

## Unit 1 Exam

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Solutions to  $Ax = b$  have the form  $x = x_p + cx_s$ . Since  $Ax$  has one solution to some right-hand side  $b$ , it means that there are no free variables and the rank  $r$  equals the number of columns  $n$ . Since  $Ax$  has no solution to some other right-hand side  $b$ , it means that the rank of row space is smaller than the number of rows. In other words,  $r < m$ . To summarize,  $r = n < m$ .

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(a) Since  $E_{23}E_{31}E_{21}A = I$ , it leads to  $A^{-1} = E_{21}^{-1}E_{31}^{-1}E_{23}^{-1}$ .

$$A^{-1} = E_{23}E_{31}E_{23} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)  $A = E_{21}^{-1}E_{31}^{-1}E_{23}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(c) Since  $U = I$  in this  $A = LU$  equation,  $L = A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & c & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & c-3 & -4 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) When  $c - 3 \neq 0$  or  $c \neq 3$ , there are three pivots in  $A$ . The basis for the column space of  $A$  is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ When } c = 0, \text{ there are only two pivots in } A \text{ so the basis is } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b) When  $c - 3 \neq 0$  or  $c \neq 3$ , there are three pivots and one free variable in  $A$  so there is one special solution. The basis for the nullspace of  $A$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . When  $c = 3$ , there are two free

variables and thus two special solutions. The basis in this case would be  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(c) Perform row reduction on  $Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , we have

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & c-3 & -4 & -4 & c-3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

When  $c - 3 \neq 0$  or  $c \neq 3$ , the complete solution is  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . When  $c = 3$ , the complete

solution is  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + e \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + f \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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(a) The nullspace of  $A$  equals  $n - R(A)$ . Since  $R(A) \geq 0$  and  $n = 5$ , the dimension of  $N(A)$  is between 2 and 5 (inclusive).

(b) Since there are three pivots and two free variables, the column space of  $A$  has dimension of 3 and the basis is column 1, 4, 5 of  $A$ .

(c) In vector space  $M$  of 3 by 3 matrices, subspace  $S$  spanned by rref contain matrices of form

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix}$$