

Rank Of A Matrix

Important Questions (PYQ)

find the value of x so that

matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} x+p & q & r \\ p & x+q & r \\ p & q & x+r \end{bmatrix}$$

is of rank 3.

Sol.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x+p & q & r \\ p & x+q & r \\ p & q & x+r \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3.$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} x+p+q+r & q & r \\ x+p+q+r & x+q & r \\ x+p+q+r & q & x+r \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= (x+p+q+r) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & q & r \\ 1 & x+q & r \\ 1 & q & x+r \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= (x+p+q+r) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & q & r \\ 0 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x \end{pmatrix}$$

$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$
 $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$

$$= (x+p+q+r) (x^2) \neq 0$$

[\because Rank of Matrix is 3.
 $|A| \neq 0$].

$$x^2 (x+p+q+r) \neq 0$$

$$x \neq 0, -(p+q+r)$$

Using elementary transformations, find the Rank of matrix.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sol.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow 2R_3 - R_2$$

$$0 - 0$$

$$-2 - (-2)$$

$$-6 - (0)$$

$$\rho(A) = 3.$$

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

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -6 & -3 \\ 0 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 4R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{3} R_2$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} R_3$$



$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$

$$\rho(A) = 2.$$

[\because Minor $\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ of order 2 does not vanish]



⊛ Reduce the Matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 7 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & 11 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

to the normal form and hence,
find its rank.

Sol. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 7 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & 11 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 7 & 5 \\ 1 & 5 & 11 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad C_1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} C_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & 8 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$$

$$R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & 8 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_1$$

$$C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - 3C_1$$

$$C_4 \rightarrow C_4 - 4C_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 8 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_2 \leftrightarrow C_4$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - 2R_2$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$$

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$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$C_3 \leftrightarrow C_4$

$$= \left[\begin{array}{cccc|cc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - 3C_2$$

$$C_4 \rightarrow C_4 - 4C_2$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} I_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rho(A) = 3.$$

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If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ then find the

matrices P and Q s.t. PAQ is in normal form. Hence find the Rank of Matrix A .

Sol.:

$$A = I A I$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_1 \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1 \\
 \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] A \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1 \quad C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_1 \\
 \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] A \left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow -1/2 R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3/2 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3/2 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} I_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = P A Q$$

$$\underline{\underline{\rho(A) = 2}}$$