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5 pts

5 pts. Let $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$, find a vector \mathbf{x} whose image under T is \mathbf{b} , and determine whether \mathbf{x} is unique.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

If \vec{x} exists, then it is a solution to $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ so solve the linear system via the augmented matrix.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 & -3 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_2' = R_2 + 2R_1$$

$$R_3' = R_3 - 3R_1$$

$$\Downarrow$$

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

$$R_3' = R_3 + 2R_2$$

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

$$R_3' = \frac{1}{5}R_3$$

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

$$R_1' = 2R_3 + R_1$$

$$R_2' = R_2 - 2R_3$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ unique since pivot in every column}$$

Verification of Solution

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 1 + (-2) \cdot 2 \\ -2 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 1 + 6 \cdot 2 \\ 3 \cdot 3 + (-2) \cdot 1 + (-5) \cdot 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ -6 & 1 & 12 \\ 9 & -2 & -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{b}$$