 2x_1 + 5x_2 + 4x_3 &= 5, \\ x_1 - 3x_2 - 7x_3 + 8x_4 &= 3 & -2x_1 + x_2 - 7x_3 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 + 7x_4 + 9x_5 + 6x_6 &= 1, \\ 5x_1 + 6x_2 + x_3 + 3x_5 + 7x_6 &= 3, \\ 4x_1 + 5x_2 + 2x_3 + 3x_4 + x_5 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 0.3 Give the values of β if the rank of A is equal to 3.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 & 1 \\ 10 & 2 & 4 \\ -5 & 3\beta - 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Exercise 0.4 Let $AX = B$ be the linear system defined by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 5 & 3 \\ 7 & 2 & \alpha/2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3/5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 14/5 \\ 2/5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Give the values of α in the case where the given system has a unique solution and in the case where this system does not have solutions.

Exercise 0.5 Let $AX = B$ be the linear system defined by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 6 & 5 & 0 & 1 \\ 9 & 6 & 2 & -\alpha + 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find the values of α in the case where there exists a unique solution and in the case where there exist infinite solutions.