

**Problem 1.** Solve the following linear system by using elementary row operations. If the system is consistent, write down the general solution.

$$2x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 - x_4 = -1$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 2$$

$$3x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 = 1$$

$$x_1 + x_2 - 2x_4 = -3$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & 2 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 + (-1)R_4} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 + (-1)R_4} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 3 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_2 + (-3)R_4} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 & 10 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_1 + (-1)R_4} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 & 10 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 & 10 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_3 + (-2)R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_1 + (-1)R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{3}R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_1, R_2 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & & & \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

so,

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 - 2x_4 &= -3 \\ x_3 + 3x_4 &= 5 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} x_1 &= -x_2 - 2x_4 - 3 \\ x_3 &= -3x_4 + 5 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} x_2 &= s \\ x_4 &= t \end{aligned} \quad \text{where } s, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= -s - 2t - 3 \\ x_2 &= s \\ x_3 &= -3t + 5 \\ x_4 &= t \end{aligned}$$

Vector  
Form

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Problem 2.** Find a set of basic solutions for each of the following homogeneous linear systems. Write the solutions as linear combinations of those basic solutions.

(a)  $x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 0$

$$-x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3 + x_5 = 0$$

$$-x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 + x_4 + 3x_5 = 0$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 3 & 1 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_2 + R_1, R_3 \leftrightarrow R_3 + R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 4 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_3 + (-2)R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_1 + R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_4 + 3x_5 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = -2x_2 - 2x_4 - 3x_5$$

$$x_3 + x_4 + 2x_5 = 0 \Rightarrow x_3 = -x_4 - 2x_5$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= s \\ x_4 &= t \\ x_5 &= u \end{aligned}$$

$$x_1 = -2s - 2t - 3u$$

$$x_2 = s$$

$$x_3 = -t - 2u$$

$$x_4 = t$$

$$x_5 = u$$

Vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = s \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + u \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$