

Consider the following system of m linear equation in n unknowns over a field F

$$a_{11}x_{1} + a_{12}x_{2} + \dots + a_{1n}x_{n} = b_{1}$$

$$a_{21}x_{1} + a_{22}x_{2} + \dots + a_{2n}x_{n} = b_{2}$$

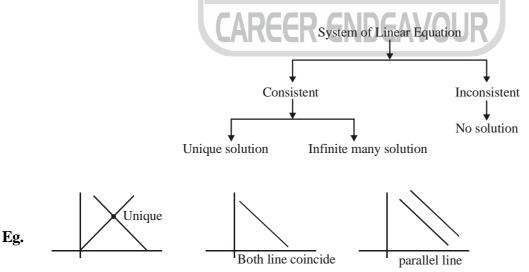
$$\vdots$$

$$a_{m1}x_{1} + a_{m2}x_{2} + \dots + a_{mn}x_{n} = b_{m}$$

$$a_{ij}, b_{i} \in F, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$
This system can be written as $Ax = b$
Where $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_{1} \\ x_{2} \\ \vdots \\ x_{n} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } b = \begin{bmatrix} b_{1} \\ b_{2} \\ \vdots \\ b_{m} \end{bmatrix}$
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- (a) If b = 0 then the system is called homogeneous otherwise it is called non homogeneous.
- (b) A system of linear equations is called consistent if there exist $x_1 \in F^n$ such that $Ax_1 = b$ otherwise it is called inconsistent.



- (c) The $m \times (n+1)$ matrix [A:b] is called the augmented matrix of the system.
- (d) Two system Ax = b and A'x = b'; $A, A' \in F^{m \times n}$, $b, b' \in F^m$ are said to be equivalent if they have the same set of solutions.





Homogeneous System :

Consider a homogeneous system Ax = 0 ... (1)

Clearly $x_1 = x_2 \dots = x_n = 0$ is a solution of (1). Therefore it is always a consistent system and this solution is called trivial solution of (1).

Again if x_1 and x_2 are two solution of (1)

Then their linear combination $k_1x_1 + k_2x_2$, where $k_1, k_2 \in F$ is also a solution of (1).

Therefore the collection of all the solutions of the system of equations Ax = 0 form a subspace of the *n*-dimensional vector space.

Theorem: The number of linear independent solution of m homogeneous linear equations in n variables,

Ax = 0 is (n-r), where r is the rank of the matrix A. Hence dimension of solution space is n-r.

Consider the system Ax = 0

Where $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$ and $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$

Case –**I** : If $n \le m$

(a) If Rank (A) = n, then the system has only trivial solution.

(b) If $r = \operatorname{rank}(A) < n$, then the system has infinite number of solutions and the dimension of solution space is *n*-*r*.

Case -II If m < n

(a) If Rank (A) = m, then the solution space is of *n*-*m* dimension.

(b) If r = Rank(A) < m, then the system has infinite number of solutions and the dimension of solution space is *n*-*r*.

Non- Homogeneous system :

Consider the system Ax = b

Where
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$
, $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$ and $b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$

Theorem:

The system of equation Ax = b is consistent if and only if the coefficient matrix A and the augmented matrix [A:b] are of the same rank.

Case - I If m = n

(a) If Rank (A) = m = n then the system is always consistent and has unique solution.

(b) If r = Rank(A) < m = n then the system has solution if *b* can be written as linear combination of columns of *A* and has infinite solutions.

If b can not be written as linear combination of columns of A then the system has no solution

Case -II If m < n

(a) If Rank(A) = m < n, then the system always have infinite number of solutions.

(b) If Rank(A) < m < n then the system has infinite number of solutions if b can be written as linear





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combinations of columns of A otherwise it does not have any solution.

Case-III if n < m

(a) If Rank(A) = n < m, then the system has unique solution if *b* can be written as linear combination of columns of *A*.

(b) If Rank(A) < n < m, then the system has infinite number of solutions if *b* can be written as linear combination of columns of *A* otherwise it is inconsistent.

SOLVED PROBLEMS

1. Let x + y + z = 0, x - y - z = 0 then the number of solution of this system of equation is

- (a) unique
- (c) finitely many but greater than 2
- (b) infinitely many

(b) (i) is true

(d) (i) and (ii) are true

(d) none of these

Soln. We have

x + y + z = 0

$$x - y - z = 0$$

Solving these we get x = 0 and $y + z = 0 \implies y = -z$ and x = 0. Hence, there is infinitely many solution. Correct option is (b).

- 2. Consider the system of equations AX = 0, BX = 0 where A and B are $n \times n$ matrices and X is a $n \times 1$ matrix. Which of the following statements are true. [HCU-2010]
 - (i) det(A) = det(B) implies that the two systems have the same solutions
 - (ii) The two systems have the same solutions implies det(A) = det(B)

...(i) ...(ii)

- (iii) $det(A) = 0 \neq det(B)$ implies that the two systems can have different solutions
- (a) All are true
- (c) (iii) is true

Soln.(i) Consider $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{3\times 3}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{3\times 3}$

Clearly det(A) = det(B) = 0

Now,
$$AX = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{ Solution set of } AX = 0 \text{ is } \{(0, x_2, x_3) \mid x_2, x_3 \in \mathbb{R}\}\$$

Now
$$BX = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x_2 = x_3 = 0$$





[HCU-2011]

[HCU-2016]

 \Rightarrow Solution set for BX = 0 is $\{(x_1, 0, 0) | x_1 \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Hence (i) is incorrect.

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(ii) If det(A) = 3 and det(B) = 4.

AX=0 and BX=0 has unique trivial solution. Hence solutions of the system AX=0 and BX=0 are the same, but $det(A) \neq det(B)$

Hence (ii) is incorrect.

(iii) If det (A) = 0 and det $(B) \neq 0$ then the system AX = 0 have more than one solution and the system BX = 0always have unique trivial solution. Thus the two systems have different solutions.

Hence (iii) is correct

Correct option is (c)

- 3. Let A be a 4×4 real matrix. Which of the following 4 conditions is not equivalent to the other 3?
 - (a) The matrix A is invertible
 - (b) The system of equations Ax = 0 has only trivial solution
 - (c) Any two distinct rows u and v of A are linearly independent
 - (d) The system of equations Ax = b has a unique solution $\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^4$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider $A = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ Soln.

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Clearly any two rows of A are linearly independent. But det(A) = 0

 \Rightarrow A is not invertible

 \Rightarrow Ax = 0 has more than one solution

Correct option is (c)

4. The system of equations $6x_1 - 2x_2 + 2\alpha x_3 = 1$ and $3x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 5$ has no solution if α is equal to

Consider $[A:b] = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2\alpha & \vdots & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & \vdots & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ Soln.

Apply
$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - \frac{1}{2}R_1$$
, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} A \cdot b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2\alpha & \vdots & 1 \\ & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A:b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1-\alpha & \vdots & \frac{9}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

The system has no solution if $1 - \alpha = 0 \implies \alpha = 1$

Correct option is (c)

- 5. Let A be a 5×5 real matrix. Suppose 0 is one of eigenvalues of A. Which of the following statement is true?
 - (a) System AX = 0 has unique solution
 - (c) AX = 0 has a non-trivial solution
- (b) System AX = C has unique solution for any C

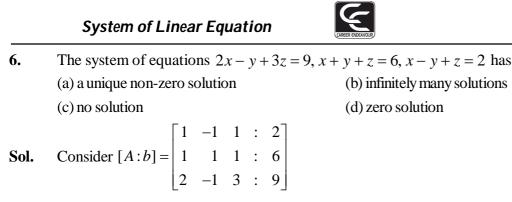
(d) 5

- (d) none of the above [HCU-2018]
- If 0 is one of the eigen value of ASol.

 \Rightarrow det (A) = 0 \Rightarrow AX = 0 has a non trivial solution

Correct option is (c)





Apply
$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1; R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1$$
, we have

$$[A:b] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & : & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & : & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & : & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}R_2$$

$$[A:b] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & : & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & : & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & : & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Apply $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2$ and $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$, we have

$$[A:b] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \vdots & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\Rightarrow \operatorname{Rank} (A) = \operatorname{Rank}([A : b]) \text{ and also } A \text{ is invertible.}$ $\Rightarrow \operatorname{The system has a unique non zero solution.}$ Correct option is (a)

7. Let $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ be a 3×3 matrix over \mathbb{R} . Then for a given vector $Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3\times 1}$, the vector space

of all 3×1 matrices over \mathbb{R} , the system PX = Y has a solution if

- (a) $y_1 y_2 + y_3 = 0$ (b) $2y_1 y_2 + y_3 = 0$
- (c) $y_1 + y_2 y_3 = 0$ (d) $2y_1 + y_2 y_3 = 0$

Soln. Consider $[A:b] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & : & y_1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & : & y_2 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 & : & y_3 \end{bmatrix}$

Apply, $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$, we have



[CUCET-2016]

$$[A:b] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & \vdots & y_1 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 & \vdots & y_2 - 2y_1 \\ 0 & 5 & -1 & \vdots & y_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Apply, $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$, we have

$$[A:b] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & \vdots & y_1 \\ 0 & +5 & -1 & \vdots & y_2 - 2y_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \vdots & y_3 - y_2 + 2y_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus the system has a solution if $2y_1 - y_2 + y_3 = 0$

Correct option is (b)

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8. Following system of linear equations x + 4y + 3z = 0 x + 3y + 4z = 0 x + 2y + 5z = 0 does have(a) no solution
(b) infinitely many solutions
(c) more than one but finitely many solutions
(d) exactly one solution.
Soln. Consider $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ Apply, $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1; R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$, we have $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 4 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ Apply, $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_2$, we have $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ Apply, $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_2$, we have $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\Rightarrow \text{Rank}(A) = 2 < 3$

 \Rightarrow The system has infinitely many solution.

Correct option is (b)

9. Consider the following system of linear equations

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{15}x_5 = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{25}x_5 = b_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$a_{81}x_1 + a_{82}x_2 + \dots + a_{85}x_5 = b_8$$

A vector $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_5) \in \mathbb{R}^5$ is said to be a solution of the system if $x_i = \lambda_i, i = 1, 2..., 5$ satisfies all the equations. Then

(a) If the system of equations has only finitely many solutions then it has exactly one solution

- (b) If all the b_i 's are zero then the set of solutions of the system is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^5 .
- (c) A system of 8 equations in 5 unknowns is always consistent
- (d) If the system of equations has a unique solution then the rank of the matrix $[a_{ij}]$ must be 5.



[HCU-2012]



- Soln. (a) If the field is inifinite then we come across only three cases which are
 - (i) No solution (ii) Infinite solution (iii) Unique solution

Thus if the system of equations has only finitely many solutions. Then it has to be unique. Thus option (a) is correct.

- (b) If the system AX = b, $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ is homogeneous then the solution set is subspace of F^{n} .
- \Rightarrow option (b) is correct.
- (c) Consider the system AX = b, where

1	0	0	0	1			$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \end{bmatrix}$
0	1	0	0	1			0
0	0	0	0	0			0
0	0	1	0	1		h	0
0	0	0	1	1	,	$D \equiv$	0
0	0	0	0	0			0
0	0	0	0	0			0
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Clearly Rank(A) \neq Rank([A:b])

- \Rightarrow The system AX = b has no solution
- \Rightarrow Option (c) is incorrect
- (d) If the system AX = b, $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ has unique solution then rank of A is always n.
- \Rightarrow Option is (d) is correct.

Correct option are (a), (b), (d)

- 10. Consider a linear system of equations $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ where A is a 3 × 3 matrix and $\vec{b} \neq 0$. Suppose the rank of the matrix of coefficients $A = (a_{ij})$ is equal to 2 then [HCU-2015]
 - (a) there definitely exists a solution of the system of equations
 - (b) there exists a non-zero column vector \vec{v} in \mathbb{R}^3 such that $A\vec{v} = \vec{0}$
 - (c) if there exists a solution to the system of equations $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ then at least one equation is a linear combination of the other two equations

(d) det
$$A = 0$$

Soln. (a) Consider a system $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$, where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Clearly $\rho(A) \neq \rho([A:b])$

- \Rightarrow The system has no solution
- \Rightarrow option (a) is incorrect
- (b) If $\rho(A) < 3$ then there always exist a non zero vector v such that Av = 0.
- \Rightarrow Option (b) is correct
- (c) Option (c) is correct [By property of system of linear equation's]
- (d) If $\rho(A) < 3$
- $\Rightarrow \det(A) = 0$
- \Rightarrow option (d) is correct

Correct option is (b), (c), (d)



System of Linear Equation



11. Consider the system of simultaneous equations

$$2x - 2y - 2z = a_1$$

-2x + 2y - 3z = a_2
$$4x - 4y + 5z = a_3$$

[NBHM-2007]

Write down the condition to be satisfied by a_1, a_2, a_3 for this system NOT to have a solution.

Soln. Consider $[A:b] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -2 & : & a_1 \\ -2 & 2 & -3 & : & a_2 \\ 4 & -4 & 5 & : & a_3 \end{bmatrix}$

Apply, $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1$, $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_1$, we have

	2	-2	-2	:	a_1
$[A\!:\!b]\!\sim\!$	0	0	-5	:	$a_1 + a_2$
	0	0	9	:	$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_1 + a_2 \\ a_3 - 2a_1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$R_3 \rightarrow \frac{9}{5}R_2 + R_3$$
, We have

$$[A:b] \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -2 & \vdots & & & a_1 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & \vdots & & & a_1 + a_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \vdots & (a_3 - 2a_1) + \frac{9}{5}(a_1 + a_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

The system has no solution if $(a_3 - 2a_1) + \frac{9}{5}(a_1 + a_2) \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow 5a_3 - 10a_1 + 9a_2 + 9a_1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow -a_1 + 9a_2 + 5a_3 \neq 0$$

- 12. If the system of equation x ky z = 0, kx y z = 0 and x + y z = 0 has a non zero solution, then the possible value of k are (a) -1, 2 (b) 0, 1 (c) 1, 2 (d) -1, 1 [IIT-JEE : 2011]
- Soln. Given that, system of equation is

$$x - ky - z = 0$$
$$kx - y - z = 0$$
$$x + y - z = 0$$

Matrix representation is $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -k & -1 \\ k & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Given system has non zero solution $\Rightarrow |A| = 0$ $\Rightarrow 1(1+1) + k(-k+1) - 1(k+1) = 0$ $\Rightarrow 2 - k^2 + \cancel{k} - \cancel{k} - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow -k^2 + 1 = 0$ $\Rightarrow k^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{k = \pm 1}$

Correct option is (d)



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13.	The equation true or false verify [TIFR-2012]					
	$x_1 + \frac{1}{2} x_2 + \frac{1}{3} x_3 = 1$					
	$x_1 + \frac{1}{4} x_2 + \frac{1}{9} x_3 = 1$					
	$x_1 + \frac{1}{8}x_2 + \frac{1}{27}x_3 = 1$ has no solution					
Calm						
Soln.	After solving these we get $\rho(A) = \rho(A : B) = 3$, hence unique solution					
	Statement is false.					
14.	The equation $x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 1$, $x_1 + 4x_2 + 9x_3 = 1$, $x_1 + 8x_2 + 27x_3 = 1$ have [TIFR-2010]					
	(a) only one solution(b) two solution(c) infinitely many solution(d) no solution					
Soln.	$\rho(A) = \rho(A:B)$ and also A is invertible					
	Correct option is (a)					
15.	Let A be a 5 × 4 matrix with real entries such that $A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$ iff $\underline{x} = \underline{0}$ where \underline{x} is 4 × 1 vector and $\underline{0}$ is null					
	vector. Then rank of A is $[(SCQ) CSIR-NET/JRF : Dec. 2013]$					
Soln.	(a) 4 (b) 5 (c) 2 (d) 1 $Ax = 0$ has trivial solution only If $\rho(A)$ = the number of columns = 4					
4.6	Correct option is (a).					
16.	Let A be a 5×4 matrix with real enteries such that the space of all solution of the linear system.					
	$Ax^{t} = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]^{t}$ is given by $\{[1 + 2s, 2 + 3s, 3 + 4s, 4 + 5s]^{t} : s \in \mathbb{R}\}$. Here M^{t} denote the transpose of					
	a matrix M) then the rank of A is equal to (a) 4 (b) 3 (c) 2 (d) 1 [(SCQ) CSIR-NET/JRF : Dec-2011]					
Soln.	Solution set of $Ax^t = [1 2 3 4 5]^t$ is given by					
	$S = \left\{ [1+2s, 2+3s, 3+4s, 4+5s]' : s \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ (1, 2, 3, 4) + s(2, 3, 4, 5) : s \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \implies \dim S = 2$					
	\therefore The number of L.I. solution of the given non homogeneous system of equation is 2.					
	Hence, $n - r + 1 = 2$					
	$\Rightarrow 4 - r + 1 = 2 \qquad \Rightarrow \checkmark r = \checkmark 3 \qquad \Rightarrow \boxed{r = 3}$					
	Correct option is (b).					
17.	$[A]_{m \times n} x = [b]_{n \times 1}$ be a system of equation then which of the following is true?					
	 (a) If m=n then the given system of equation has always unique solution [(SCQ) CSIR-NET/JRF: Dec-2011] (b) If m < n then the given system of equation has no solution 					

- (c) If m < n then the given system of equation has infinite or no solution
- (d) If $m \le n$ then the given system of equation has no solution
- Soln. We know that, if number of equation is less than number of unknowns then system of linear equation have either no or infinite solutions. As, rank [A:B] < number of unknowns and if rank [A:B] = rank $[A] \Rightarrow$ infinite solution. rank $[A:B] \neq$ rank $[A] \implies$ no solution.

Correct option is (c).





18. Tick true or false

A is 3×4 matrix of rank 3. Then system of equations Ax = b has exactly one solution. [TIFR-2011]

Soln. n - r = 4 - 3 = 1 so it has infinite number of solution.

Statement is false.

UNSOLVED PROBLEMS

SIMULTANEOUS LINEAR SYSTEM

In all the following, you show consistency and inconsistency. If consistent find solution on it.

(1) $\begin{array}{l} x + 2y - 3z = -4 \\ 2x + 3y + 2z = 2 \\ 3x - 3y - 4z = 1 \end{array}$		(2) $\begin{aligned} x + y + z &= 6\\ x + 2z &= 7\\ 3x + y + z &= 1 \end{aligned}$	2
(3) 5x - 7y = 2 $7x - 5y = 3$		(4) 4x - 2y = 3 $6x - 3y = 5$	
(5) $x-2y+z=0$ $x+y-z=0$ $3x+6y-5z=0$		(6) 4x + 3z = 8 $2x - z = 2$ $3x + 2y = 5$	
(7) $x + y + z = 5$ $x + 3y + 3z = 9$ $x + 2y + \alpha z = \beta$	Find α , β so that it hav	e infinite many so	olution.
(8) $x + y + z = 3$ x + 2y + 3z = 4 x + 4y + kz = 6	vill not have unique soluti	on for k equal to	UR
(a) 0	(b) 5	(c) 6	(d) 7
(9) $x+2y+z=6$ 2x+y+2z=6 x+y+z=5	•	3y = 4 for wh y + z = 4 2y - z = a	at value of a system has solution
(11) $4x + 2y = 7$ $2x + y = 6$	<i>x</i> -	x + 5y = -1 $-y = 2$ $+3y = 3$	
$2x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 =$ (13) $3x_1 - 2x_2 + 5x_3 =$ $-x_1 - 4x_2 + x_3 =$	$= 2 \qquad (14) \begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_1 \\ x_1 \end{array}$	$+ x_{2} + 2x_{3} = 1$ + $2x_{2} + 3x_{3} = 2$ + $4x_{2} + ax_{3} = 4$	Find $= ?$

has unique solution. Find = ?



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