

1. (a)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 & 8 \\ 5 & 1 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -28 & 44 & 20 \\ 45 & -70 & -31 \\ -19 & 30 & 13 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} 5 \times (-28) + 7 \times 45 + 9 \times (-19) & 5 \times 44 + 7 \times (-70) + 9 \times 30 & 5 \times 20 + 7 \times (-31) + 9 \times 13 \\ 1 \times (-28) + 4 \times 45 + 8 \times (-19) & 1 \times 44 + 4 \times (-70) + 8 \times 30 & 1 \times 20 + 4 \times (-31) + 8 \times 13 \\ 5 \times (-28) + 1 \times 45 - 5 \times (-19) & 5 \times 44 + 1 \times (-70) - 5 \times 30 & 5 \times 20 + 1 \times (-31) - 5 \times 13 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

(b) From Part (a) we have that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 & 8 \\ 5 & 1 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -28 & 44 & 20 \\ 45 & -70 & -31 \\ -19 & 30 & 13 \end{pmatrix} = 4\mathbf{I}.$$

After a slight rearrangement we have that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 & 8 \\ 5 & 1 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \times \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -28 & 44 & 20 \\ 45 & -70 & -31 \\ -19 & 30 & 13 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I}.$$

The above allows us to deduce that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 & 8 \\ 5 & 1 & -5 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -28 & 44 & 20 \\ 45 & -70 & -31 \\ -19 & 30 & 13 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(c) The set of simultaneous equations can be written in matrix form as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 & 8 \\ 5 & 1 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 6 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}.$$

From Part (b) we know that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 & 8 \\ 5 & 1 & -5 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -28 & 44 & 20 \\ 45 & -70 & -31 \\ -19 & 30 & 13 \end{pmatrix}.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}
\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} &= \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -28 & 44 & 20 \\ 45 & -70 & -31 \\ -19 & 30 & 13 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 6 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -28 \times (-1) + 44 \times 6 + 20 \times 8 \\ 45 \times (-1) - 70 \times 6 - 31 \times 8 \\ -19 \times (-1) + 30 \times 6 + 13 \times 8 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 452 \\ -713 \\ 303 \end{pmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

So the solution to the simultaneous equations is $x = 113$, $y = \frac{-713}{4}$ and $z = \frac{303}{4}$.

2. (a)

$$\begin{aligned}
&\begin{pmatrix} -8 & -3 & -4 \\ -4 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 8 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -17 & 14 \\ 20 & -40 & 32 \\ -32 & 64 & -52 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} -8 \times 9 - 3 \times 20 - 4 \times (-32) & -8 \times (-17) - 3 \times (-40) - 4 \times 64 & -8 \times 14 - 3 \times 32 - 4 \times (-52) \\ -4 \times 9 + 5 \times 20 + 2 \times (-32) & -4 \times (-17) + 5 \times (-40) + 2 \times 64 & -4 \times 14 + 5 \times 32 + 2 \times (-52) \\ 0 \times 9 + 8 \times 20 + 5 \times (-32) & 0 \times (-17) + 8 \times (-40) + 5 \times 64 & 0 \times 14 + 8 \times 32 + 5 \times (-52) \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

(b) From Part (a) we have that

$$\begin{pmatrix} -8 & -3 & -4 \\ -4 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 8 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -17 & 14 \\ 20 & -40 & 32 \\ -32 & 64 & -52 \end{pmatrix} = -4\mathbf{I}.$$

After a slight rearrangement we have that

$$\begin{pmatrix} -8 & -3 & -4 \\ -4 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 8 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \times \frac{1}{-4} \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -17 & 14 \\ 20 & -40 & 32 \\ -32 & 64 & -52 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I}.$$

The above allows us to deduce that

$$\begin{pmatrix} -8 & -3 & -4 \\ -4 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 8 & 5 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{-4} \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -17 & 14 \\ 20 & -40 & 32 \\ -32 & 64 & -52 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(c) The set of simultaneous equations can be written in matrix form as

$$\begin{pmatrix} -8 & -3 & -4 \\ -4 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 8 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -6 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

From Part (b) we know that

$$\begin{pmatrix} -8 & -3 & -4 \\ -4 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 8 & 5 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{-4} \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -17 & 14 \\ 20 & -40 & 32 \\ -32 & 64 & -52 \end{pmatrix}.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} &= \frac{1}{-4} \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -17 & 14 \\ 20 & -40 & 32 \\ -32 & 64 & -52 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -6 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{-4} \begin{pmatrix} 9 \times (-3) - 17 \times (-6) + 14 \times (-6) \\ 20 \times (-3) - 40 \times (-6) + 32 \times (-6) \\ -32 \times (-3) + 64 \times (-6) - 52 \times (-6) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{-4} \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ -12 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

So the solution to the simultaneous equations is $x = \frac{9}{4}$, $y = -3$ and $z = 6$.

3. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} &\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 7 & 8 \\ -5 & -7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 112 & -17 & 31 \\ -72 & 11 & -20 \\ 7 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \times 112 + 3 \times (-72) - 1 \times 7 & 2 \times (-17) + 3 \times 11 - 1 \times (-1) & 2 \times 31 + 3 \times (-20) - 1 \times 2 \\ 4 \times 112 + 7 \times (-72) + 8 \times 7 & 4 \times (-17) + 7 \times 11 + 8 \times (-1) & 4 \times 31 + 7 \times (-20) + 8 \times 2 \\ -5 \times 112 - 7 \times (-72) + 8 \times 7 & -5 \times (-17) - 7 \times 11 + 8 \times (-1) & -5 \times 31 - 7 \times (-20) + 8 \times 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(b) From Part (a) we have that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 7 & 8 \\ -5 & -7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 112 & -17 & 31 \\ -72 & 11 & -20 \\ 7 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I}.$$

The above allows us to deduce that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 7 & 8 \\ -5 & -7 & 8 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 112 & -17 & 31 \\ -72 & 11 & -20 \\ 7 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(c) The set of simultaneous equations can be written in matrix form as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 7 & 8 \\ -5 & -7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}.$$

From Part (b) we know that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 7 & 8 \\ -5 & -7 & 8 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 112 & -17 & 31 \\ -72 & 11 & -20 \\ 7 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 112 & -17 & 31 \\ -72 & 11 & -20 \\ 7 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 112 \times 7 - 17 \times 7 + 31 \times 8 \\ -72 \times 7 + 11 \times 7 - 20 \times 8 \\ 7 \times 7 - 1 \times 7 + 2 \times 8 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 913 \\ -587 \\ 58 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

So the solution to the simultaneous equations is $x = 913$, $y = -587$ and $z = 58$.