

Math 260 Section 2.3

Most important ideas:

- **Finally: The Invertible Matrix Theorem for square matrices, given on page 112.**  
There will eventually be 24 different “conditions” we consider for a matrix.

Condition	Good version	Bad version
Example...	$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$
$A$ invertible?	Yes.	No.
$A$ row equivalent to $I$ ( $A \sim I$ )?	Yes. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	No. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
Pivot in every row and column?	Yes.	No.
Solution(s) to $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ ?	Only $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ .	$\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ , as well as one or more $\vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$ and its scalar multiples.
Columns of $A$ linearly independent?	Yes.	No.
Function $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ (i.e. $\vec{x} \rightarrow A\vec{x}$ ) 1-to-1?	Yes.	No.
Solution exists to $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ , regardless of $\vec{b}$ ?	Yes.	No.
Columns of $A$ span $R^n$ ?	Yes.	No.
Function $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ (i.e. $\vec{x} \rightarrow A\vec{x}$ ) onto?	Yes.	No.

If any one of the good things is true, then all of the good things are true.

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