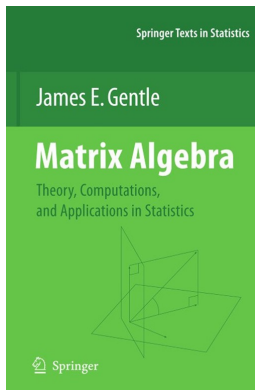


# Theory of Matrices

## Chapter 3. Basic Properties of Matrices

### 3.3. Matrix Rank and the Inverse of a Full Rank Matrix—Proofs of Theorems



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**Proof (continued).** So the set of vectors  $\{b^i\}_{i=1}^k = \{[a_{\pi(1)}^i, a_{\pi(2)}^i, \dots, a_{\pi(n)}^i]\}_{i=1}^k$  is linearly independent as well. Similarly, if  $\{a^i\}$  is linearly dependent then  $\{b^i\}$  is linearly dependent.  $\square$

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## Theorem 3.3.4

**Theorem 3.3.4.** Let  $A$  be a matrix partitioned as  $A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ .

Then

- (i)  $\text{rank}(A_{ij}) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  for  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ .
- (ii)  $\text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}])$ .
- (iii)  $\text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix} \right) + \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right)$ .
- (iv) If  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T) \perp \mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  then  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}])$  and if  $\mathcal{V} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix} \right) \perp \mathcal{V} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right)$  then

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$\text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ . Next, the set of columns of  $A_{11}$  is a subset of

the set of columns of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$  and so  $\text{rank}(A_{11}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}])$  (and similarly  $\text{rank}(A_{12}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}])$ ). Therefore

$\text{rank}(A_{11}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{rank}(A_{12}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ .

## Theorem 3.3.4 (continued 1)

(i)  $\text{rank}(A_{ij}) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  for  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ .

**Proof.** (i) Since the set of rows of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$  is a subset of the set of rows of  $A$ , then by Exercise 2.1.G(i),  $\text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ . Similarly, the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}$  is a subset of the set of columns of  $A$  and so  $\text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ . Also,  $\text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ . Next, the set of columns of  $A_{11}$  is a subset of the set of columns of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$  and so  $\text{rank}(A_{11}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}])$  (and similarly  $\text{rank}(A_{12}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}])$ ). Therefore  $\text{rank}(A_{11}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{rank}(A_{12}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ . Similarly,  $\text{rank}(A_{21}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{rank}(A_{22}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ .



## Theorem 3.3.4 (continued 1)

(i)  $\text{rank}(A_{ij}) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  for  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ .

**Proof.** (i) Since the set of rows of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$  is a subset of the set of rows of  $A$ , then by Exercise 2.1.G(i),  $\text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ . Similarly, the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}$  is a subset of the set of columns of  $A$  and so  $\text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ . Also,  $\text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ . Next, the set of columns of  $A_{11}$  is a subset of the set of columns of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$  and so  $\text{rank}(A_{11}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}])$  (and similarly  $\text{rank}(A_{12}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}])$ ). Therefore  $\text{rank}(A_{11}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{rank}(A_{12}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ . Similarly,  $\text{rank}(A_{21}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{rank}(A_{22}) \leq \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}]) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ .

## Theorem 3.3.4 (continued 2)

$$\text{(ii) } \text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}]).$$

$$\text{(iii) } \text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix} \right) + \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

**Proof (continued).** (ii) Let  $R$  be the set of rows of  $A$ ,  $R_1$  the set of rows of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$ , and  $R_2$  the set of rows of  $[A_{21}|A_{22}]$ . Then  $R = R_1 \cup R_2$  and by Exercise 2.1.G(ii),  $\dim(\text{span}(R)) \leq \dim(\text{span}(R_1)) + \dim(\text{span}(R_2))$ . That is,  $\text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}])$ .

## Theorem 3.3.4 (continued 2)

$$(ii) \text{ rank}(A) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}]).$$

$$(iii) \text{ rank}(A) \leq \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix} \right) + \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

**Proof (continued).** (ii) Let  $R$  be the set of rows of  $A$ ,  $R_1$  the set of rows of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$ , and  $R_2$  the set of rows of  $[A_{21}|A_{22}]$ . Then  $R = R_1 \cup R_2$  and by Exercise 2.1.G(ii),  $\dim(\text{span}(R)) \leq \dim(\text{span}(R_1)) + \dim(\text{span}(R_2))$ . That is,  $\text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}])$ .

(iii) Let  $C$  be the set of columns of  $A$ ,  $C_1$  be the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $C_2$  be the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $C = C_1 \cup C_2$

and by Exercise 2.1.G(ii),

$\dim(\text{span}(C)) \leq \dim(\text{span}(C_1)) + \dim(\text{span}(C_2))$ . That is,

$$\text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix} \right) + \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

## Theorem 3.3.4 (continued 2)

$$\text{(ii) } \text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}]).$$

$$\text{(iii) } \text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix} \right) + \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

**Proof (continued).** **(ii)** Let  $R$  be the set of rows of  $A$ ,  $R_1$  the set of rows of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$ , and  $R_2$  the set of rows of  $[A_{21}|A_{22}]$ . Then  $R = R_1 \cup R_2$  and by Exercise 2.1.G(ii),  $\dim(\text{span}(R)) \leq \dim(\text{span}(R_1)) + \dim(\text{span}(R_2))$ . That is,  $\text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}])$ .

**(iii)** Let  $C$  be the set of columns of  $A$ ,  $C_1$  be the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $C_2$  be the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $C = C_1 \cup C_2$

and by Exercise 2.1.G(ii),

$\dim(\text{span}(C)) \leq \dim(\text{span}(C_1)) + \dim(\text{span}(C_2))$ . That is,

$$\text{rank}(A) \leq \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix} \right) + \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

## Theorem 3.3.4 (continued 3)

(iv) If  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T) \perp \mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  then

$$\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}])$$

and if  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) \perp \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  then

$$\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) + \text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right).$$

**Proof (continued).** (iv) Let  $R$  be the set of rows of  $A$ ,  $R_1$  the set of rows of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$ , and  $R_2$  the set of rows of  $[A_{21}|A_{22}]$ . Then  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T)$  is the row space of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$  and  $\mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  is the row space of  $[A_{21}|A_{22}]$ . So the row space of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T) + \mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  (see page 13 of the text).

## Theorem 3.3.4 (continued 3)

(iv) If  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T) \perp \mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  then

$$\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}])$$

and if  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) \perp \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  then

$$\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) + \text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right).$$

**Proof (continued).** (iv) Let  $R$  be the set of rows of  $A$ ,  $R_1$  the set of rows of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$ , and  $R_2$  the set of rows of  $[A_{21}|A_{22}]$ . Then  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T)$  is the row space of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$  and  $\mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  is the row space of  $[A_{21}|A_{22}]$ . So the row space of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T) + \mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  (see page 13 of the text). Since  $\mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T) \perp \mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  by hypothesis, then the row space of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T) \oplus \mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$ . By Exercise 2.1.G(iii),  $\text{rank}(A) = \dim(\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T)) + \dim(\mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)) = \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}])$ .

## Theorem 3.3.4 (continued 3)

(iv) If  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T) \perp \mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  then

$$\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}])$$

and if  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) \perp \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  then

$$\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) + \text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right).$$

**Proof (continued).** (iv) Let  $R$  be the set of rows of  $A$ ,  $R_1$  the set of rows of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$ , and  $R_2$  the set of rows of  $[A_{21}|A_{22}]$ . Then  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T)$  is the row space of  $[A_{11}|A_{12}]$  and  $\mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  is the row space of  $[A_{21}|A_{22}]$ . So the row space of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T) + \mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  (see page 13 of the text). Since  $\mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T) \perp \mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$  by hypothesis, then the row space of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T) \oplus \mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)$ . By Exercise 2.1.G(iii),  $\text{rank}(A) = \dim(\mathcal{V}([A_{11}|A_{12}]^T)) + \dim(\mathcal{V}([A_{21}|A_{22}]^T)) = \text{rank}([A_{11}|A_{12}]) + \text{rank}([A_{21}|A_{22}])$ .

## Theorem 3.3.4 (continued 4)

**Proof (continued).** (iv) Let  $C$  be the set of columns of  $A$ ,  $C_1$  the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $C_2$  the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  is the column space of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  is the column space of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ . So the column space of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) + \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$ . Since  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) \perp \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  by hypothesis, then the column space of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) \oplus \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$ .



## Theorem 3.3.4 (continued 4)

**Proof (continued).** (iv) Let  $C$  be the set of columns of  $A$ ,  $C_1$  the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $C_2$  the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  is the column space of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  is the column space of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ . So the column space of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) + \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$ . Since  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) \perp \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  by hypothesis, then the column space of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) \oplus \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$ .

By Exercise 2.1.G(iii),

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rank}(A) &= \dim\left(\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right)\right) + \dim\left(\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)\right) = \\ &= \text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) + \text{rank}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right). \end{aligned}$$

□

## Theorem 3.3.4 (continued 4)

**Proof (continued).** (iv) Let  $C$  be the set of columns of  $A$ ,  $C_1$  the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $C_2$  the set of columns of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ . Then

$\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  is the column space of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  is the column space of  $\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ . So the column space of  $A$  is

$\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) + \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$ . Since  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) \perp \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$  by hypothesis, then the column space of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right) \oplus \mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$ .

By Exercise 2.1.G(iii),

$$\text{rank}(A) = \dim\left(\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{bmatrix}\right)\right) + \dim\left(\mathcal{V}\left(\begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)\right) =$$

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□

## Theorem 3.3.5

**Theorem 3.3.5.** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times k$  matrix and  $B$  be a  $k \times m$  matrix. Then  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min\{\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B)\}$ .

**Proof.** Let the columns of  $A$  be  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k$ , the columns of  $B$  be  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m$ , and the columns of  $AB$  be  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m$ .

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$$\text{rank}(AB) = \text{rank}((AB)^T) = \text{rank}(B^T A^T) \leq \text{rank}(B^T) = \text{rank}(B).$$

Therefore,  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min\{\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B)\}$ . □

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$$\text{rank}(AB) = \text{rank}((AB)^T) = \text{rank}(B^T A^T) \leq \text{rank}(B^T) = \text{rank}(B).$$

Therefore,  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min\{\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B)\}$ . □

## Theorem 3.3.6

**Theorem 3.3.6.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times m$  matrices. Then

$$|\text{rank}(A) - \text{rank}(B)| \leq \text{rank}(A + B) \leq \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B).$$

**Proof.** By Theorem 3.2.2 we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_m & 0 \\ I_m & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} AI_m + BI_m & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A + B & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(or, eliminating the 0 matrices as Gentle does,  $[A \mid B] \begin{bmatrix} I_m \\ I_m \end{bmatrix} = A + B$ ).

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(or, eliminating the 0 matrices as Gentle does,  $[A \mid B] \begin{bmatrix} I_m \\ I_m \end{bmatrix} = A + B$ ).

So by Theorem 3.3.5,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A + B & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) &\leq \min \left\{ \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right), \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} I_m & 0 \\ I_m & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right\} \\ &\leq \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right). \end{aligned}$$



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**Proof.** By Theorem 3.2.2 we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_m & 0 \\ I_m & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} AI_m + BI_m & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A + B & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(or, eliminating the 0 matrices as Gentle does,  $[A \mid B] \begin{bmatrix} I_m \\ I_m \end{bmatrix} = A + B$ ).

So by Theorem 3.3.5,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A + B & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) &\leq \min \left\{ \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right), \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} I_m & 0 \\ I_m & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right\} \\ &\leq \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right). \end{aligned}$$

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