Assignment 1(ICSE Class 10 2017)

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Question 11.

Solve the following system of linear equations using matrix method:

$$\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 9$$

$$\frac{2}{x} + \frac{5}{y} + \frac{7}{z} = 52$$

$$\frac{2}{x} + \frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{z} = 0$$

Solution:

Let $\frac{1}{x} = a, \frac{1}{y} = b, \frac{1}{z} = c$

$$a + b + c = 9 \tag{1}$$

$$2a + 5b + 7c = 52 \tag{2}$$

$$2a + b - c = 0 \tag{3}$$

This System of equations can be written as

$$AX = B, where$$
 (4)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} X = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$$
 (5)

and

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 52 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \tag{6}$$

Now,

 $\therefore A^{-1}$ exists and it has a unique

solution.

$$A_{11} = -12$$
 $A_{12} = 16$ $A_{13} = -8$
 $A_{21} = 2$ $A_{22} = -3$ $A_{23} = 1$
 $A_{31} = 2$ $A_{32} = -5$ $A_{33} = 3$

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$$adj.A = \begin{bmatrix} -12 & 16 & -8 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 2 & -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$
 (7)

$$A^{-1} = \frac{adj.A}{|A|} \tag{8}$$

(1)
$$A^{-1} = -\frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -12 & 2 & 2 \\ 16 & -3 & -5 \\ -8 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (9)

$$X = A^{-1}B \tag{10}$$

$$X = -\frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -12 & 2 & 2\\ 16 & -3 & -5\\ -8 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 9\\ 52\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
(11)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} X = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$$
 (5)
$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -108 + 104 + 0 \\ 144 - 156 - 0 \\ -72 + 52 + 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (12)

$$= -\frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -4\\ -12\\ -20 \end{bmatrix} \tag{13}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1\\3\\5 \end{bmatrix} \tag{14}$$

$$a = 1, b = 3, c = 5$$

Thus,
$$\frac{1}{x} = 1 \implies x = 1$$
,
 $\frac{1}{y} = 3 \implies y = \frac{1}{3}$
 $\frac{1}{z} = 5 \implies z = \frac{1}{5}$
 $\therefore x = 1, y = \frac{1}{3}, z = \frac{1}{5}$ (15)