

Onto / one-to-one

$$T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \text{ by } T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$$

So A is $m \times n$

$$\begin{cases} m = \# \text{ of rows} \\ n = \# \text{ of columns} \end{cases}$$

Theorem:

1. $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ is onto if and only if the columns of A span \mathbb{R}^m

means we need at least m columns (ie: $n \geq m$)

2. $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ is one-to-one if and only if the columns of A are linearly independent.

means we can't have any more than m columns (ie: $n \leq m$)

So, for T to be both 1-to-1 and onto, we need $n = m$
or we must have a square matrix.

3 situations:

$$\boxed{n < m}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{columns are } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

these vectors can't span \mathbb{R}^3 since ~~they're~~ there's only 2 of them, but they ~~could be~~ are linearly independent (ie: not onto)

$$\boxed{n = m}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{columns are } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

these vectors might be able span \mathbb{R}^2 ~~are~~ are linearly independent (ie: 1-1 & onto)
 maybe 1-1 but ~~are~~ is

$$\boxed{n > m}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{columns: } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

not linearly independent, might span \mathbb{R}^2 so not 1-to-1 maybe onto