

Linear Algebra

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INVERTIBLE MATRIX THEOREM

– confluence of different concepts –

Let A be a **square matrix** of size $n \times n$. Then the following statements are equivalent.

1. A is invertible.
2. A is row equivalent to the identity matrix.
3. A has n pivot positions.
4. The equation $Ax = 0$ has only the trivial solution.
5. The columns of A form a linearly independent set.
6. The linear transformation $x \mapsto Ax$ is one-to-one.
7. The equation $Ax = b$ has at least one solution for each $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
8. The columns of A span \mathbb{R}^n .
9. The linear transformation maps \mathbb{R}^n onto \mathbb{R}^n .
10. There is an $n \times n$ matrix C such that $CA = I$.
11. There is an $n \times n$ matrix D such that $AD = I$.
12. A^T is invertible.