

- 1(a) (i) In the corresponding augmented matrix, there cannot be a leading entry for all the variables

or

The number of equations is less than the number of unknowns.

- (ii) In augmented matrix form

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 4 & 2k & 2 \\ 2 & k & 8 & 3 \end{array} \right] R_2 - R_1 \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 4 & 2k & 2 \\ 0 & k-4 & 8-2k & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

We observe that with  $k=4$  the second line reads  $0 \ 0 \ 0 \mid 1$  which is inconsistent, and so there is no solution.

- (iii) With  $k=5$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 4 & 10 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 & 3 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 4 & 10 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

No leading entry for  $x_3$ . Set  $x_3 = t$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Back substitution gives  $x_2 = 1 + 2t$

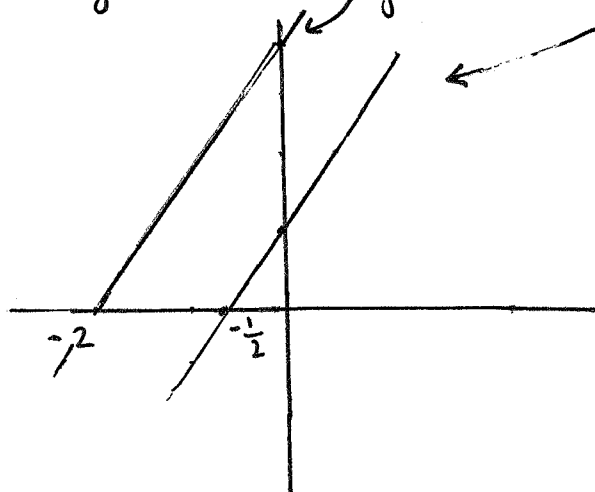
$$x_1 = 1 - 2x_2 - 5x_3 = -1 - 9t$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

(b)

$$-2x + y = 1 \Rightarrow y = 2x + 1$$

$$x - \frac{1}{2}y = -2 \Rightarrow y = 2x + 4$$



The lines are parallel.

2(a) Suppose  $B$  has size  $p \times q$

Then  $B^T$  has size  $q \times p$ .

To add matrices, they must be of the same size, and so we require

$$p = q$$

Hence  $B$  must be square.

(b) (i)  $XY = X_{3 \times 1} Y_{2 \times 3}$  not possible

$$(ii) YX = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) (i)  $CC^T = C_{p \times q} (C^T)_{q \times p} \Rightarrow p \times p$  in size

(ii)  $C^T C = (C^T)_{q \times p} C_{p \times q} \Rightarrow q \times q$  in size

(iii)  $\text{rank } C \leq \min\{p, q\} = q$ .

3(a)

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2+R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
 & \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 - R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
 & \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow -R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $M^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(b)

We observe

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = M^T$$

In general

$$(M^T)^{-1} = (M^{-1})^T$$

So we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) \det M^3 = (\det M)^3 = -1$$

(after reading  
off that  
 $\det M = -1$   
from (a))

4 (a) (i) Write  $\vec{A} = (1, -1, 2)$ ,  $\vec{B} = (-2, 1, 1)$ ,  $\vec{C} = (1, 2, 3)$ .

Then  $\vec{BA} = (-2, 1, 1) - (1, -1, 2) = (-3, 2, -1)$

$$\vec{CA} = (1, 2, 3) - (1, -1, 2) = (0, 3, 1)$$

We have

$$\text{area of the triangle} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \text{area of the parallelogram defined by } \vec{BA}, \vec{CA} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \|\vec{BA} \times \vec{CA}\|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \vec{BA} \times \vec{CA} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -3 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &\quad + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 9\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\vec{BA} \times \vec{CA}\| = \sqrt{25 + 9 + 81} = \sqrt{115}$$

$$\therefore \text{Area of the triangle} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{115}$$

$$(b) (i) \quad \underline{u} \times \underline{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

(ii) Expanding (i),

$$\underline{u} \times \underline{v} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} u_2 & u_3 \\ v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ v_1 & v_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \underline{a} \cdot (\underline{u} \times \underline{v}) &= a_1 \begin{vmatrix} u_2 & u_3 \\ v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} - a_2 \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} + a_3 \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ v_1 & v_2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

We know  $|\underline{a} \cdot (\underline{u} \times \underline{v})| = \text{volume of the parallelepiped specified by the vectors } \underline{a}, \underline{u}, \underline{v}.$

5 (a) Let  $s_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $s_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Then  $\det s_1 = \det s_2 = 0$  and so  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ .

On the other hand

$$s_1 + s_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so } \det(s_1 + s_2) = 1 \neq 0$$

which says  $s_1 + s_2 \notin S$  and so  $S$  is not closed under vector addition. It therefore is not a subspace.

(b) Since  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a \\ a & 0 \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

we see that

$$R = \text{Span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

All spans are subspaces so  $R$  is a subspace of  $M_{2,2}$ .

(c) Let  $r = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a \\ a & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  be an element of  $R$ .

Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  be a scalar.

Then  $\alpha r = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a\alpha \\ a\alpha & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -b \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in R$

with  $a\alpha = b$ . Hence  $R$  is closed under scalar multiplication.

6 (a)  $\underline{v}_1$  and  $\underline{v}_3$  belong to the column space

$$(b) \quad \underline{v}_1 = -\underline{a}_1 + 2\underline{a}_3 + 7\underline{a}_5$$

$$\underline{v}_3 = -\underline{a}_1 + \underline{a}_3 + 2\underline{a}_5$$

$$(c) \quad \left\{ (1, 1, 0, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, -1, 0), (0, 0, 0, 0, 1) \right\}$$

The row space has dimension 3.

(d) Columns 2 & 4 have no leading entry,  
so we set

$$x_4 = t, \quad x_2 = s \quad t, s \in \mathbb{R}$$

Back substitution gives

$$x_5 = 0$$

$$x_3 = x_4 = t$$

$$x_1 = -x_2 = -s$$

Hence

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -s \\ s \\ t \\ t \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

so the sought basis is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$7 \text{ (a) } R \circ S \circ T(1, 0)$$

$$= R \circ S(\sqrt{2}, 0) = R(1, 1) = (1, 1)$$

$$R \circ S \circ T(0, 1)$$

$$= R \circ S(0, \sqrt{2}) = R(-1, 1) = (1, -1)$$

Standard matrix rep. of  $R \circ S \circ T$

$$= \left[ [R \circ S \circ T(1, 0)]_S \quad [R \circ S \circ T(0, 1)]_S \right]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) The lines  $y=x$  and  $y=-x$  are left unchanged by the action of  $R$ .

8 (a) (i)  $[(x, y, z)]_S = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$

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so  $[T(x, y, z)]_S = A_T \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x - 6y + 3z \\ x + 5y - 2z \\ 3x + 6y + 3z \end{bmatrix}$

Hence

$T(x, y, z) = (-x - 6y + 3z, x + 5y - 2z, 3x + 6y + 3z)$

(ii) Making use of the above working, we see

$$T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) = (-a_0 - 6a_1 + 3a_2) + (a_0 + 5a_1 - 2a_2)x + (3a_0 + 6a_1 + 3a_2)x^2$$

(iii) In the standard basis,  $\text{Im } T$  equals the column space of  $A_T$ . Now

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -6 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & -2 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} R_2 + R_1 \\ R_3 + 3R_1 \end{matrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -6 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -12 & 12 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \\ R_3 - 12R_2 \end{matrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -6 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Leading entries are in rows 1 and 2 so a basis for the column space is  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

In  $P_2$  this corresponds to  $\{(-1 + x + 3x^2), (-6 + 5x + 6x^2)\}$



8(b) (i)  $[\underline{u}]_B = P_{B,C} [\underline{u}]_C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(ii)  $P_{C,B} = (P_{B,C})^{-1}$

Now

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{matrix} R_1 - R_3 \\ R_2 - R_3 \end{matrix} \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{matrix} R_1 - R_2 \end{matrix}$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Hence  $P_{C,B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(iii) From knowledge of  $\{\underline{c}_1, \underline{c}_2, \underline{c}_3\}$  we read off

$$P_{S,C} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now  $P_{S,B} = P_{S,C} P_{C,B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $\underline{b}_1 = (1, 0, 0)$   $\underline{b}_2 = (0, 2, 0)$   $\underline{b}_3 = (0, 0, 3)$

9(a)  $\underline{u} = \alpha \underline{u}_1 + \beta \underline{u}_2 + \gamma \underline{u}_3$

Take the dot product of both sides with respect to  $\underline{u}_1$

$$\underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{u} = \alpha \underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{u}_1 + \beta \underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{u}_2 + \gamma \underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{u}_3$$

But  $\underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{u}_1 = 1$ ,  $\underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{u}_2 = \underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{u}_3 = 0$  since  $\{\underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2, \underline{u}_3\}$  is an orthonormal set. So

$$\alpha = \underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{u}$$

(b)  $T \underline{u}_1 = \underline{0}$ ,  $T \underline{u}_2 = \underline{u}_2$   $T \underline{u}_3 = \underline{u}_3$

$$\begin{aligned} [T]_{\mathcal{U}} &= \begin{bmatrix} [T \underline{u}_1]_{\mathcal{U}} & [T \underline{u}_2]_{\mathcal{U}} & [T \underline{u}_3]_{\mathcal{U}} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Ker } T = \text{span}\{\underline{u}_1\}$$

$$\text{Im } T = \text{span}\{\underline{u}_2, \underline{u}_3\}$$

(c)

$$P_{\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{S}} = P_{\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{U}}^{-1} = [\underline{u}_1 \ \underline{u}_2 \ \underline{u}_3]^{-1}$$

$$= [\underline{u}_1 \ \underline{u}_2 \ \underline{u}_3]^T \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{since} \\ \{\underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2, \underline{u}_3\} \\ \text{is orthonormal} \end{array}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \underline{u}_1^T \\ \underline{u}_2^T \\ \underline{u}_3^T \end{bmatrix}$$

10 (a)  $\langle \underline{x}, \underline{y} \rangle = 5x_1y_1 - x_1y_2 - x_2y_1 + 5x_2y_2$

$$= [x_1 \ x_2] \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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(b) Conditions

- The matrix must be symmetric

- $\langle \underline{x}, \underline{x} \rangle \geq 0$

- If  $\langle \underline{x}, \underline{x} \rangle = 0$ , then  $\underline{x} = \underline{0}$

By inspection, in the specific case the matrix is symmetric.

Als.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \underline{x}, \underline{x} \rangle &= 5x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 + 5x_2^2 \\ &= 5\left(x_1 - \frac{2}{5}x_2\right)^2 + 5x_2^2 \\ &= 5\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{5}x_2\right)^2 - \frac{1}{5}x_2^2 + 5x_2^2 \\ &= 5\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{5}x_2\right)^2 + \frac{24}{5}x_2^2 \\ &\geq 0 \text{ since each term is non-negative} \end{aligned}$$

Suppose  $\langle \underline{x}, \underline{x} \rangle = 0$

The final formula tells us that then

$$5\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{5}x_2\right)^2 + \frac{24}{5}x_2^2 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  (since each term is non-negative)  $\textcircled{1} \left(x_1 - \frac{1}{5}x_2\right)^2 = 0$

$\textcircled{2} \quad x_2^2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_2 = 0$

Subst. in  $\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow x_1 = 0.$

10 (c) Step 1: Normalize  $(1,0)$  with respect to  $\langle \underline{x}, \underline{y} \rangle$ . 12

$$\underline{v}_1 = \frac{(1,0)}{\sqrt{\langle (1,0), (1,0) \rangle}} = \frac{(1,0)}{\sqrt{5}}$$

Step 2: Compute the orthogonal complement to  $(0,1)$  in the direction of  $\underline{v}_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{u} &= (0,1) - \langle (0,1), \underline{v}_1 \rangle \underline{v}_1 \\ &= (0,1) - \frac{1}{5} \langle (0,1), (1,0) \rangle (1,0) \\ &= (0,1) - \frac{1}{5} (-1) (1,0) = \left(\frac{1}{5}, 1\right)\end{aligned}$$

Now normalize  $\underline{u}$  to get  $\underline{v}_2$

$$\underline{v}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\langle (\frac{1}{5}, 1), (\frac{1}{5}, 1) \rangle}} \left(\frac{1}{5}, 1\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{24/5}} \left(\frac{1}{5}, 1\right)$$

Hence, the sought orthonormal basis is

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} (1,0) \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{24}} \left(\frac{1}{5}, 1\right)$$

11 (a)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T \underline{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

According to the method of least squares  
the line of best fit is

$$y = a + bx$$

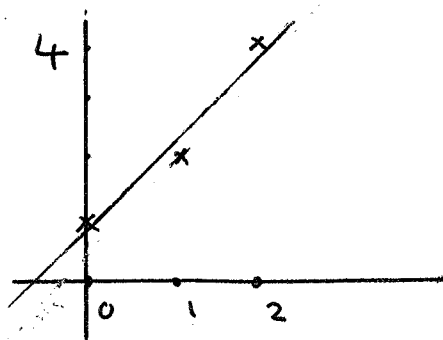
with

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \underline{y}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5/6 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{3}{2}x$$

(b)



(c) When  $x = 4$ ,  $y = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{3}{2} \times 4 = 6 \frac{5}{6}$

$\therefore$  It predicts 7 students would have dropped out.

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$$(1) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence

$$\det M = 0.$$

This implies  $\lambda = 0$  is an eigenvalue.

$$(ii) \det(M - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 5 \\ 1 & 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (1-\lambda) \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} + 5 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1-\lambda \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (1-\lambda)((1-\lambda)(-4-\lambda)-1) + 5 = (1-\lambda)(\lambda^2+3\lambda-5) + 5$$

$$= \lambda^2+3\lambda-5+5-\lambda^3-3\lambda^2+5\lambda$$

$$= -\lambda^3-2\lambda^2+8\lambda = -\lambda(\lambda^2+2\lambda-8) = -\lambda(\lambda+4)(\lambda-2)$$

Hence the eigenvalues are

$$\lambda = 0, \lambda = -4, \lambda = 2$$

(iii) We know that a matrix with distinct eigenvalues can always be diagonalized.

Since  $M$  has distinct eigenvalues, it can be diagonalized.

(b) (i) Since  $A$  is triangular, we read off that the eigenvalues are  $\lambda = 1, 2, 2$  (i.e.  $\lambda = 2$  is repeated).

(ii) Eigenspaces:

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$$\lambda = 1$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 + \frac{1}{3}R_1}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 8/3 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

No leading entry for  $x_3$ . Set  $x_3 = t$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Back substitution gives

$$x_2 = -\frac{1}{8}t$$

$$3x_1 = -\frac{5}{8}t + t = \frac{3t}{8} \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{1}{8}t$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{eigenspace} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1/8 \\ -1/8 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$\lambda = 2$$

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 + R_1 \\ R_3 - 3R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

No leading entry for  $x_3$ . Set  $x_3 = t$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Back substitution gives

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= 0 \\ x_1 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{eigenspace} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$