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## Question

If  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

find  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ . Hence solve the following system of equations

$$x + y + z = 6$$

$$x + 2z = 7$$

$$3x + y + z = 12$$

## Solution

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{I} \quad (1)$$

Forming Argumented Matrix

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad (2)$$

Replace  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad (3)$$

Replace  $R_2 \rightarrow -R_2$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 2R_2$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & -1 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad (4)$$

Repalce  $R_3 \leftarrow -\frac{1}{4}R_3$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{4} \end{array} \right) \quad (5)$$

Replace  $R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - 2R_3$ ,  $R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_3$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{5}{4} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{4} \end{array} \right) \quad (6)$$

Thus

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{5}{4} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (7)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b} \quad (8)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{5}{4} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} \quad (9)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (10)$$

