

# Basic Properties of the Rank of Matrices over a Field

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**Summary.** In this paper I present selected properties of triangular matrices and basic properties of the rank of matrices over a field.

I define a submatrix as a matrix formed by selecting certain rows and columns from a bigger matrix. That is in my considerations, as an array, it is cut down to those entries constrained by row and column. Then I introduce the concept of the rank of a  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  by the condition:  $A$  has the rank  $r$  if and only if, there is a  $r \times r$  submatrix of  $A$  with a non-zero determinant, and for every  $k \times k$  submatrix of  $A$  with a non-zero determinant we have  $k \leq r$ .

At the end, I prove that the rank defined by the size of the biggest submatrix with a non-zero determinant of a matrix  $A$ , is the same as the maximal number of linearly independent rows of  $A$ .

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The articles [27], [10], [37], [23], [1], [2], [12], [38], [39], [7], [8], [3], [4], [24], [36], [31], [15], [6], [13], [28], [14], [41], [30], [19], [34], [42], [9], [22], [16], [11], [25], [40], [18], [20], [26], [33], [21], [17], [35], [32], [29], [43], and [5] provide the terminology and notation for this paper.

## 1. TRIANGULAR MATRICES

For simplicity, we use the following convention:  $x, X, Y$  are sets,  $D$  is a non empty set,  $i, j, k, m, n, m', n'$  are elements of  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $i_0, j_0, n_0, m_0$  are non zero elements of  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $K$  is a field,  $a, b$  are elements of  $K$ ,  $p$  is a finite sequence of elements of  $K$ , and  $M$  is a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ .

Next we state a number of propositions:

- (1) For every matrix  $A$  over  $D$  of dimension  $n \times m$  holds if  $n = 0$ , then  $m = 0$  iff  $\text{len } A = n$  and  $\text{width } A = m$ .
- (2) The following statements are equivalent
  - (i)  $M$  is a lower triangular matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ ,
  - (ii)  $M^T$  is an upper triangular matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ .
- (3) The diagonal of  $M =$  the diagonal of  $M^T$ .
- (4) Let  $p_1$  be an element of the permutations of  $n$ -element set. Suppose  $p_1 \neq \text{idseq}(n)$ . Then there exists  $i$  such that  $i \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $p_1(i) > i$  and there exists  $j$  such that  $j \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $p_1(j) < j$ .
- (5) Let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$  and  $p_1$  be an element of the permutations of  $n$ -element set. Suppose that
  - (i)  $p_1 \neq \text{idseq}(n)$ , and
  - (ii)  $M$  is a lower triangular matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$  or an upper triangular matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ .
 Then (the product on paths of  $M$ )( $p_1$ ) =  $0_K$ .
- (6) Let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$  and  $I$  be an element of the permutations of  $n$ -element set. If  $I = \text{idseq}(n)$ , then the diagonal of  $M = I\text{-Path } M$ .
- (7) Let  $M$  be an upper triangular matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ . Then  $\text{Det } M =$  (the multiplication of  $K$ )  $\otimes$  (the diagonal of  $M$ ).
- (8) Let  $M$  be a lower triangular matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ . Then  $\text{Det } M =$  (the multiplication of  $K$ )  $\otimes$  (the diagonal of  $M$ ).
- (9) For every finite set  $X$  and for every  $n$  holds
 
$$\overline{\overline{\{Y; Y \text{ ranges over subsets of } X: \text{card } Y = n\}}} = \binom{\text{card } X}{n}.$$
- (10)  $\overline{2\text{Set Seg } n} = \binom{n}{2}$ .
- (11) Let  $R$  be an element of the permutations of  $n$ -element set. If  $R = \text{Rev}(\text{idseq}(n))$ , then  $R$  is even iff  $\binom{n}{2} \bmod 2 = 0$ .
- (12) Let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$  and  $R$  be a permutation of  $\text{Seg } n$ . Suppose  $R = \text{Rev}(\text{idseq}(n))$  and for all  $i, j$  such that  $i \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $j \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $i + j \leq n$  holds  $M_{i,j} = 0_K$ . Then  $M \cdot R$  is an upper triangular matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ .
- (13) Let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$  and  $R$  be a permutation of  $\text{Seg } n$ . Suppose  $R = \text{Rev}(\text{idseq}(n))$  and for all  $i, j$  such that  $i \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $j \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $i + j > n + 1$  holds  $M_{i,j} = 0_K$ . Then  $M \cdot R$  is a lower triangular matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ .
- (14) Let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$  and  $R$  be an element of the permutations of  $n$ -element set. Suppose that
  - (i)  $R = \text{Rev}(\text{idseq}(n))$ , and
  - (ii) for all  $i, j$  such that  $i \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $j \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $i + j \leq n$  holds  $M_{i,j} = 0_K$  or for all  $i, j$  such that  $i \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $j \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $i + j > n + 1$

holds  $M_{i,j} = 0_K$ .

Then  $\text{Det } M = (-1)^{\text{sgn}(R)}$  (the multiplication of  $K \odot (R\text{-Path } M)$ ).

- (15) Let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$  and  $M_1, M_2$  be upper triangular matrices over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ . Suppose  $M = M_1 \cdot M_2$ . Then
  - (i)  $M$  is an upper triangular matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ , and
  - (ii) the diagonal of  $M = (\text{the diagonal of } M_1) \bullet (\text{the diagonal of } M_2)$ .
- (16) Let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$  and  $M_1, M_2$  be lower triangular matrices over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ . Suppose  $M = M_1 \cdot M_2$ . Then
  - (i)  $M$  is a lower triangular matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n$ , and
  - (ii) the diagonal of  $M = (\text{the diagonal of } M_1) \bullet (\text{the diagonal of } M_2)$ .

## 2. THE RANK OF MATRICES

Let  $D$  be a non empty set, let  $M$  be a matrix over  $D$ , let  $n, m$  be natural numbers, let  $n_1$  be an element of  $\mathbb{N}^n$ , and let  $m_1$  be an element of  $\mathbb{N}^m$ . The functor  $\text{Segm}(M, n_1, m_1)$  yielding a matrix over  $D$  of dimension  $n \times m$  is defined as follows:

(Def. 1) For all natural numbers  $i, j$  such that  $\langle i, j \rangle \in$  the indices of  $\text{Segm}(M, n_1, m_1)$  holds  $(\text{Segm}(M, n_1, m_1))_{i,j} = M_{n_1(i), m_1(j)}$ .

For simplicity, we follow the rules:  $A$  denotes a matrix over  $D$ ,  $A'$  denotes a matrix over  $D$  of dimension  $n' \times m'$ ,  $M'$  denotes a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n' \times m'$ ,  $n_1, n_2, n_3$  denote elements of  $\mathbb{N}^n$ ,  $m_1, m_2$  denote elements of  $\mathbb{N}^m$ , and  $M$  denotes a matrix over  $K$ .

Next we state a number of propositions:

- (17) If  $\{ \text{rng } n_1, \text{rng } m_1 \} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A$ , then  $\langle i, j \rangle \in$  the indices of  $\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1)$  iff  $\langle n_1(i), m_1(j) \rangle \in$  the indices of  $A$ .
- (18) If  $\{ \text{rng } n_1, \text{rng } m_1 \} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A$  and  $n = 0$  iff  $m = 0$ , then  $(\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1))^T = \text{Segm}(A^T, m_1, n_1)$ .
- (19) If  $\{ \text{rng } n_1, \text{rng } m_1 \} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A$  and if  $m = 0$ , then  $n = 0$ , then  $\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1) = (\text{Segm}(A^T, m_1, n_1))^T$ .
- (20) For every matrix  $A$  over  $D$  of dimension 1 holds  $A = \langle \langle A_{1,1} \rangle \rangle$ .
- (21) If  $n = 1$  and  $m = 1$ , then  $\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1) = \langle \langle A_{n_1(1), m_1(1)} \rangle \rangle$ .
- (22) For every matrix  $A$  over  $D$  of dimension 2 holds  $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{1,1} & A_{1,2} \\ A_{2,1} & A_{2,2} \end{pmatrix}$ .
- (23) If  $n = 2$  and  $m = 2$ , then  $\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1) = \begin{pmatrix} A_{n_1(1), m_1(1)} & A_{n_1(1), m_1(2)} \\ A_{n_1(2), m_1(1)} & A_{n_1(2), m_1(2)} \end{pmatrix}$ .
- (24) If  $i \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $\text{rng } m_1 \subseteq \text{Seg width } A$ , then  $\text{Line}(\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1), i) = \text{Line}(A, n_1(i)) \cdot m_1$ .

- (25) If  $i \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $j \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $n_1(i) = n_1(j)$ , then  $\text{Line}(\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1), i) = \text{Line}(\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1), j)$ .
- (26) If  $i \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $j \in \text{Seg } n$  and  $n_1(i) = n_1(j)$  and  $i \neq j$ , then  $\text{Det Segm}(M, n_1, n_2) = 0_K$ .
- (27) If  $n_1$  is not one-to-one, then  $\text{Det Segm}(M, n_1, n_2) = 0_K$ .
- (28) If  $j \in \text{Seg } m$  and  $\text{rng } n_1 \subseteq \text{Seg len } A$ , then  $(\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1))_{\square, j} = A_{\square, m_1(j)} \cdot n_1$ .
- (29) If  $i \in \text{Seg } m$  and  $j \in \text{Seg } m$  and  $m_1(i) = m_1(j)$ , then  $(\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1))_{\square, i} = (\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1))_{\square, j}$ .
- (30) If  $i \in \text{Seg } m$  and  $j \in \text{Seg } m$  and  $m_1(i) = m_1(j)$  and  $i \neq j$ , then  $\text{Det Segm}(M, m_2, m_1) = 0_K$ .
- (31) If  $m_1$  is not one-to-one, then  $\text{Det Segm}(M, m_2, m_1) = 0_K$ .
- (32) Let  $n_1, n_2$  be elements of  $\mathbb{N}^n$ . Suppose  $n_1$  is one-to-one and  $n_2$  is one-to-one and  $\text{rng } n_1 = \text{rng } n_2$ . Then there exists a permutation  $p_1$  of  $\text{Seg } n$  such that  $n_2 = n_1 \cdot p_1$ .
- (33) For every function  $f$  from  $\text{Seg } n$  into  $\text{Seg } n$  such that  $n_2 = n_1 \cdot f$  holds  $\text{Segm}(A, n_2, m_1) = \text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1) \cdot f$ .
- (34) For every function  $f$  from  $\text{Seg } m$  into  $\text{Seg } m$  such that  $m_2 = m_1 \cdot f$  holds  $(\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_2))^T = (\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1))^T \cdot f$ .
- (35) Let  $p_1$  be an element of the permutations of  $n$ -element set. If  $n_2 = n_3 \cdot p_1$ , then  $\text{Det Segm}(M, n_2, n_1) = (-1)^{\text{sgn}(p_1)} \text{Det Segm}(M, n_3, n_1)$  and  $\text{Det Segm}(M, n_1, n_2) = (-1)^{\text{sgn}(p_1)} \text{Det Segm}(M, n_1, n_3)$ .
- (36) For all elements  $n_1, n_2, n'_1, n'_2$  of  $\mathbb{N}^n$  such that  $\text{rng } n_1 = \text{rng } n'_1$  and  $\text{rng } n_2 = \text{rng } n'_2$  holds  $\text{Det Segm}(M, n_1, n_2) = \text{Det Segm}(M, n'_1, n'_2)$  or  $\text{Det Segm}(M, n_1, n_2) = -\text{Det Segm}(M, n'_1, n'_2)$ .
- (37) Let  $F, F_1$  be finite sequences of elements of  $D$  and given  $n_1, m_1$ . Suppose  $\text{len } F = \text{width } A'$  and  $F_1 = F \cdot m_1$  and  $\{\text{rng } n_1, \text{rng } m_1\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A'$ . Let given  $i, j$ . If  $n_1^{-1}(\{j\}) = \{i\}$ , then  $\text{RLine}(\text{Segm}(A', n_1, m_1), i, F_1) = \text{Segm}(\text{RLine}(A', j, F), n_1, m_1)$ .
- (38) Let  $F$  be a finite sequence of elements of  $D$  and given  $i, n_1$ . If  $i \notin \text{rng } n_1$  and  $\{\text{rng } n_1, \text{rng } m_1\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A'$ , then  $\text{Segm}(A', n_1, m_1) = \text{Segm}(\text{RLine}(A', i, F), n_1, m_1)$ .
- (39) If  $i \in \text{Seg } n'$  and  $i \in \text{rng } n_1$  and  $\{\text{rng } n_1, \text{rng } m_1\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A'$ , then there exists  $n_2$  such that  $\text{rng } n_2 = (\text{rng } n_1 \setminus \{i\}) \cup \{j\}$  and  $\text{Segm}(\text{RLine}(A', i, \text{Line}(A', j)), n_1, m_1) = \text{Segm}(A', n_2, m_1)$ .
- (40) For every finite sequence  $F$  of elements of  $D$  such that  $i \notin \text{Seg len } A'$  holds  $\text{RLine}(A', i, F) = A'$ .

Let  $n, m$  be natural numbers, let  $K$  be a field, let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $n \times m$ , and let  $a$  be an element of  $K$ . Then  $a \cdot M$  is a matrix over

$K$  of dimension  $n \times m$ .

We now state two propositions:

- (41) If  $[\text{rng } n_1, \text{rng } m_1] \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$ , then  $a \cdot \text{Segm}(M, n_1, m_1) = \text{Segm}(a \cdot M, n_1, m_1)$ .
- (42) If  $n_1 = \text{idseq}(\text{len } A)$  and  $m_1 = \text{idseq}(\text{width } A)$ , then  $\text{Segm}(A, n_1, m_1) = A$ .

Let us observe that there exists a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  which is empty, without zero, and finite and there exists a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  which is non empty, without zero, and finite.

Let us consider  $n$ . Observe that  $\text{Seg } n$  is without zero.

Let  $X$  be a without zero set and let  $Y$  be a set. One can verify that  $X \setminus Y$  is without zero and  $X \cap Y$  is without zero.

One can prove the following proposition

- (43) For every finite without zero subset  $N$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  there exists  $k$  such that  $N \subseteq \text{Seg } k$ .

Let  $N$  be a finite without zero subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\text{Sgm } N$  is an element of  $\mathbb{N}^{\text{card } N}$ .

Let  $D$  be a non empty set, let  $A$  be a matrix over  $D$ , and let  $P, Q$  be without zero finite subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$ . The functor  $\text{Segm}(A, P, Q)$  yields a matrix over  $D$  of dimension  $\text{card } P \times \text{card } Q$  and is defined by:

(Def. 2)  $\text{Segm}(A, P, Q) = \text{Segm}(A, \text{Sgm } P, \text{Sgm } Q)$ .

Next we state two propositions:

- (44)  $\text{Segm}(A, \{i_0\}, \{j_0\}) = \langle\langle A_{i_0, j_0} \rangle\rangle$ .
- (45) If  $i_0 < j_0$  and  $n_0 < m_0$ , then  $\text{Segm}(A, \{i_0, j_0\}, \{n_0, m_0\}) = \begin{pmatrix} A_{i_0, n_0} & A_{i_0, m_0} \\ A_{j_0, n_0} & A_{j_0, m_0} \end{pmatrix}$ .

In the sequel  $P, P_1, P_2, Q, Q_1, Q_2$  are without zero finite subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

The following propositions are true:

- (46)  $\text{Segm}(A, \text{Seg len } A, \text{Seg width } A) = A$ .
- (47) If  $i \in \text{Seg card } P$  and  $Q \subseteq \text{Seg width } A$ , then  $\text{Line}(\text{Segm}(A, P, Q), i) = \text{Line}(A, (\text{Sgm } P)(i)) \cdot \text{Sgm } Q$ .
- (48) If  $i \in \text{Seg card } P$ , then  $\text{Line}(\text{Segm}(A, P, \text{Seg width } A), i) = \text{Line}(A, (\text{Sgm } P)(i))$ .
- (49) If  $j \in \text{Seg card } Q$  and  $P \subseteq \text{Seg len } A$ , then  $(\text{Segm}(A, P, Q))_{\square, j} = A_{\square, (\text{Sgm } Q)(j)} \cdot \text{Sgm } P$ .
- (50) If  $j \in \text{Seg card } Q$ , then  $(\text{Segm}(A, \text{Seg len } A, Q))_{\square, j} = A_{\square, (\text{Sgm } Q)(j)}$ .
- (51)  $\text{Segm}(A, \text{Seg len } A \setminus \{i\}, \text{Seg width } A) = A_{\setminus i}$ .
- (52)  $\text{Segm}(M, \text{Seg len } M, \text{Seg width } M \setminus \{i\}) =$  the deleting of  $i$ -column in  $M$ .
- (53)  $(\text{Sgm } P)^{-1}(X)$  is a without zero finite subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

- (54) If  $X \subseteq P$ , then  $\text{Sgm } X = \text{Sgm } P \cdot \text{Sgm}((\text{Sgm } P)^{-1}(X))$ .
- (55)  $\{(\text{Sgm } P)^{-1}(X), (\text{Sgm } Q)^{-1}(Y)\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $\text{Segm}(A, P, Q)$ .
- (56) If  $P \subseteq P_1$  and  $Q \subseteq Q_1$  and  $P_2 = (\text{Sgm } P_1)^{-1}(P)$  and  $Q_2 = (\text{Sgm } Q_1)^{-1}(Q)$ , then  $\{\text{rng Sgm } P_2, \text{rng Sgm } Q_2\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $\text{Segm}(A, P_1, Q_1)$  and  $\text{Segm}(\text{Segm}(A, P_1, Q_1), P_2, Q_2) = \text{Segm}(A, P, Q)$ .
- (57) Suppose  $P = \emptyset$  iff  $Q = \emptyset$  and  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $\text{Segm}(A, P_1, Q_1)$ . Then there exist  $P_2, Q_2$  such that  $P_2 \subseteq P_1$  and  $Q_2 \subseteq Q_1$  and  $P_2 = (\text{Sgm } P_1)^\circ P$  and  $Q_2 = (\text{Sgm } Q_1)^\circ Q$  and  $\text{card } P_2 = \text{card } P$  and  $\text{card } Q_2 = \text{card } Q$  and  $\text{Segm}(\text{Segm}(A, P_1, Q_1), P, Q) = \text{Segm}(A, P_2, Q_2)$ .
- (58) For every matrix  $M$  over  $K$  of dimension  $n$  holds  $\text{Segm}(M, \text{Seg } n \setminus \{i\}, \text{Seg } n \setminus \{j\}) =$  the deleting of  $i$ -row and  $j$ -column in  $M$ .
- (59) Let  $F, F_2$  be finite sequences of elements of  $D$ . Suppose  $\text{len } F =$  width  $A'$  and  $F_2 = F \cdot \text{Sgm } Q$  and  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A'$ . Then  $\text{RLine}(\text{Segm}(A', P, Q), i, F_2) = \text{Segm}(\text{RLine}(A', (\text{Sgm } P)(i), F), P, Q)$ .
- (60) Let  $F$  be a finite sequence of elements of  $D$  and given  $i, P$ . If  $i \notin P$  and  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A'$ , then  $\text{Segm}(A', P, Q) = \text{Segm}(\text{RLine}(A', i, F), P, Q)$ .
- (61) If  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A$  and  $\text{card } P = 0$  iff  $\text{card } Q = 0$ , then  $(\text{Segm}(A, P, Q))^T = \text{Segm}(A^T, Q, P)$ .
- (62) If  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A$  and if  $\text{card } Q = 0$ , then  $\text{card } P = 0$ , then  $\text{Segm}(A, P, Q) = (\text{Segm}(A^T, Q, P))^T$ .
- (63) If  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$ , then  $a \cdot \text{Segm}(M, P, Q) = \text{Segm}(a \cdot M, P, Q)$ .

Let  $D$  be a non empty set, let  $A$  be a matrix over  $D$ , and let  $P, Q$  be without zero finite subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Let us assume that  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$ . The functor  $\text{EqSegm}(A, P, Q)$  yields a matrix over  $D$  of dimension  $\text{card } P$  and is defined by:

(Def. 3)  $\text{EqSegm}(A, P, Q) = \text{Segm}(A, P, Q)$ .

Next we state several propositions:

- (64) For all  $P, Q, i, j$  such that  $i \in \text{Seg card } P$  and  $j \in \text{Seg card } P$  and  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$  holds  $\text{Delete}(\text{EqSegm}(M, P, Q), i, j) = \text{EqSegm}(M, P \setminus \{(\text{Sgm } P)(i)\}, Q \setminus \{(\text{Sgm } Q)(j)\})$  and  $\text{card}(P \setminus \{(\text{Sgm } P)(i)\}) = \text{card}(Q \setminus \{(\text{Sgm } Q)(j)\})$ .
- (65) For all  $M, P, P_1, Q_1$  such that  $\text{card } P_1 = \text{card } Q_1$  and  $P \subseteq P_1$  and  $\text{Det EqSegm}(M, P_1, Q_1) \neq 0_K$  there exists  $Q$  such that  $Q \subseteq Q_1$  and  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$  and  $\text{Det EqSegm}(M, P, Q) \neq 0_K$ .
- (66) For all  $M, P_1, Q, Q_1$  such that  $\text{card } P_1 = \text{card } Q_1$  and  $Q \subseteq Q_1$  and  $\text{Det EqSegm}(M, P_1, Q_1) \neq 0_K$  there exists  $P$  such that  $P \subseteq P_1$  and  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$  and  $\text{Det EqSegm}(M, P, Q) \neq 0_K$ .
- (67) If  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$ , then  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A$  iff  $P \subseteq \text{Seg len } A$

and  $Q \subseteq \text{Seg width } A$ .

- (68) Let given  $P, Q, i, j_0$ . Suppose  $i \in \text{Seg } n'$  and  $j_0 \in \text{Seg } n'$  and  $i \in P$  and  $j_0 \notin P$  and  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$  and  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M'$ . Then  $\text{card } P = \text{card}((P \setminus \{i\}) \cup \{j_0\})$  but  $\{(P \setminus \{i\}) \cup \{j_0\}, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M'$  but  $\text{Det EqSegm}(\text{RLine}(M', i, \text{Line}(M', j_0)), P, Q) = \text{Det EqSegm}(M', (P \setminus \{i\}) \cup \{j_0\}, Q)$  or  $\text{Det EqSegm}(\text{RLine}(M', i, \text{Line}(M', j_0)), P, Q) = -\text{Det EqSegm}(M', (P \setminus \{i\}) \cup \{j_0\}, Q)$ .
- (69) If  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$ , then  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A$  iff  $\{Q, P\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $A^T$ .
- (70) If  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$  and  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$ , then  $\text{Det EqSegm}(M, P, Q) = \text{Det EqSegm}(M^T, Q, P)$ .
- (71) For every matrix  $M$  over  $K$  of dimension  $n$  holds  $\text{Det}(a \cdot M) = \text{power}_K(a, n) \cdot \text{Det } M$ .
- (72) If  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$  and  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$ , then  $\text{Det EqSegm}(a \cdot M, P, Q) = \text{power}_K(a, \text{card } P) \cdot \text{Det EqSegm}(M, P, Q)$ .

Let  $K$  be a field and let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$ . The functor  $\text{rk}(M)$  yielding an element of  $\mathbb{N}$  is defined by the conditions (Def. 4).

- (Def. 4)(i) There exist  $P, Q$  such that  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$  and  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$  and  $\text{card } P = \text{rk}(M)$  and  $\text{Det EqSegm}(M, P, Q) \neq 0_K$ , and
- (ii) for all  $P_1, Q_1$  such that  $\{P_1, Q_1\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$  and  $\text{card } P_1 = \text{card } Q_1$  and  $\text{Det EqSegm}(M, P_1, Q_1) \neq 0_K$  holds  $\text{card } P_1 \leq \text{rk}(M)$ .

The following propositions are true:

- (73) For all  $P, Q$  such that  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$  and  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$  holds  $\text{card } P \leq \text{len } M$  and  $\text{card } Q \leq \text{width } M$ .
- (74)  $\text{rk}(M) \leq \text{len } M$  and  $\text{rk}(M) \leq \text{width } M$ .
- (75) If  $\{\text{rng } n_2, \text{rng } n_3\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$  and  $\text{Det Segm}(M, n_2, n_3) \neq 0_K$ , then there exist  $P_1, P_2$  such that  $P_1 = \text{rng } n_2$  and  $P_2 = \text{rng } n_3$  and  $\text{card } P_1 = \text{card } P_2$  and  $\text{card } P_1 = n$  and  $\text{Det EqSegm}(M, P_1, P_2) \neq 0_K$ .
- (76) Let  $R_1$  be an element of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\text{rk}(M) = R_1$  if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:
  - (i) there exist elements  $r_1, r_2$  of  $\mathbb{N}^{R_1}$  such that  $\{\text{rng } r_1, \text{rng } r_2\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$  and  $\text{Det Segm}(M, r_1, r_2) \neq 0_K$ , and
  - (ii) for all  $n, n_2, n_3$  such that  $\{\text{rng } n_2, \text{rng } n_3\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$  and  $\text{Det Segm}(M, n_2, n_3) \neq 0_K$  holds  $n \leq R_1$ .
- (77) If  $n = 0$  or  $m = 0$ , then  $\text{rk}(\text{Segm}(M, n_1, m_1)) = 0$ .
- (78) If  $\{\text{rng } n_1, \text{rng } m_1\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$ , then  $\text{rk}(M) \geq \text{rk}(\text{Segm}(M, n_1, m_1))$ .
- (79) If  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$ , then  $\text{rk}(M) \geq \text{rk}(\text{Segm}(M, P, Q))$ .
- (80) If  $P \subseteq P_1$  and  $Q \subseteq Q_1$ , then  $\text{rk}(\text{Segm}(M, P, Q)) \leq \text{rk}(\text{Segm}(M, P_1, Q_1))$ .

- (81) For all functions  $f, g$  such that  $\text{rng } f \subseteq \text{rng } g$  there exists a function  $h$  such that  $\text{dom } h = \text{dom } f$  and  $\text{rng } h \subseteq \text{dom } g$  and  $f = g \cdot h$ .
- (82) If  $[\text{rng } n_1, \text{rng } m_1]$  = the indices of  $M$ , then  $\text{rk}(M) = \text{rk}(\text{Segm}(M, n_1, m_1))$ .
- (83) For every matrix  $M$  over  $K$  of dimension  $n$  holds  $\text{rk}(M) = n$  iff  $\text{Det } M \neq 0_K$ .
- (84)  $\text{rk}(M) = \text{rk}(M^T)$ .
- (85) For every matrix  $M$  over  $K$  of dimension  $n \times m$  and for every permutation  $F$  of  $\text{Seg } n$  holds  $\text{rk}(M) = \text{rk}(M \cdot F)$ .
- (86) If  $a \neq 0_K$ , then  $\text{rk}(M) = \text{rk}(a \cdot M)$ .
- (87) Let  $p, p_2$  be finite sequences of elements of  $K$  and  $f$  be a function. If  $p_2 = p \cdot f$  and  $\text{rng } f \subseteq \text{dom } p$ , then  $a \cdot p \cdot f = a \cdot p_2$ .
- (88) Let  $p, p_2, q, q_1$  be finite sequences of elements of  $K$  and  $f$  be a function. If  $p_2 = p \cdot f$  and  $\text{rng } f \subseteq \text{dom } p$  and  $q_1 = q \cdot f$  and  $\text{rng } f \subseteq \text{dom } q$ , then  $(p + q) \cdot f = p_2 + q_1$ .
- (89) If  $a \neq 0_K$ , then  $\text{rk}(M') = \text{rk}(\text{RLine}(M', i, a \cdot \text{Line}(M', i)))$ .
- (90) If  $\text{Line}(M, i) = \text{width } M \mapsto 0_K$ , then  $\text{rk}(\text{the deleting of } i\text{-row in } M) = \text{rk}(M)$ .
- (91) For every  $p$  such that  $\text{len } p = \text{width } M'$  holds  $\text{rk}(\text{the deleting of } i\text{-row in } M') = \text{rk}(\text{RLine}(M', i, 0_K \cdot p))$ .
- (92) If  $j \in \text{Seg len } M'$  and if  $i = j$ , then  $a \neq -1_K$ , then  $\text{rk}(M') = \text{rk}(\text{RLine}(M', i, \text{Line}(M', i) + a \cdot \text{Line}(M', j)))$ .
- (93) If  $j \in \text{Seg len } M'$  and  $j \neq i$ , then  $\text{rk}(\text{the deleting of } i\text{-row in } M') = \text{rk}(\text{RLine}(M', i, a \cdot \text{Line}(M', j)))$ .
- (94)  $\text{rk}(M) > 0$  iff there exist  $i, j$  such that  $\langle i, j \rangle \in$  the indices of  $M$  and  $M_{i,j} \neq 0_K$ .

$$(95) \quad \text{rk}(M) = 0 \text{ iff } M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{K}^{(\text{len } M) \times (\text{width } M)}.$$

- (96)  $\text{rk}(M) = 1$  if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:
- (i) there exist  $i, j$  such that  $\langle i, j \rangle \in$  the indices of  $M$  and  $M_{i,j} \neq 0_K$ , and
  - (ii) for all  $i_0, j_0, n_0, m_0$  such that  $i_0 \neq j_0$  and  $n_0 \neq m_0$  and  $[\{i_0, j_0\}, \{n_0, m_0\}] \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$  holds  $\text{Det EqSegm}(M, \{i_0, j_0\}, \{n_0, m_0\}) = 0_K$ .
- (97)  $\text{rk}(M) = 1$  if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:
- (i) there exist  $i, j$  such that  $\langle i, j \rangle \in$  the indices of  $M$  and  $M_{i,j} \neq 0_K$ , and
  - (ii) for all  $i, j, n, m$  such that  $[\{i, j\}, \{n, m\}] \subseteq$  the indices of  $M$  holds  $M_{i,n} \cdot M_{j,m} = M_{i,m} \cdot M_{j,n}$ .

- (98)  $\text{rk}(M) = 1$  if and only if there exists  $i$  such that  $i \in \text{Seg len } M$  and there exists  $j$  such that  $j \in \text{Seg width } M$  and  $M_{i,j} \neq 0_K$  and for every  $k$  such that  $k \in \text{Seg len } M$  there exists  $a$  such that  $\text{Line}(M, k) = a \cdot \text{Line}(M, i)$ .

Let us consider  $K$ . Observe that there exists a matrix over  $K$  which is diagonal.

One can prove the following propositions:

- (99) Let  $M$  be a diagonal matrix over  $K$  and  $N_1$  be a set. Suppose  $N_1 = \{i : \langle i, i \rangle \in \text{the indices of } M \wedge M_{i,i} \neq 0_K\}$ . Let given  $P, Q$ . If  $\{P, Q\} \subseteq \text{the indices of } M$  and  $\text{card } P = \text{card } Q$  and  $\text{Det EqSegm}(M, P, Q) \neq 0_K$ , then  $P \subseteq N_1$  and  $Q \subseteq N_1$ .
- (100) For every diagonal matrix  $M$  over  $K$  and for every  $P$  such that  $\{P, P\} \subseteq \text{the indices of } M$  holds  $\text{Segm}(M, P, P)$  is diagonal.
- (101) Let  $M$  be a diagonal matrix over  $K$  and  $N_1$  be a set. If  $N_1 = \{i : \langle i, i \rangle \in \text{the indices of } M \wedge M_{i,i} \neq 0_K\}$ , then  $\text{rk}(M) = \overline{\overline{N_1}}$ .

For simplicity, we adopt the following rules:  $v, v_1, v_2, u$  denote vectors of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$ ,  $t, t_1, t_2$  denote elements of (the carrier of  $K$ ) <sup>$n$</sup> ,  $L$  denotes a linear combination of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$ , and  $M, M_1$  denote matrices over  $K$  of dimension  $m \times n$ .

We now state the proposition

- (102)(i) The carrier of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K = (\text{the carrier of } K)^n$ ,
- (ii)  $0_{\text{the } n\text{-dimension vector space over } K} = n \mapsto 0_K$ ,
- (iii) if  $t_1 = v_1$  and  $t_2 = v_2$ , then  $t_1 + t_2 = v_1 + v_2$ , and
- (iv) if  $t = v$ , then  $a \cdot t = a \cdot v$ .

Let us consider  $K, n$ . Then the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$  is a strict vector space over  $K$ .

Let us consider  $K, n$ . One can verify that every vector of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$  is function-like and relation-like.

Let us consider  $K, m, n$  and let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $m \times n$ . We introduce  $\text{lines}(M)$  as a synonym of  $\text{rng } M$ . We introduce  $M$  is without repeated line as a synonym of  $M$  is one-to-one.

Let  $K$  be a field, let us consider  $m, n$ , and let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $m \times n$ . Then  $\text{lines}(M)$  is a subset of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$ .

Next we state two propositions:

- (103)  $x \in \text{lines}(M)$  iff there exists  $i$  such that  $i \in \text{Seg } m$  and  $x = \text{Line}(M, i)$ .
- (104) Let  $V$  be a finite subset of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$ . Then there exists a matrix  $M$  over  $K$  of dimension  $\text{card } V \times n$  such that  $M$  is without repeated line and  $\text{lines}(M) = V$ .

Let us consider  $K$ ,  $n$  and let  $F$  be a finite sequence of elements of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$ . The functor  $\text{FinS2MX } F$  yielding a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $\text{len } F \times n$  is defined by:

(Def. 5)  $\text{FinS2MX } F = F$ .

Let us consider  $K$ ,  $m$ ,  $n$  and let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $m \times n$ . The functor  $\text{MX2FinS } M$  yielding a finite sequence of elements of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$  is defined as follows:

(Def. 6)  $\text{MX2FinS } M = M$ .

One can prove the following propositions:

(105) If  $\text{rk}(M) = m$ , then  $M$  is without repeated line.

(106) If  $i \in \text{Seg len } M$  and  $a = L(M(i))$ , then  
 $\text{Line}(\text{FinS2MX}(L \text{ MX2FinS } M), i) = a \cdot \text{Line}(M, i)$ .

(107) If  $M$  is without repeated line and the support of  $L \subseteq \text{lines}(M)$  and  $i \in \text{Seg } n$ , then  $(\sum L)(i) = \sum((\text{FinS2MX}(L \text{ MX2FinS } M))_{\square, i})$ .

(108) Let given  $M, M_1$ . Suppose  $M$  is without repeated line and for every  $i$  such that  $i \in \text{Seg } m$  there exists  $a$  such that  $\text{Line}(M_1, i) = a \cdot \text{Line}(M, i)$ . Then there exists a linear combination  $L$  of  $\text{lines}(M)$  such that  $L \text{ MX2FinS } M = M_1$ .

(109) Let given  $M$ . Suppose  $M$  is without repeated line. Then for every  $i$  such that  $i \in \text{Seg } m$  holds  $\text{Line}(M, i) \neq n \mapsto 0_K$  and for every  $M_1$  such that for every  $i$  such that  $i \in \text{Seg } m$  there exists  $a$  such that  $\text{Line}(M_1, i) = a \cdot \text{Line}(M, i)$  and for every  $j$  such that  $j \in \text{Seg } n$  holds  $\sum((M_1)_{\square, j}) =$

$$0_K \text{ holds } M_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{m \times n} \text{ if and only if } \text{lines}(M) \text{ is linearly}$$

independent.

(110) If  $\text{rk}(M) = m$ , then  $\text{lines}(M)$  is linearly independent.

(111) Let  $M$  be a diagonal  $n$ -dimensional matrix over  $K$ . Suppose  $\text{rk}(M) = n$ . Then  $\text{lines}(M)$  is a basis of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$ .

Let us consider  $K$ ,  $n$ . Then the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$  is a strict finite dimensional vector space over  $K$ .

The following propositions are true:

(112)  $\dim(\text{the } n\text{-dimension vector space over } K) = n$ .

(113) Let given  $M, i, a$ . Suppose that for every  $j$  such that  $j \in \text{Seg } m$  holds  $M_{j, i} = a$ . Then  $M$  is without repeated line if and only if  $\text{Segm}(M, \text{Seg len } M, \text{Seg width } M \setminus \{i\})$  is without repeated line.

(114) Let given  $M, i$ . Suppose  $M$  is without repeated line and  $\text{lines}(M)$  is linearly independent and for every  $j$  such that  $j \in \text{Seg } m$  holds  $M_{j, i} = 0_K$ . Then  $\text{lines}(\text{Segm}(M, \text{Seg len } M, \text{Seg width } M \setminus \{i\}))$  is linearly independent.

- (115) Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $K$  and  $U$  be a finite subset of  $V$ . Suppose  $U$  is linearly independent. Let  $u, v$  be vectors of  $V$ . If  $u \in U$  and  $v \in U$  and  $u \neq v$ , then  $(U \setminus \{u\}) \cup \{u + a \cdot v\}$  is linearly independent.
- (116) Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $K$  and  $u, v$  be vectors of  $V$ . Then  $x \in \text{Lin}(\{u, v\})$  if and only if there exist  $a, b$  such that  $x = a \cdot u + b \cdot v$ .
- (117) Let given  $M$ . Suppose  $\text{lines}(M)$  is linearly independent and  $M$  is without repeated line. Let given  $i, j$ . Suppose  $j \in \text{Seg len } M$  and  $i \neq j$ . Then  $\text{RLine}(M, i, \text{Line}(M, i) + a \cdot \text{Line}(M, j))$  is without repeated line and  $\text{lines}(\text{RLine}(M, i, \text{Line}(M, i) + a \cdot \text{Line}(M, j)))$  is linearly independent.
- (118) If  $P \subseteq \text{Seg } m$ , then  $\text{lines}(\text{Segm}(M, P, \text{Seg } n)) \subseteq \text{lines}(M)$ .
- (119) If  $P \subseteq \text{Seg } m$  and  $\text{lines}(M)$  is linearly independent, then  $\text{lines}(\text{Segm}(M, P, \text{Seg } n))$  is linearly independent.
- (120) If  $P \subseteq \text{Seg } m$  and  $M$  is without repeated line, then  $\text{Segm}(M, P, \text{Seg } n)$  is without repeated line.
- (121) Let  $M$  be a matrix over  $K$  of dimension  $m \times n$ . Then  $\text{lines}(M)$  is linearly independent and  $M$  is without repeated line if and only if  $\text{rk}(M) = m$ .
- (122) Let  $U$  be a subset of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$ . Suppose  $U \subseteq \text{lines}(M)$ . Then there exists  $P$  such that  $P \subseteq \text{Seg } m$  and  $\text{lines}(\text{Segm}(M, P, \text{Seg } n)) = U$  and  $\text{Segm}(M, P, \text{Seg } n)$  is without repeated line.
- (123) Let  $R_1$  be an element of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\text{rk}(M) = R_1$  if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:
- (i) there exists a finite subset  $U$  of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$  such that  $U$  is linearly independent and  $U \subseteq \text{lines}(M)$  and  $\text{card } U = R_1$ , and
  - (ii) for every finite subset  $W$  of the  $n$ -dimension vector space over  $K$  such that  $W$  is linearly independent and  $W \subseteq \text{lines}(M)$  holds  $\text{card } W \leq R_1$ .

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