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# Solutions: Linear Algebra by Hoffman and Kunze



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Abstract—This book provides solutions to the Linear Algebra book by Hoffman and Kunze.

#### 1 Linear Equations

#### 1.1 Fields and Linear Equations

1.1.1. Verify that the set of complex numbers numbers described in the form of c where x and y are rational is a sub-field of C.

**Solution:** Lets consider the set  $S = \{x + y\sqrt{2}, x, y \in Q\}$ ,  $S \subset C$  We must verify that S meets the following two conditions:

$$0, 1 \in S$$
 (1.1.1.1)

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$$a, b \in S, a + b, -a, ab, a^{-1} \in S$$
 (1.1.1.2)

Throughout let

$$a = x + y\sqrt{2}, b = w + z\sqrt{2}$$
 (1.1.1.3)

If

f)

a)  $x = 0, y = 0 \in Q, a = 0 + \sqrt{2}.0 = 0, 0 \in S$  (1.1.1.4)

b)  $x = 1, y = 0, a = 1 + \sqrt{2}.0 = 1, 1 \in S$  (1.1.1.5)

c)  $a + b = x + y\sqrt{2} + w + z\sqrt{2} = b + a$  (1.1.1.6)

d)  $-a = -x - y\sqrt{2}, x, y \in Qso - x, -y \in Q, a \in S$  (1.1.1.7)

e) 
$$ab = (x + y\sqrt{2})(w + z\sqrt{2}) = ba, ab \in S$$
 (1.1.1.8)

 $a^{-1}a = (x + y\sqrt{2})^{-1}(x + y\sqrt{2}) = 1, a^{-1} \in S$ (1.1.1.9)

Hence (1.1.1.1) ,(1.1.1.2) is verified. Therefore by considering the (1.1.1.1) and (1.1.1.2) we can say set complex numbers of given form  $x + y\sqrt{2}$  is subfield of C.

1.1.2. Let F be the field of complex numbers. Are the following two systems of linear equations equivalent? If so, express each equation in each system as a linear combination of the equations in the other system.

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

and

$$3x_1 + x_2 = 0$$
$$x_1 + x_2 = 0$$

**Solution:** The given system of linear equations can be written as,

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.2.1}$$

$$\Longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.2.2}$$

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.2.3}$$

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.2.4}$$

Now we can obtain  $\mathbf{B}$  from matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  by performing elementary row operations given as,

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{A} \tag{1.1.2.5}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{C} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.1.2.6}$$

where C is product of elementary matrices given as,

$$\mathbf{C} = (\mathbf{E}_{7}\mathbf{E}_{6}\mathbf{E}_{5}\mathbf{E}_{4}\mathbf{E}_{3}\mathbf{E}_{2}\mathbf{E}_{1})$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{-1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.1.2.7)$$

Now, performing elementary operations on the right side of A we obtain matrix B given as,

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{AP} \tag{1.1.2.8}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{P} \tag{1.1.2.9}$$

where, **P** is product of elementary matrices given by,

$$\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{E}_{1}\mathbf{E}_{2}\mathbf{E}_{3}\mathbf{E}_{4}\mathbf{E}_{5})$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{-5}{3} & \frac{-1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.1.2.10)$$

Similarly,  $\mathbf{A}$  can be obtained from matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  from (1.1.2.5) as,

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{C}^{-1}\mathbf{B} \tag{1.1.2.11}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{C}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.1.2.12}$$

Matrix **C** is product of elementary matrices and hence invertible and is given as,

$$\mathbf{C}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{E_1}^{-1} \mathbf{E_2}^{-1} \mathbf{E_3}^{-1} \mathbf{E_4}^{-1} \mathbf{E_5}^{-1} \mathbf{E_6}^{-1} \mathbf{E_7}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{-1}{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.1.2.13)$$

Matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  can also be obtained from (1.1.2.8) given as,

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{P}^{-1} \tag{1.1.2.14}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}^{-1} \tag{1.1.2.15}$$

where,

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \left(\mathbf{E}_{5}^{-1}\mathbf{E}_{4}^{-1}\mathbf{E}_{3}^{-1}\mathbf{E}_{2}^{-1}\mathbf{E}_{1}^{-1}\right)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-1}{2} & -1 \\ \frac{5}{2} & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.1.2.16)$$

Thus (1.1.2.4) can be obtained from (1.1.2.2) by multiplying it with matrix  $\mathbb{C}$ , and by inverse row operations (1.1.2.2) can be obtained back from (1.1.2.4) since  $\mathbb{C}$  is product of elementary matrices and hence invertible.

Thus the two given homogeneous systems are row equivalent.

Now writing equations in matrix-vector form

as,

$$3x_{1} + x_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$
 (1.1.2.17)  

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \frac{4}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$
 (1.1.2.18)  

$$x_{1} + x_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$
 (1.1.2.19)  

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \frac{-1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \frac{2}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$
 (1.1.2.20)

(1.1.2.18), (1.1.2.20) is same as multiplying **C** with **A** as it takes the linear combination of each rows of matrix **A** i.e, (1.1.2.6)

$$x_{1} - x_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \qquad (1.1.2.21)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = (1) \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + (-2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

$$(1.1.2.22)$$

$$2x_{1} + x_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \qquad (1.1.2.23)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

$$(1.1.2.24)$$

(1.1.2.22), (1.1.2.24) is same as multiplying  $C^{-1}$  with **B** as it takes the linear combination of each rows of matrix **B** i.e, (1.1.2.12)

Thus each equation in each system can be expressed as a linear combination of the equations in the other system when they are equivalent.

1.1.3. Are the following two systems of linear equations equivalent?

$$-x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + 8x_3 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x_1 + x_2 + \frac{5}{2}x_3 = 0$$
(1.1.3.1)

**Solution:** 

$$x_1 - x_3 = 0$$
  

$$x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$$
(1.1.3.2)

System of linear equations in (1.1.3.1) can be

expressed in matrix form as,

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.3.3}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 8 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.3.4}$$

System of linear equations in (1.1.3.2) can be expressed in matrix form as,

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.3.5}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.3.6}$$

Two system of linear equations are equivalent if one system can be expressed as a linear combination of other system.

Matrix **B** can be obtained from matrix **A** as,

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{A} \tag{1.1.3.7}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{C} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 8 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.1.3.8)

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & -2\\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.1.3.9}$$

Now, writing equations in matrix-vector form,

$$x_1 - x_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

$$\implies (1 \quad 0 \quad -1)\mathbf{x} = -1(-1 \quad 1 \quad 4)\mathbf{x} + 1(1 \quad 3 \quad 8)\mathbf{x} - 2(\frac{1}{2} \quad 1 \quad \frac{5}{2})\mathbf{x} \quad (1.1.3.10)$$

$$x_2 + 3x_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$
$$-\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \quad (1.1.3.11)$$

Equations (1.1.3.10) and (1.1.3.11) is same as multiplying **C** with **A** which is the linear combination of rows of matrix **A**.

Thus each equation in second system can be expressed as linear combination of the equations in first system.

Therefore, the two system of linear equations are equivalent.

1.1.4. Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be the field of complex numbers. Are the following two systems of linear equations

equivalent? If so, express each equation in each system as a linear combination of equations in other system. First system of equations:

$$2x_1 + (-1 + i)x_2 + x_4 = 0 (1.1.4.1)$$

$$3x_2 - 2ix_3 + 5x_4 = 0 (1.1.4.2)$$

The second system of equations:

$$(1+\frac{i}{2})x_1 + 8x_2 - ix_3 - x_4 = 0$$
 (1.1.4.3) Hence the given systems of linear equations are not equivalent.
$$\frac{2}{3}x_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_2 + x_3 + 7x_4 = 0$$
 (1.1.4.4) 1.1.5. Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a set which contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and multiple of the contains exactly two elements 0 and 1 Define an addition and 1 Define and 1 Define an addition and 1 Define and 1 Define

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{R}_1$  and  $\mathbf{R}_2$  be the reduced row echelon forms of the augumented matrices of the following systems of homogeneous equations respectively.

$$\mathbf{AX} = \mathbf{0} \tag{1.1.4.5}$$

$$\mathbf{BX} = \mathbf{0} \tag{1.1.4.6}$$

Where **A** and **B** as follows

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1+i & 0 & 1\\ 0 & 3 & -2i & 5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.1.4.7}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{i}{2} & 8 & -i & -1 \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{-1}{2} & 1 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.1.4.8)

On performing elementary row operations on (1.1.4.7),

$$\mathbf{R_1} = \mathbf{CA}$$
 (1.1.4.9)

where C is the product of all elementary matrices. Reducing the first system of linear equations, we get,

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1-i}{2} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.1.4.10)

$$\mathbf{R_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{-1-i}{3} & \frac{4}{3} - \frac{5i}{6} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-2i}{3} & \frac{5}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.1.4.11)

On performing elementary row operations on (1.1.4.8),

$$\mathbf{R}_2 = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{A}$$
 (1.1.4.12)

where **D** is the product of all elementary matrices. Reducing the second system of linear equations, we get,

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{5}(1 - \frac{i}{2}) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{-2}{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{-6(143 + 43i)}{4909} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{16(-2+i)}{5} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} e$$

$$(1.1.4.13)$$
1 is an identity element of · operation of ·

$$\mathbf{R_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{6702}{4909} - \frac{708i}{4909} & \frac{46620}{4909} - \frac{1998i}{4909} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-2(441 + 472i)}{4909} & \frac{-2(3283 + 1332i)}{4909} \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.1.4.14)

From the equations (1.1.4.11) and (1.1.4.14), we can say that

$$\mathbf{R_1} \neq \mathbf{R_2}$$
 (1.1.4.15)

elements,0 and 1.Define an addition and multiplication by tables. Verify that the set  $\mathbb{F}$ ,

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} \cdot & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ \end{array}$$

together with these two operations, is a field. **Solution:** 

To prove that  $(\mathbb{F},+,\cdot)$  is a field we need to satisfy the following,

- a) + and  $\cdot$  should be closed
  - For any a and b in  $\mathbb{F}$ ,  $a+b \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $a \cdot b$  $\in \mathbb{F}$ . For example 0+0=0 and  $0\cdot 0=0$ .
- b) + and  $\cdot$  should be commutative
  - For any a and b in  $\mathbb{F}$ , a+b=b+a and a ·  $b = b \cdot a$ . For example 0+1=1+0 and  $0 \cdot a$ 1=1.0.
- c) + and  $\cdot$  should be associative
  - For any a and b in  $\mathbb{F}$ , a+(b+c)=(a+b)+cand  $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$ . For example 0+(1+0)=(0+1)+0 and  $0\cdot(1\cdot0)=(0\cdot1)\cdot0$ .
- d) + and · operations should have an identity element
  - If we perform a + 0 then for any value of a from F the result will be a itself. Hence 0 is an identity element of + operation.If we perform a  $\cdot$  1 then for any value of a from F the result will be a itself. Hence 1 is an identity element of  $\cdot$  operation.
- - For additive inverse to exist,  $\forall$  a in  $\mathbb{F}$  a+(a)=0. For example. 1-1=0 and 0-0=0.

- f)  $\forall$  a  $\in$   $\mathbb{F}$  such that a is non zero there exists a multiplicative inverse
  - For multiplicative inverse to exist,  $\forall$  a such that a is non zero in  $\mathbb{F}$ ,  $a \cdot a^{-1} = 1$ . For example  $1 \cdot 1^{-1} = 1$ .
- g) + and  $\cdot$  should hold distributive property
  - For any a,b and c in  $\mathbb{F}$  the property  $a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$  should always hold true. For example  $0 \cdot (1+1) = 0 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 1$ .

Since the above properties are satisfied we can say that  $(\mathbb{F},+,\cdot)$  is a field.

1.1.6. Prove that if two homogenous systems of linear equations in two unknowns have the same solutions, then they are equivalent.

**Solution:** Let the two systems of homogenous equations be

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$$
 (1.1.6.1)

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0}$$
 (1.1.6.2)

We can write

$$CAx = 0$$
 (1.1.6.3)

$$DBv = 0$$
 (1.1.6.4)

where C and D are product of elementary matrices that reduce A and B into their reduced row echelon forms  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ 

(1.1.6.3) and (1.1.6.4) imply

$$\mathbf{R_1} \mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.6.5}$$

$$\mathbf{R_2} \mathbf{y} = 0 \tag{1.1.6.6}$$

Given that they have same solution, we can write

$$\mathbf{R_1} \mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.6.7}$$

$$\mathbf{R_2} \mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.6.8}$$

$$\implies (\mathbf{R_1} - \mathbf{R_2})\mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.1.6.9}$$

Note that for a solution to exist,  $\mathbf{R_1}$  and  $\mathbf{R_2}$  can be either of matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.1.6.10}$$

Case 1 Let us assume that the solution is unique. The unique solution is

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \tag{1.1.6.11}$$

Since they have the same solution, both  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  must have their rank as 2.

So.

$$\mathbf{R_1} = \mathbf{R_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.1.6.12}$$

Case 2 Let us assume that (1.1.6.3),(1.1.6.4) have infinitely many solutions So.

$$rank(\mathbf{A}) = rank(\mathbf{B}) = 1$$
 (1.1.6.13)

equation (1.1.6.9) for solutions other than zero solution implies

$$\mathbf{R_1} = \mathbf{R_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.1.6.14}$$

So, in both the cases, we have

$$\mathbf{R_1} = \mathbf{R_2} \tag{1.1.6.15}$$

$$\implies$$
 **CA** = **DB** (1.1.6.16)

Since **C**, **D** are product of elementary matrices, they are invertible.

$$\implies \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{C}^{-1}\mathbf{DB} \tag{1.1.6.17}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{A} \tag{1.1.6.18}$$

Let 
$$C^{-1}D = E$$
 (1.1.6.19)

where  ${\bf E}$  is also a product of elementary matrices

(1.1.6.17) and (1.1.6.18) hence become

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{EB} \tag{1.1.6.20}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{E}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \tag{1.1.6.21}$$

Hence the two systems of equations are equivalent.

1.1.7. Prove that each subfield of the field of complex number contains every rational number

#### **Solution:**

Complex Numbers: A complex number is a number that can be expressed in the form a + bi, where a and b are real numbers, and i represents the imaginary unit, satisfying the equation  $i^2 = -1$ . The set of complex numbers is denoted by  $\mathbb{C}$ 

$$\mathbb{C} = \{ (a, b) : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \}$$
 (1.1.7.1)

Rational Numbers: A number in the form  $\frac{p}{q}$ , where both p and q(non-zero) are integers, is called a rational number. The set of rational numbers is denoted by  $\mathbb{Q}$  Let  $\mathbb{Q}$  be the set of

rational numbers.

$$\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{p}{q} : p \in \mathbb{Z}, q \in \mathbb{Z}_{\neq 0} \right\}$$
 (1.1.7.2)

Let  $\mathbb C$  be the field of complex numbers and given  $\mathbb{F}$  be the subfield of field of complex numbers  $\mathbb C$  Since  $\mathbb F$  is the subfield , we could say that

$$0 \in \mathbb{F} \tag{1.1.7.3}$$

$$1 \in \mathbb{F} \tag{1.1.7.4}$$

Closed under addition: Here  $\mathbb{F}$  is closed under addition since it is subfield

$$1 + 1 = 2 \in \mathbb{F}$$
 (1.1.7.5)

$$1+1+1=3 \in \mathbb{F}$$
 (1.1.7.6) 1.1.8

$$1 + 1 + \dots + 1$$
(p times) =  $p \in \mathbb{F}$  (1.1.7.7)

$$1 + 1 + \dots + 1$$
(q times) =  $q \in \mathbb{F}$  (1.1.7.8)

By using the above property we could say that zero and other positive integers belongs to  $\mathbb{F}$ . Since p and q are integers we say,

$$p \in \mathbb{Z} \tag{1.1.7.9}$$

$$q \in \mathbb{Z} \tag{1.1.7.10}$$

Additive Inverse: Let x be the positive integer belong  $\mathbb{F}$  and by additive inverse we could say,

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{F} \tag{1.1.7.11}$$

$$(-x) \in \mathbb{F} \tag{1.1.7.12}$$

Therefore field  $\mathbb{F}$  contains every integers. Let n be a integer then,

$$n \in \mathbb{Z} \implies n \in \mathbb{F}$$
 (1.1.7.13)

$$\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{F} \tag{1.1.7.14}$$

Where  $\mathbb{Z}$  is subset of  $\mathbb{F}$  Multiplicative Inverse: Every element except zero in the subfield  $\mathbb{F}$ has an multiplicative inverse. From equation (1.1.7.8), since  $q \in \mathbb{F}$  we could say,

$$\frac{1}{q} \in \mathbb{F} \quad \text{and } q \neq 0 \tag{1.1.7.15}$$

Closed under multiplication: Also, F is closed under multiplication and thus, from equation (1.1.7.7) and (1.1.7.15) we get,

$$p \cdot \frac{1}{q} \in \mathbb{F} \tag{1.1.7.16}$$

$$p \cdot \frac{1}{q} \in \mathbb{F}$$

$$\implies \frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{F}$$
(1.1.7.17)

where ,  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $q \in \mathbb{Z}_{\neq 0}$  (from equation (1.1.7.3) and (1.1.7.15)) Conclusion From (1.1.7.2) and (1.1.7.17) we could say,

$$\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{F} \tag{1.1.7.18}$$

From equation (1.1.7.18) we could say that each subfield of the field of complex number contains every rational number

#### Hence Proved

 $1+1+1=3\in\mathbb{F}$  (1.1.7.6) 1.1.8. Prove that, each field of the characteristic zero contains a copy of the rational number field.

> Solution: The characteristic of a field is defined to be the smallest number of times one must use the field's multiplicative identity (1) in a sum to get the additive identity. If this sum never reaches the additive identity (0), then the field is said to have characteristic zero.

Let  $\mathbb O$  be the rational number field. Hence,

$$0 \in \mathbb{Q}$$
 [Additive Identity] (1.1.8.1)

$$1 \in \mathbb{Q}$$
 [Multiplicative Identity] (1.1.8.2)

As addition is defined on  $\mathbb{Q}$  hence we have,

$$1 \neq 0$$
 (1.1.8.3)

$$1 + 1 = 2 \neq 0 \tag{1.1.8.4}$$

And so on,

1.2.1.

$$1 + 1 + \dots + 1 = n \neq 0 \tag{1.1.8.5}$$

From the definition of characteristic of a field and from (1.1.8.3), (1.1.8.4) and so on upto (1.1.8.5), the rational number field,  $\mathbb{Q}$  has characteristic 0.

1.2 Matrices and Elementary Row Operations

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -4 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.1.1}$$

Find all solutions of AX = 2X and all solutions of AX = 3X. The symbol cX denotes the matrix each entry of which is c times corresponding

entry.

**Solution:** 

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -4 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.1.2}$$

To calculate solution of AX = 2X and all solutions of AX = 3X we calculate eigen values of A:

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\mathbf{X} = 0 \tag{1.2.1.3}$$

Substituting values in (1.2.1.3),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 - \lambda & -4 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 - \lambda & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} = 0 \qquad (1.2.1.4)$$

Simplifying:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 - \lambda & -4 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 - \lambda & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - R_2}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 - \lambda & -2 + \lambda & 0 \\ 4 & -2 - \lambda & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 - \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.1.5)

Taking  $(3-\lambda)$  and  $(2-\lambda)$ common from  $C_3$  and  $R_1$ 

$$(3 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 - \lambda & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.1.6)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 - \lambda & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 4R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda + 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1.2.1.7)$$

Taking  $(2 - \lambda)$  common from  $R_2$ :

$$(2 - \lambda)^{2} (3 - \lambda) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.1.8)

Eigen values are:

$$\lambda_1 = 2 \tag{1.2.1.9}$$

$$\lambda_2 = 3$$
 (1.2.1.10)

solution to  $\mathbf{AX} = 2\mathbf{X}$  is eigen vector corresponding to  $\lambda = 2$ 

$$(\mathbf{A} - 2\mathbf{I})\mathbf{X} = 0$$
 (1.2.1.11)

Substituting values:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xleftarrow{R_1 \leftarrow \frac{R_1}{4}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xleftarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 4R_1}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xleftarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xleftarrow{R_3 \longleftrightarrow R_2}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xleftarrow{R_2 \leftarrow -R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xleftarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + R_2}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.1.12)

So,  $x_3$  is a free variable: Let  $x_3 = c$ .

$$x_2 - x_3 = 0 \implies x_2 = x_3 = c$$
 (1.2.1.13)

$$x_1 - x_3 = 0 \implies x_1 = x_3 = c$$
 (1.2.1.14)

So, the solution to AX = 2Xis

$$\mathbf{X} = c \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.1.15}$$

solution of AX = 3X is eigen vector corresponding to  $\lambda = 3$ 

$$(\mathbf{A} - 3\mathbf{I})\mathbf{X} = 0 \tag{1.2.1.16}$$

substituting we have:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow \frac{R_1}{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & -5 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 4R_1}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow \begin{matrix} R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_1 \\ \leftarrow & 1 \\ R_3 \leftarrow & R_3 + R_1 \\ \leftarrow & 1 \\ 0 & -\frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow \begin{matrix} R_2 \leftarrow \frac{R_2}{3} \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_1 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_1 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_2 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 + R_3 + R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 + R_3 + R_3 + R_3 + R_3 \\ \leftarrow & R_3 + R_3 +$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{-4}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow \begin{matrix} R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - \frac{4}{3}R_2 \\ \longleftarrow \end{matrix} \longleftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow \begin{matrix} R_3 \leftarrow R_1 + \frac{4}{3}R_2 \\ \longleftarrow \end{matrix} \longleftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.1.17)

So  $x_3$  is a free variable:

$$x_1 = 0 (1.2.1.18)$$

$$x_2 = 0 (1.2.1.19)$$

$$x_3 = c (1.2.1.20)$$

So, the solution to AX = 3X is,

$$\mathbf{X} = c \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.1.21}$$

1.2.2. Find a row-reduced matrix which is row equivalent to,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} i & -(1+i) & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2i & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.2.1)

**Solution: Step 1**: Performing scaling operation to matrix **A** as  $R_1 \leftarrow \frac{1}{i}R_1$  by scaling matrix  $D_1$  given as,

$$\mathbf{D_1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{i} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \ (1.2.2.2)$$

$$\mathbf{D_1A} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{i} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} i & -(1+i) & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2i & -1 \end{pmatrix} (1.2.2.3)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{D_1 A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 + i & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2i & -1 \end{pmatrix} (1.2.2.4)$$

**Step 2**: Performing  $R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - R_1$  and  $R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_1$  given by elementary matrix  $\mathbf{E_{31}E_{21}}$  on equation (1.2.2.4),

$$\mathbf{E_{31}}\mathbf{E_{21}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.2.5)

$$\mathbf{E_{31}}\mathbf{E_{21}}\mathbf{D_{1}}\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1+i & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2i & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.2.6

$$\implies \mathbf{A_1} = \mathbf{E_{31}} \mathbf{E_{21}} \mathbf{D_1} \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1+i & 0\\ 0 & -1-i & 1\\ 0 & 1+i & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.2.7)

**Step 3**: Performing  $R_2 \leftarrow \frac{-1}{1+i}R_2$  given by  $\mathbf{D_2}$ 

on equation (1.2.2.7),

$$\mathbf{D_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2}(-1+i) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.2.8)

$$\mathbf{D_2A_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2}(-1+i) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1+i & 0 \\ 0 & -1-i & 1 \\ 0 & 1+i & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.2.9)

$$\implies \mathbf{A_2} = \mathbf{D_2} \mathbf{A_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1+i & 0\\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2}(-1+i)\\ 0 & 1+i & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.2.10)

**Step 4**: Performing  $R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - (1+i)R_2$  given by  $\mathbf{E_{32}}$  on equation (1.2.2.10),

$$\mathbf{E_{32}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -(1+i) & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.2.11}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{32}\mathbf{A}_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 - i & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 + i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-1 + i}{2} \\ 0 & 1 + i & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.2.12)

$$\implies \mathbf{A_3} = \mathbf{E_{32}A_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1+i & 0\\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-1+i}{2}\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.2.13)

**Step 5**: Performing  $R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - (-1+i)R_2$  given by  $\mathbf{E_{12}}$  on equation (1.2.2.13),

$$\mathbf{E_{12}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 - i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.2.14}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{12}\mathbf{A}_{3} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1-i & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1+i & 0\\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-1+i}{2}\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.2.15)

$$\implies \mathbf{A_4} = \mathbf{E_{12}A_3} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-1+i}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.2.16)$$

**Step 6**: Performing  $R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - iR_3$  and  $R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - \frac{-1+i}{2}R_3$  given by  $\mathbf{E_{13}E_{23}}$  on equation

(1.2.2.16),

$$\mathbf{E}_{13}\mathbf{E}_{23} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 1 & -\left(\frac{-1+i}{2}\right) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.2.17)

$$\mathbf{E_{13}E_{23}A_4} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 1 & -\left(\frac{-1+i}{2}\right) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-1+i}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.2.18)

$$\implies \mathbf{A_5} = \mathbf{E_{13}}\mathbf{E_{23}}\mathbf{A_4} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.2.19)

 $\therefore$  Row-reduced matrix of **A** given by equation (1.2.2.1) is,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} i & -1 - i & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2i & -1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{RREF} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{I}$$
(1.2.2.20)

1.2.3. Prove that the following two matrices are not row equivalent

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ a & -1 & 0 \\ b & c & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.3.1)

**Solution:** Call the first matrix **A** and the second matrix **B**.

$$\mathbf{A}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & a & b \\ 0 & -1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.3.2}$$

 $\mathbf{A}^T$  is a upper triangular matrix with non-zero

diagonal. Hence it has full rank = 3.

$$\mathbf{B}^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_{2} \to R_{2} - R_{1}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1.2.3.3)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_{3} \leftarrow R_{3}/3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1.2.3.4)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_{3} \leftarrow R_{3} - R_{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1.2.3.5)$$

 $\mathbf{B}^T$  is a upper triangular matrix with zero diagonal. Hence it doesn't have full rank. Therefore both matrices have different rank, so it cannot be row equivalent.

2.4. Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.4.1}$$

be a  $2\times2$  matrix with complex entries. Suppose A is row-reduced and also that a+b+c+d=0. Prove that there are exactly three such matrices. **Solution:** A matrix is in row echelon form if it follows the following conditions

- 1. All nonzero rows are above any rows of all zeros.
- 2. Each leading entry (i.e. left most nonzero entry) of a row is in a column to the right of the leading entry of the row above it.
- 3. All entries in a column below a leading entry are zero Row Reduced Echelon Form A matrix is in row reduced echelon form if it follows the following conditions
- 1. The matrix should be row echelon form
- 2. The leading entry in each nonzero row is 1.
- 3. Each leading 1 is the only nonzero entry in its column. Proof Given ,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.4.2}$$

**Condition 1 :** Matrix **A** should be in row-reduced echelon form

**Condition 2 :** a + b + c + d = 0 where a,b,c and d are the elements of the matrix **A** 

Reducing the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  from equation (1.2.4.2)

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \xleftarrow{R_1 = \frac{1}{a}R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.4.3}$$

$$\stackrel{R_2=R_2-cR_1}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{\underline{b}}{a} \\ 0 & \frac{\underline{ad-bc}}{a} \end{pmatrix} \qquad (1.2.4.4)$$

$$\stackrel{R_2 = \frac{a}{ad - bc} R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.4.5}$$

$$\stackrel{R_1=R_1-\frac{b}{a}R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.4.6}$$

#### Case 1: Matrix A of Rank 2

From the equation (1.2.4.4), for the matrix to be in row reduced echelon form,

$$b = 0$$

$$a \neq 0$$

$$d = 1$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.4.7)

For the condition 2 to get satisfied,

$$a + 0 + c + 1 = 0$$
 (1.2.4.8)  
 $\Rightarrow a = -(c + 1)$  (1.2.4.9)  
 $\Rightarrow c \neq -1$  (1.2.4.10)

Both the condition gets satisfied and so exactly one matrix **A** can be formed of Rank 2 with given conditions

#### Case 2: Matrix A of Rank 1

From the equation (1.2.4.4), for the matrix to be in row reduced echelon form,

$$a \neq 0$$
$$d = 0$$
$$c = 0$$

For the condition 2 to get satisfied,

$$a+b+0+0=0$$
 (1.2.4.11)  
 $\Rightarrow b=-a$  (1.2.4.12)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.4.13}$$

Both the condition gets satisfied and so exactly one matrix A can be formed of Rank 1 with given conditions

Case 3: Matrix A of Rank 0

From equation (1.2.4.2), for the matrix to be in

row reduced echelon form,

$$a = 0$$

$$b = 0$$

$$c = 0$$

$$d = 0$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1.2.4.14)$$

Both the condition gets satisfied and so exactly one matrix **A** can be formed of Rank 0 with given conditions

Therefore matrix A shown in equation (1.2.4.7),(1.2.4.13) and (1.2.4.14) are the exactly three such matrices that can be formed with given conditions.

1.2.5. Prove that the interchange of two rows of a matrix can be accomplished by a finite sequence of elementary row operations of the other two types.

**Solution:** Let **A** be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with having row vectors  $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2$  and  $\mathbf{a}_3$ .

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.5.1}$$

Let's exchange row  $\mathbf{a}_1$  and  $\mathbf{a}_2$ . Let's call this elementary operation  $\mathbf{E}_1$ .

$$\mathbf{E}_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.5.2}$$

$$(1.2.5.3)$$

Now performing operation  $E_1$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.5.4)

Now, to prove that same matrix can be obtained by elementary operations let's call them  $E_2$  and  $E_3$ .Now performing operation  $E_2$  by adding row 2 to row 1.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.5.5}$$

Using elementary operation  $E_2$  we will subtract

row 1 from row 2.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 \\ -\mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.5.6)$$

Using elementary operation  $E_2$  we will add row 2 to row 1.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 \\ -\mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_2 \\ -\mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.5.7}$$

Using elementary operation  $E_3$  we will multiply row 2 by -1.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_2 \\ -\mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.5.8)

Hence, we can say that,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} (1.2.5.9)$$

Let us assume a matrix A

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.5.10}$$

Let's exchange row  $\mathbf{a}_1$  and  $\mathbf{a}_2$  by applying operation  $\mathbf{E}_1$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.5.11)$$

Now, to prove that same matrix can be obtained by other two elementary operations. We will first perform elementary operation  $\mathbf{E_2}$  by adding row 2 to row 1.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.5.12)$$

Using elementary operation  $E_2$  we will subtract

row 1 from row 2.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.5.13)

Using elementary operation  $E_2$  we will add row 2 to row 1.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.5.14)

Using elementary operation  $E_3$  we will multiply row 2 by -1.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.2.5.15)

Hence, we can say that,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1.2.5.16)$$

1.2.6. Consider the system of equations AX = 0 where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix over the field F. Prove the following -

- If every entry of **A** is 0, then every pair  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  is a solution of  $\mathbf{AX} = 0$ .
- If  $ad bc \neq 0$ , then the system  $\mathbf{AX} = 0$  has only the trivial solution  $x_1 = x_2 = 0$
- If ad bc = 0 and some entry of **A** is different from 0, then there is a solution  $x_1^0$  and  $x_2^0$  such that  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  is a solution if and only if there is a scalar y such that  $x_1 = yx_1^0$  and  $x_2 = yx_2^0$

**Solution:** Solution 1 If every entry of **A** is 0

then the equation AX = 0 becomes,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$
 (1.2.6.1)  

$$\implies 0.x_1 + 0.x_2 = 0 \forall x_1, x_2 \in F$$
 (1.2.6.2)

Hence proved, every pair  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  is a solution for the equation AX = 0. Solution 2 Case 1: Let a = 0. Since  $ad - bc \neq 0$ . As  $bc \neq 0$ therefore  $b \neq 0$  and  $c \neq 0$ . Hence, we can perform row reduction on the augmented matrix of equation AX=0 as follows,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b & 0 \\ c & d & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{c} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c & d & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.6.3)
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{b} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{d}{c} & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.6.4)
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{d}{c} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{d}{c} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.6.5)
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.6.6)

Case 2: Let  $a, b, c, d \neq 0$ . Considering the following case,

$$\mathbf{AX} = \mathbf{u} \tag{1.2.6.7}$$

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.6.8}$$

Row Reducing the augmented matrix of (1.2.6.8) we get,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{a} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b & u_1 \\ c & d & u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -c & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} & \frac{u_1}{a} \\ c & d & u_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{a}{ad-bc} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} & \frac{u_1}{a} \\ 0 & \frac{ad-bc}{a} & \frac{au_2-cu_1}{a} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{b}{a} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} & \frac{u_1}{a} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{au_2-cu_1}{ad-bc} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{au_2-cu_1}{ad-bc} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{du_1-bu_2}{ad-bc} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{au_2-cu_1}{ad-bc} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{du_1-bu_2}{ad-bc} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{au_2-cu_1}{ad-bc} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{du_1-bu_2}{ad-bc} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{au_2-cu_1}{ad-bc} \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{du_1-bu_2}{ad-bc} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{du_1-bu_2}{ad-bc} \end{pmatrix}$$

From (1.2.6.12) we get,

$$x_{1} = \frac{du_{1} - bu_{2}}{ad - bc}$$

$$x_{2} = \frac{au_{2} - cu_{1}}{ad - bc}$$
(1.2.6.13)
$$(1.2.6.14)$$

$$x_2 = \frac{au_2 - cu_1}{ad - bc} \tag{1.2.6.14}$$

Since  $u_1 = 0$  and  $u_2 = 0$  then from (1.2.6.13) and (1.2.6.14),

$$x_1 = 0 \tag{1.2.6.15}$$

$$x_2 = 0 (1.2.6.16)$$

Hence we get,

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.2.6.17}$$

In (1.2.6.6) and (1.2.6.17), we can see that AX = 0 has only one trivial solution i.e  $x_1 = x_2 = 0$  in all cases. Hence proved, the equation **AX**=0 has only one trivial solution  $x_1 = x_2 = 0$  Solution 3 Case 1: Let,  $a \neq 0$ for A. Given ad - bc = 0, we can perform row reduction on augmented matrix of equation AX = 0 as follows,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{a} & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b & 0\\ c & d & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0\\ -c & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} & 0\\ c & d & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad [\because ad - bc = 0]$$

$$(1.2.6.19)$$

Hence from (1.2.6.19), AX = 0 if and only if

$$x_1 = -\frac{b}{a}x_2 \qquad [a \neq 0] \tag{1.2.6.20}$$

Letting  $x_1^0 = -\frac{b}{a}$  and  $x_2^0 = 1$  we get for y = 1,

$$x_1 = yx_1^0 \tag{1.2.6.21}$$

$$x_2 = yx_2^0 (1.2.6.22)$$

which is a solution of the equation AX = 0. Case 2: Let,  $b \neq 0$  for A. Given ad - bc = 0, at first we multiply by elementary matrix to change the columns and the we can perform row reduction on augmented matrix of equation AX = 0 as follows.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & 0 \\ c & d & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b & a & 0 \\ d & c & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.6.23)

Hence using the result obtained from (1.2.6.19)

we can conclude for (1.2.6.23),  $\mathbf{AX} = 0$  if and only if

$$x_2 = -\frac{a}{b}x_1 \qquad [b \neq 0] \tag{1.2.6.24}$$

Letting  $x_2^0 = -\frac{a}{b}$  and  $x_1^0 = 1$  we get for y = 1,

$$x_1 = yx_1^0 (1.2.6.25)$$

$$x_2 = yx_2^0 (1.2.6.26)$$

which is a solution of the equation  $\mathbf{AX} = 0$ . **Case 3:** Let,  $c \neq 0$  for **A**. Given ad - bc = 0, we can perform row reduction on augmented matrix of equation  $\mathbf{AX} = 0$  as follows,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b & 0 \\ c & d & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{c} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c & d & 0 \\ a & b & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -a & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{d}{c} & 0 \\ a & b & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{d}{c} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad [\because ad - bc = 0]$$

$$(1.2.6.29)$$

Hence from (1.2.6.29),  $\mathbf{AX} = 0$  if and only if

$$x_1 = -\frac{d}{c}x_2 \qquad [a \neq 0] \tag{1.2.6.30}$$

Letting  $x_1^0 = -\frac{d}{c}$  and  $x_2^0 = 1$  we get for y = 1,

$$x_1 = yx_1^0 \tag{1.2.6.31}$$

$$x_2 = yx_2^0 (1.2.6.32)^{1}$$

which is a solution of the equation  $\mathbf{AX} = 0$ . **Case 4:** Let,  $d \neq 0$  for **A**. Given ad - bc = 0, at first we multiply by elementary matrix to change the columns and then we can perform row reduction on augmented matrix of equation  $\mathbf{AX} = 0$  as follows,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & 0 \\ c & d & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b & a & 0 \\ d & c & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.2.6.33)

$$= \begin{pmatrix} d & c & 0 \\ b & a & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2.6.34)$$

Hence using the result from (1.2.6.29) we can conclude for (1.2.6.34),  $\mathbf{AX} = 0$  if and only if

$$x_2 = -\frac{c}{d}x_1 \qquad [a \neq 0] \tag{1.2.6.35}$$

Letting  $x_2^0 = -\frac{c}{d}$  and  $x_1^0 = 1$  we get for y = 1,

$$x_1 = yx_1^0 (1.2.6.36)$$

$$x_2 = yx_2^0 (1.2.6.37)$$

which is a solution of the equation AX = 0.

1.3 Row Reduced Echelon Matrices

(1.2.6.32) 1.3.1. Find all solutions to the following system of equations by row-reducing the co-efficient matrix:

$$\frac{1}{3}x_1 + 2x_2 - 6x_3 = 0 (1.3.1.1)$$

$$-4x_1 + 5x_3 = 0 (1.3.1.2)$$

$$-3x_1 + 6x_2 - 13x_3 = 0 (1.3.1.3)$$

$$-\frac{7}{3}x_1 + 2x_2 - \frac{8}{3}x_3 = 0 (1.3.1.4)$$

**Solution:** The coefficient matrix is:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 2 & -6 \\ -4 & 0 & 5 \\ -3 & 6 & -13 \\ -\frac{7}{3} & 2 & -\frac{8}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.3.1.5)

The number of rows of this coefficient matrix is m = 4 and the number of columns is n = 3, So in this case, n < m. Now the row operations

are:

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\frac{1}{3} & 2 & -6 \\
-4 & 0 & 5 \\
-3 & 6 & -13 \\
-\frac{7}{3} & 2 & -\frac{8}{3}
\end{pmatrix}
\xrightarrow{R_4 \leftarrow R_4 \times 3}
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 6 & -18 \\
-4 & 0 & 5 \\
-3 & 6 & -13 \\
-7 & 6 & -8
\end{pmatrix}
\qquad \mathbf{I_3x} = 0 \qquad (1.3.1.15)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = 0 \qquad (1.3.1.16)$$

So.

$$\stackrel{R_3 \leftarrow R_2 + R_3}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 6 & -18 \\
-4 & 0 & 5 \\
-7 & 6 & -8 \\
-7 & 6 & -8
\end{pmatrix}
\stackrel{R_4 \leftarrow R_4 - R_3}{\longleftrightarrow}$$

(1.3.1.7)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 6 & -18 \\ -4 & 0 & 5 \\ -7 & 6 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + 4R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 6 & -18 \\ 0 & 24 & -67 \\ 0 & 48 & -138 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.3.1.8)

$$\stackrel{R_3 \leftarrow R_3/2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 6 & -18 \\
0 & 24 & -67 \\
0 & 24 & -69 \\
0 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}
\stackrel{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_2}{\longleftrightarrow}$$

(1.3.1.9)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 6 & -18 \\ 0 & 24 & -67 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow \frac{R_3}{(-2)}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 6 & -18 \\ 0 & 24 & -67 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.3.1.10)

$$\stackrel{R_2 \leftarrow \frac{R_2}{4}}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 6 & -18 \\ 0 & 6 & -\frac{67}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - R_2}{\longleftrightarrow}$$

(1.3.1.11)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 6 & -\frac{67}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow \frac{R_2}{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{67}{24} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1.3.1.12)$$

$$\xrightarrow[R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + \frac{5R_3}{4}]{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + \frac{5R_3}{4}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} (1.3.1.13)$$

Now,

$$A\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \tag{1.3.1.14}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -6 & 2 & -1 \\ -2 & 4 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.2.1}$$

For which  $(y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4)$  does the system of equations  $\mathbf{AX} = \mathbf{Y}$  have a solution? **Solution:** Given,

$$\mathbf{AX} = \mathbf{Y} \tag{1.3.2.2}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -6 & 2 & -1 \\ -2 & 4 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.3.2.3)

Now we try to find the matrix **B** such that **BA** gives the row echelon form of matrix **A** Here,**B** is given by ,

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{2}{3} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{2}{7} & -\frac{3}{7} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.3.2.4)

$$\mathbf{BA} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -6 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{7}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.2.5}$$

Therefore, rank of matrix **A** is 2 Now **B** is expressed in terms of two block matrices

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{B_1} \\ \mathbf{B_2} \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.2.6}$$

$$\mathbf{B_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{2}{2} & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.2.7}$$

$$\mathbf{B_2} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{7} & -\frac{3}{7} & 1 & 0\\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.3.2.8)

Multiplying matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  to both sides on the equation (1.3.2.2), we get,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{B_1} \\ \mathbf{B_2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{AX} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{B_1} \\ \mathbf{B_2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y} \tag{1.3.2.9}$$

We know that, matrix A is of rank 2 The

augumented matrix of (1.3.2.9) is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{B_1 A} & | & \mathbf{B_1 Y} \\ \mathbf{B_2 A} & | & \mathbf{B_2 Y} \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.2.10}$$

$$\mathbf{B_1A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -6 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{7}{3} & \frac{7}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.3.2.11)

$$\mathbf{B_2A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.2.12}$$

Since  $B_2A$  is zero matrix and for the given system AX = Y to have a solution,

$$\mathbf{B_2Y} = 0 \qquad (1.3.2.13)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{7} & -\frac{3}{7} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$
 (1.3.2.14)

The augumented matrix of (1.3.2.14) is given by,

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{7} & -\frac{3}{7} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.3.2.15)

By row reduction technique,

$$\stackrel{R_1 = -\frac{7}{2}R_1}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{7}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.3.2.16)

$$\stackrel{R_2=2R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{7}{2} & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 2 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.3.2.17)

$$\stackrel{R_1 = R_1 - \frac{3}{2}R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 2 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3.2.18)$$

Equation (1.3.2.14) can be modified as,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$
 (1.3.2.19)

Here  $y_3$  and  $y_4$  are free variables If  $y_3 = a$  and  $y_4 = b$ , then the solution to the system of equation  $\mathbf{AX} = \mathbf{Y}$  is given by,

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix} = a \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + b \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.3.2.20)

One of the solution when a = 1 and b = 2 is

given by,

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.3.2.21)

1.3.3. Suppose **R** and **R**' are  $2 \times 3$  row-reduced echelon matrices and that the system **RX**=0 and **R**'**X**=0 have exactly the same solutions. Prove that **R** = **R**'.

#### **Solution:**

Since **R** and **R**' are  $2 \times 3$  row-reduced echelon matrices they can be of following three types:-

a) Suppose matrix R has one non-zero row then RX=0 will have two free variables. Since R'X=0 will have the exact same solution as RX = 0, R'X=0 will also have two free variables. Thus R' have one non zero row. Now let's consider a matrix A with the first row as the non-zero row R and second row as the second row of R'.

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.1}$$

$$\mathbf{R}' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & c & d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.2}$$

(1.3.3.3)

Let X satisfy

$$\mathbf{RX} = 0 \tag{1.3.3.4}$$

$$(1 \quad \mathbf{a}^T) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$
 (1.3.3.5)

$$x + \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{y} = 0 \tag{1.3.3.6}$$

where

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.7}$$

$$\mathbf{R}'\mathbf{X} = 0 \tag{1.3.3.8}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{b}^T \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$
 (1.3.3.9)

$$x + \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{y} = 0 \tag{1.3.3.10}$$

where

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.11}$$

Subtracting (1.3.3.10) from (1.3.3.6),

$$x + \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{y} - x - \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{y} = 0$$
 (1.3.3.12)

$$(\mathbf{a}^T - \mathbf{b}^T)\mathbf{y} = 0 (1.3.3.13)$$

Since y is a  $2 \times 1$  vector,

$$\implies y_1 \mathbf{a} - y_2 \mathbf{b} = 0 \tag{1.3.3.14}$$

Which can be written as,

$$\mathbf{a} = k\mathbf{b} \tag{1.3.3.15}$$

where,  $k = \frac{y_2}{y_1}$  assuming  $y_1 \neq 0$ . Now, Substituting (1.3.3.15) in (1.3.3.6)

$$x + k\mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{y} = 0 \tag{1.3.3.16}$$

Comparing (1.3.3.16) with (1.3.3.10)

$$x + \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{y} = 0 \tag{1.3.3.17}$$

$$x + k\mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{y} = 0 \tag{1.3.3.18}$$

Hence k=1 which means  $y_1=y_2$  and from this we can say that  $\mathbf{a}=\mathbf{b}$ . If in the above case we take  $y_1=0$  then

$$y_1 \mathbf{a} - y_2 \mathbf{b} = 0 \tag{1.3.3.19}$$

$$y_2 \mathbf{b} = 0$$
 (1.3.3.20)

Hence for the (1.3.3.20) to be always true **b** should be zero. Now from (1.3.3.15) we will see that **a** will also be 0. Hence,  $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R}'$ 

b) Let **R** and **R**' have all rows as non zero.

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.21}$$

$$\mathbf{R}' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & e \\ 0 & 1 & f \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.22}$$

Let X satisfy

$$\mathbf{RX} = 0 \tag{1.3.3.23}$$

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{R}^T = 0 \tag{1.3.3.24}$$

Here,

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{a} \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.25}$$

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.3.3.26) 1.4 Matrix Multiplication

$$\mathbf{R}^T = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{a}^T \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.27}$$

Let,

$$\mathbf{X}^T = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y}^T & z \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.28}$$

where z is a scalar constant. Now, substituting (1.3.3.28) and (1.3.3.25) in (1.3.3.24)

$$(\mathbf{y}^T \quad z) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{a}^T \end{pmatrix} = 0$$
 (1.3.3.29)

$$\mathbf{y}^T + z\mathbf{a}^T = 0 \tag{1.3.3.30}$$

Now for,

$$\mathbf{R}'\mathbf{X} = 0 \tag{1.3.3.31}$$

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{R'}^T = 0 \tag{1.3.3.32}$$

Here,

$$\mathbf{R}' = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.33}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} e \\ f \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.34}$$

Let,

$$\mathbf{X}^T = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y}^T & z \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.3.3.35}$$

where z is a scalar constant. Now, substituting (1.3.3.35) and (1.3.3.33) in (1.3.3.32)

$$(\mathbf{y}^T \quad z) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{b}^T \end{pmatrix} = 0$$
 (1.3.3.36)

$$\mathbf{y}^T + z\mathbf{b}^T = 0 \tag{1.3.3.37}$$

Subtracting (1.3.3.37) from (1.3.3.30)

$$\mathbf{y}^T + z\mathbf{a}^T - \mathbf{y}^T - z\mathbf{b}^T = 0$$
 (1.3.3.38)

$$(\mathbf{a}^T - \mathbf{b}^T)z = 0$$
 (1.3.3.39)

$$\mathbf{a}^T = \mathbf{b}^T \tag{1.3.3.40}$$

c) Suppose matrix **R** have all the rows as zero then **RX**=0 will be satisfied for all values of **X**. We know that **R**'**X**=0 will have the exact same solution as **RX**=0 then we can say that for all values of **X**=0 equation **R**'**X**=0 will be satisfied.Hence, **R**'=**R**=0.

1.4 Matrix Multiplication
1.4.1. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.4.1.1)

Verify directly that  $A(AB) = A^2B$  Solution:

$$A^{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.4.1.2)

$$A^{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 5 & -2 & 3 \\ 6 & -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.4.1.3)

and

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.4.1.4)

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ 8 & 0 \\ 10 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.4.1.5}$$

Now RHS is

$$A^{2}B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 5 & -2 & 3 \\ 6 & -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.4.1.6)

$$A^2B = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -3\\ 20 & -4\\ 25 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.4.1.7}$$

Now LHS is

$$A(AB) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ 8 & 0 \\ 10 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.4.1.8)

$$A(AB) = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -3 \\ 20 & -4 \\ 25 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.4.1.9}$$

Hence verified.

1.4.2. Find two different  $2\times 2$  matrices **A** such that  $\mathbf{A}^2 = 0$  but  $\mathbf{A} \neq 0$ 

**Solution:** The matrix **A** can be given by,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{m} & \mathbf{n} \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.4.2.1}$$

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} n_1 \\ n_2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.4.2.2}$$

Now,

$$\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{0} \tag{1.4.2.3}$$

$$\implies$$
  $\mathbf{A}^2 = (\mathbf{Am} \ \mathbf{An}) = (\mathbf{0} \ \mathbf{0})$  (1.4.2.4)

**A** contains columns of matrix **A**. Also atleast one of the columns must be non-zero since given  $\mathbf{A} \neq 0$ . Thus, the null space of **A** contains non zero vectors,  $rank(\mathbf{A}) < 2$ . Hence, **A** is a singular matrix. This implies that the columns of **A** are linearly dependent.

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{1.4.2.5}$$

$$\left( \mathbf{m} \quad \mathbf{n} \right) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$
 (1.4.2.6)

$$x_1 \mathbf{m} + x_2 \mathbf{n} = 0 \tag{1.4.2.7}$$

$$\mathbf{n} = \frac{-x_1}{x_2} \mathbf{m} \tag{1.4.2.8}$$

$$\implies$$
 **n** =  $k$ **m** (1.4.2.9)

where  $\mathbf{m} \neq 0$  as  $\mathbf{A} \neq 0$ Now from (1.4.2.4),

$$\mathbf{Am} = 0$$
 (1.4.2.10)

$$m_1 \mathbf{m} + m_2 \mathbf{n} = 0 \tag{1.4.2.11}$$

$$(m_1 + km_2) \mathbf{m} = 0 (1.4.2.12)$$

Thus we get,  $m_1 = -km_2$ 

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -km_2 & -k^2m_2 \\ m_2 & km_2 \end{pmatrix}; m_2 \neq 0 \qquad (1.4.2.13)$$

(1.4.2.9) can be written as,

$$\implies \mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{k}\mathbf{n} \tag{1.4.2.14}$$

$$\implies$$
 **m** =  $c$ **n** (1.4.2.15)

where  $\mathbf{n} \neq 0$  as  $\mathbf{A} \neq 0$ From (1.4.2.4),

$$\mathbf{An} = 0$$
 (1.4.2.16)

$$n_1 \mathbf{m} + n_2 \mathbf{n} = 0 \tag{1.4.2.17}$$

$$(cn_1 + n_2)\mathbf{n} = 0 (1.4.2.18)$$

Thus we get,  $n_2 = -cn_1$ 

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} cn_1 & n_1 \\ -c^2n_1 & -cn_1 \end{pmatrix}; n_1 \neq 0 \qquad (1.4.2.19)$$

From (1.4.2.13), (1.4.2.19) two different  $2\times2$  matrices **A** can be given as,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.4.2.20}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.4.2.21}$$

From (1.4.2.4), we say that the the null space of 1.4.3. Let **A** be an  $m \times n$  matrix and **B** be an

 $n \times k$  matrix. Show that the columns of  $\mathbf{C} =$ **AB** are linear combinations of columns of **A.**If  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$  are the columns of **A** and  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_k$  are the columns of C then,

$$\gamma_{\mathbf{j}} = \sum_{r=1}^{n} B_{rj} \alpha_{\mathbf{r}}$$
 (1.4.3.1)

**Solution:** 

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB} \tag{1.4.3.2}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 & \dots & \gamma_k \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.4.3.3}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \dots & \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.4.3.4}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 & \beta_2 & \dots & \beta_k \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.4.3.5}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} & \dots & B_{1k} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} & \dots & B_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ B_{n1} & B_{n2} & \dots & B_{nk} \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.4.3.6)

By matrix multiplication, we can write

$$(\gamma_1 \quad \gamma_2 \quad \dots \quad \gamma_k) = (\mathbf{A}\beta_1 \quad \mathbf{A}\beta_2 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{A}\beta_k)$$

$$(1.4.3.7)$$

Consider  $\gamma_1$ 

$$\gamma_1 = \mathbf{A}\beta_1 \qquad (1.4.3.8)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \dots & \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} \\ B_{21} \\ \vdots \\ B_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.4.3.9) 1.4.5. Let,

$$= B_{11}\alpha_1 + B_{21}\alpha_2 + \ldots + B_{n1}\alpha_n \qquad (1.4.3.10)$$

Similarly, considering  $j^{th}$  column of C

$$\gamma_{\mathbf{j}} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{\mathbf{1}} & \alpha_{\mathbf{2}} & \dots & \alpha_{\mathbf{n}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_{1j} \\ B_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ B_{nj} \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.4.3.11)

$$= B_{1j}\alpha_1 + B_{2j}\alpha_2 + \ldots + B_{nj}\alpha_n \qquad (1.4.3.12)$$

$$\implies \gamma_{\mathbf{j}} = \sum_{r=1}^{n} B_{rj} \alpha_{\mathbf{r}} \qquad (1.4.3.13)$$

which proves that columns of C are linear combinations of columns of A

1.4.4. Let **A** and **B** be  $n \times n$  matrices such that AB = I. Prove that BA = I. Solution: Let BX = 0 be a system of linear equation with n unknowns and n equations as **B** is  $n \times n$  matrix. Hence,

$$\mathbf{BX} = 0 \tag{1.4.4.1}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{BX}) = 0 \tag{1.4.4.2}$$

$$\implies (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})\mathbf{X} = 0 \tag{1.4.4.3}$$

$$\implies$$
 **IX** = 0 [: **AB** = **I**] (1.4.4.4)

$$\implies \mathbf{X} = 0 \tag{1.4.4.5}$$

From (1.4.4.5) since  $\mathbf{X} = 0$  is the only solution of (1.4.4.1), hence  $rank(\mathbf{B}) = n$ . Which implies all columns of **B** are linearly independent. Hence **B** is invertible. Therefore, every left inverse of **B** is also a right inverse of **B**. Hence there exists a  $n \times n$  matrix C such that,

$$BC = CB = I$$
 (1.4.4.6)

Again given that AB = I. Hence,

$$\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I} \tag{1.4.4.7}$$

$$\implies$$
 **ABC** = **C** (1.4.4.8)

$$\implies$$
 **A**(**BC**) = **C** (1.4.4.9)

$$\implies$$
 **A** = **C** [:: **BC** = **I**] (1.4.4.10)

Hence using (1.4.4.10) and (1.4.4.6) we can write,

$$\mathbf{BA} = \mathbf{I} \tag{1.4.4.11}$$

Hence Proved.

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.4.5.1}$$

be a  $2\times2$  matrix. We inquire when it is possible to find  $2\times 2$  matrices **A** and **B** such that C=AB-BA. Prove that such matrices can be found if and only if  $C_{11} + C_{22} = 0$ . Solution: We have to find,

$$tr(\mathbf{C}) = C_{11} + C_{22} = tr(\mathbf{AB} - \mathbf{BA})$$
 (1.4.5.2)

$$\implies tr(\mathbf{C}) = tr(\mathbf{AB}) - tr(\mathbf{BA}) \quad (1.4.5.3)$$

We know that,

$$tr(\mathbf{AB}) = \sum_{i=1}^{2} (\mathbf{AB})_{ii}$$
 (1.4.5.4)

$$\implies \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{2} a_{ij} b_{ji} \qquad (1.4.5.5)$$

$$\implies \sum_{j=1}^{2} \sum_{i=1}^{2} b_{ji} a_{ij} \qquad (1.4.5.6)$$

$$\implies tr(\mathbf{AB}) = \sum_{j=1}^{2} \mathbf{BA}_{jj} \qquad (1.4.5.7)$$

$$\implies tr(\mathbf{AB}) = tr(\mathbf{BA})$$
 (1.4.5.8)

Substituting equation (1.4.5.8) to (1.4.5.3) we get

$$\implies tr(\mathbf{C}) = tr(\mathbf{AB}) - tr(\mathbf{BA}) = 0 \quad (1.4.5.9)$$

#### 1.5 Invertible Matrices

#### 1.5.1. Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.5.1.1}$$

For which **X** does there exist a scalar c such that AX = cX

Solution: Given

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.5.1.2}$$

The given matrix has single eigenvalue as it is the lower triangular matrix and has equal diagonal elements. Hence  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 5$ . To find the corresponding eigenvector, consider the following

$$(\mathbf{A} - c\mathbf{I})\mathbf{X} = 0 \tag{1.5.1.3}$$

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.5.1.4)

Solving the homogeneous system of linear equations by performing rref, we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} 30 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \longleftrightarrow R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 31 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.5.1.5)

Hence we get,

$$x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, x_3 = t$$
 (1.5.1.6)

where,  $x_3$  is arbitrary. Therefore,

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} t \tag{1.5.1.7}$$

Hence, the given matrix has single eigenvector and is not diagonalizable.

1.5.2. Discover whether

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.5.2.1}$$

is invertible, and find  $A^{-1}$  if it exists.

**Solution:** The matrix **A** is in row reduced echolon form with four pivot elements. Therefore the rank(**A**) is 4. Hence the rows of matrix **A** constitute of 4 linearly independent vectors. Thus it can be concluded that matrix **A** is invertible. Using Gauss-Jordan Elimination, if there exists an elimentary matrix **E** such that  $\mathbf{E}[\mathbf{A}\ \mathbf{I}] = [\mathbf{I}\ \mathbf{E}]$  then **E** is the inverse of **A** i.e  $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$ .

$$[\mathbf{A} \ \mathbf{I}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 4 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.5.2.2)

$$\stackrel{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 2 & 3 & 4 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 3 & 4 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix} (1.5.2.3)$$

$$\stackrel{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - R_3}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 3 & 4 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix} (1.5.2.4)$$

$$\stackrel{R_{3} \leftarrow R_{3} - R_{4}}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}$$

$$\stackrel{R_{4} \leftarrow \frac{R_{4}}{4}}{\longleftrightarrow} \stackrel{R_{2}}{\longleftrightarrow} \stackrel{R_{3}}{\longleftrightarrow} \stackrel{R_{3}}{\longleftrightarrow} \stackrel{R_{3}}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4}
\end{pmatrix}$$

$$= [I E]$$

$$(1.5.2.6)$$

Therefore, for the given problem,

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.5.2.7)

Generalization of above result to a matrix of any arbitrary size: Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \dots & a_N \\ 0 & a_2 & a_3 & \dots & a_N \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & a_N \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.5.2.8)

Then

$$\mathbf{E}_{1}\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{1} & a_{2} & a_{3} & \dots & a_{N} \\ 0 & a_{2} & a_{3} & \dots & a_{N} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & a_{N} \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{a_{1}} & -\frac{1}{a_{1}} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{a_{2}} & -\frac{1}{a_{2}} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{a_{3}} & -\frac{1}{a_{3}} & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{a_{N}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1.5.2.9)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & a_3 & \dots & a_N \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & a_N \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.5.2.10)

$$\mathbf{E}_{2}\mathbf{E}_{1}\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{1} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1.5 \cdot \beta \\ 0 & a_{2} & a_{3} & \dots & a_{N} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & a_{N} \end{pmatrix}$$
Suppose  $\mathbf{A}$  is a 2×1 matrix and  $\mathbf{B}$  is 1×2 matrix. Prove that  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}$  is non invertible. Solution: Let's take  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  to be non zero vectors. Now, we know that for  $\mathbf{C}$  to be non invertible  $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} = 0$  should have a non trivial solution So

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & & & & a_N \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.5.2.12)

Proceeding in similar manner, we get

$$\mathbf{E}_{N}\mathbf{E}_{N-1}\dots\mathbf{E}_{2}\mathbf{E}_{1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{2} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{3} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & a_{N} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1.5.2.13)$$

$$= \operatorname{diag} \begin{pmatrix} a_{1} & a_{2} & \dots & a_{N} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1.5.2.14)$$

$$\implies \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{U} \tag{1.5.2.15}$$

where 
$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{E}_1^{-1} \mathbf{E}_2^{-1} \dots \mathbf{E}_N^{-1}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{U}^{-1} \mathbf{L}^{-1} \qquad (1.5.2.16)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{a_1} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{a_2} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{a_3} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \frac{1}{a_N} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1.5.2.17)$$

Therefore

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{a_1} & -\frac{1}{a_1} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0\\ 0 & \frac{1}{a_2} & -\frac{1}{a_2} & 0 & \dots & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{a_3} & -\frac{1}{a_3} & \dots & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{a_N} \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.5.2.18)

From (1.5.2.18) for the above problem

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.5.2.19)

invertible Cx = 0 should have a non trivial solution.So.

$$\mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} = 0$$
 (1.5.3.1)

$$\implies \mathbf{ABx} = 0 \tag{1.5.3.2}$$

Here, we know that **B** is  $1 \times 2$  matrix and **x** is  $2 \times 1$  matrix then **Bx** will result to a scalar constant k.

$$\implies \mathbf{A}k = 0 \tag{1.5.3.3}$$

For (1.5.3.3) to be true k should be zero. We also know that **B** is  $1 \times 2$  matrix i.e. rows are less than column hence,

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{x} = 0$$
 (1.5.3.4)

will have a non trivial solution. Hence, using (1.5.3.3) and (1.5.3.4) we can say,

$$ABx = 0$$
 (1.5.3.5)

will have a non trivial solution so, C is non invertible.

- 1.5.4. Let **A** be an  $n \times n$  (square) matrix, Prove the following two statements:
  - a) If **A** is invertible and  $\mathbf{AB} = 0$  for some  $n \times n$  matrix **B**, then  $\mathbf{B} = 0$ .
  - b) If **A** is not invertible, then there exists an  $n \times n$  matrix **B** such that AB = 0 but  $B \neq 0$ .

#### **Solution:**

a) Given **A** is an invertible matrix and  $\mathbf{AB} = 0$  then,

$$\mathbf{AB} = 0 \tag{1.5.4.1}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\mathbf{AB}) = 0 \tag{1.5.4.2}$$

$$\implies (\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A})\mathbf{B} = 0 \tag{1.5.4.3}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{IB} = 0 \quad [\because \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}]$$
(1.5.4.4)

$$\implies \mathbf{B} = 0 \tag{1.5.4.5}$$

b) If **A** is not invertible, then there exists an  $n \times n$  matrix **B** such that  $\mathbf{AB} = 0$  but  $\mathbf{B} \neq 0$ . Since **A** is not invertible,  $\mathbf{AX} = 0$  must have a non-trivial solution. Let the non-trivial solution be,

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.5.4.6}$$

Let **B** which is an  $n \times n$  matrix have all its columns as **y**.

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y} & \mathbf{y} & \cdots & \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.5.4.7}$$

From equation (1.5.4.7), we can say that  $\mathbf{B} \neq 0$  but  $\mathbf{AB} = 0$ 

1.5.5. Let A be a  $m \times n$  matrix. Show that by a

finite number of elementary row and/or column operations one can pass from A to a matrix R which is both row-reduced echelon and column-reduced echelon, i.e.,  $R_{ij} = 0$  if  $i \neq j$ ,  $R_{ii} = 1$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq r$ ,  $R_{ii} = 0$ , if i > r. Show that R = PAQ, where P is an invertible  $m \times m$  matrix and Q is an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix.

#### **Solution:**

Lemma Every elementary matrix is invertible and the inverse is again an elementary matrix. If an elementary matrix E is obtained from I by using a certain row or column operation q, then  $E^{-1}$  is obtained from I by the "inverse" operation  $q^{-1}$ .

Solution Given **A** is a  $m \times n$  matrix. Converting **A** into row reduced echelon form by performing a series of elementary row operations **P**. Let **R'** be the row reduced echelon matrix. Also, by using the lemma we can tell that **P** is invertible and order  $m \times m$ .

$$\mathbf{R}' = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{A} \tag{1.5.5.1}$$

where,

$$\mathbf{R'} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{F} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

I is an identity matrix, F is Free variables matrix and 0 represents a block of zeroes

 $\mathbf{R}'$  is in row-reduced echelon form. To perform column operations, elementary matrices should be multiplied on the right side in order to convert the  $\mathbf{R}'$  into column-reduced echelon form

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R}'\mathbf{O} \tag{1.5.5.2}$$

But performing column operations on a matrix is equivalent to performing row operations on the transposed matrix.

$$\mathbf{R}^{T} = (\mathbf{R}'\mathbf{Q})^{T}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{R}^{T} = \mathbf{Q}^{T}\mathbf{R}'^{T}$$
(1.5.5.3)

Hence, by using lemma it can be observed that  $\mathbf{Q}^T$  is invertible and of the order  $n \times n$ . Converting  $\mathbf{R}^T$  to row-reduced echelon is equivalent to converting  $\mathbf{R}$  to column-reduced echelon.

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{PAQ} \tag{1.5.5.4}$$

where,

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.5.5.5}$$

I is an identity matrix and 0 represents a block of zeroes. Q is a upper triangular matrix. R in (1.5.5.4) is in both row and column reduced echelon form. Hence proved. Example Let,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 & 7 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.5.5.6}$$

To convert (1.5.5.6) into row reduced echelon form, **A** has to be multiplied by **P** 

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.5.5.7}$$

$$\mathbf{R}' = \mathbf{PA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.5.5.8)

 $\mathbf{R}'$  is in row reduced echelon form. To convert (1.5.5.8) into column-reduced echelon form, elementary operations have to be performed on  $\mathbf{R}'^T$ . By multiplying all the elementary matrices,

$$\mathbf{Q}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.5.5.9}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.5.5.10)

So **PAQ** is in both row-reduced and column-reduced echelon form.

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{PAQ} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.5.5.11}$$

The inverses of  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$  are,

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{Q}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.5.5.12)

#### 2 Vector Spaces

(1.5.5.6) *2.1 Vector Spaces* 

2.1.1. If **F** is a field, verify that vector space of all ordered n-tuples  $\mathbf{F}^n$  is a vector space over the field  $\mathbf{F}$ .

**Solution:** Let  $\mathbf{F}^n$  be a set of all ordered n-tuples over  $\mathbf{F}$  i.e

$$\mathbf{F}^n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} : a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbf{F} \right\}$$
 (2.1.1.1)

For  $\mathbf{F}^n$  to be a vector space over  $\mathbf{F}$  it must satisfy the closure property of vector addition and scalar multiplication.

#### **Vector Addition in \mathbf{F}^n:**

Let  $\alpha = (a_i)$  and  $\beta = (b_i) \ \forall \ i = 1, 2, \dots, n \in \mathbf{F}^n$  then

$$\alpha + \beta = (a_i) + (b_i) \qquad (2.1.1.2)$$

$$= \left(a_i + b_i\right) \tag{2.1.1.3}$$

Since

$$a_i + b_i \in \mathbf{F} \ \forall \ i = 1, 2, \cdots, n$$
 (2.1.1.4)

$$\implies \alpha + \beta \in \mathbf{F}^n$$
 (2.1.1.5)

#### Scalar multiplication in $F^n$ over F:

Let  $\alpha = (a_i) \ \forall \ i = 1, 2, \dots, n \in \mathbb{F}^n$  and  $a \in \mathbb{F}$  then

$$a\alpha = (aa_i) \tag{2.1.1.6}$$

Since

$$aa_i \in \mathbf{F} \ \forall \ i = 1, 2 \cdots, n$$
 (2.1.1.7)

$$\implies a\alpha \in \mathbf{F}^n$$
 (2.1.1.8)

#### Associativity of addition in $F^n$ :

Let 
$$\alpha = (a_i)$$
,  $\beta = (b_i)$ ,  $\gamma = (g_i) \ \forall \ i = 1, 2, \dots, n \in \mathbb{F}^n$  then

$$\alpha + (\beta + \gamma) = (a_i) + (b_i + g_i)$$
 (2.1.1.9)  
=  $(a_i + b_i + g_i)$  (2.1.1.10)  
=  $(a_i + b_i) + (g_i)$  (2.1.1.11)  
=  $(\alpha + \beta) + \gamma$  (2.1.1.12)

# Existence of additive identity in $\mathbf{F}^n$ :

We have 
$$\mathbf{0} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbf{F}^n \text{ and } \alpha = (a_i) \ \forall \ i = a_i$$

 $1, 2, \cdots, n \in \mathbf{F}^n$  then

$$(a_i) + (0) = (a_i + 0)$$
 (2.1.1.13)  
=  $(a_i)$  (2.1.1.14)

Therefore  $\mathbf{0}$  is the additive identity in  $\mathbf{F}^n$ .

### Existence of additive inverse of each element of $\mathbf{F}^n$ :

If  $\alpha = (a_i) \ \forall \ i = 1, 2, \dots, n \in \mathbf{F}^n$  then Hence  $\mathbf{F}^n$  is a vector space over  $\mathbf{F}$ .

(a)  $\in \mathbf{F}^n$  Also we have  $(-a_i) \in \mathbf{F}^n$ . Also we have

$$\left(-a_i\right) + \left(a_i\right) = \mathbf{0} \tag{2.1.1.15}$$

Therefore  $-\alpha = (-a_i)$  is the additive inverse of  $\alpha$ . Thus  $\mathbf{F}^n$  is an abelian group with respect to addition.

Futher we observe that

a) If  $a \in \mathbf{F}$  and  $\alpha = (a_i)$ ,  $\beta = (b_i) \ \forall \ i = 1, 2, \dots, n \in \mathbf{F}^n$  then

$$a(\alpha + \beta) = a(a_i + b_i)$$
 (2.1.1.16)

$$= (a[a_i + b_i])$$
 (2.1.1.17)  

$$= (aa_i + ab_i)$$
 (2.1.1.18)  

$$(aa_i) + (ab_i)$$
 (2.1.1.19)  

$$= a(a_i) + a(b_i)$$
 (2.1.1.20)  

$$= a(a_i) + a(a_i)$$
 (2.1.1.21)

$$= a\left(a_i\right) + a\left(b_i\right) \tag{2.1.1.20}$$

$$= a\alpha + a\beta \tag{2.1.1.21}$$

then

$$(a+b)\alpha = ([a+b]a_i)$$
 (2.1.1.22)

$$= \left(aa_i + ba_i\right) \tag{2.1.1.23}$$

$$= (aa_i) + (ba_i) \tag{2.1.1.24}$$

$$= a(a_i) + b(a_i)$$
 (2.1.1.25)

$$= a\alpha + b\alpha \tag{2.1.1.26}$$

c) If  $a,b \in \mathbf{F}$  and  $\alpha = (a_i) \ \forall \ i = 1, 2, \dots, n \in \mathbf{F}^n$ 

$$(ab)\alpha = ([ab]a_i) \tag{2.1.1.27}$$

$$= \left(a[ba_i]\right) \tag{2.1.1.28}$$

$$= a \left( b a_i \right) \tag{2.1.1.29}$$

$$= a(b\alpha) \tag{2.1.1.30}$$

d) If 1 is the unity element of **F** and  $\alpha$  =  $(a_i) \ \forall \ i = 1, 2, \cdots, n \in \mathbf{F}^n \text{ then}$ 

$$1\alpha = (1a_i) \tag{2.1.1.31}$$

$$= (a_i) \tag{2.1.1.32}$$

$$= \alpha \tag{2.1.1.33}$$

Hence  $\mathbf{F}^n$  is a vector space over  $\mathbf{F}$ .

$$(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4) = [\alpha_2 + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_1)] + \alpha_4$$
(2.1.2.1)

**Solution:** Using property of commutativity of (+) in  $\mathbf{V}$ 

$$(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4) = (\alpha_2 + \alpha_1) + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4)$$
(2.1.2.2)

Using property of associativity of (+) in V

$$(\alpha_2 + \alpha_1) + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4) = \alpha_2 + [\alpha_1 + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4)]$$
(2.1.2.3)

Using property of commutativity of (+) in V

$$\alpha_2 + [\alpha_1 + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4)] = \alpha_2 + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_1) + \alpha_4$$
(2.1.2.4)

Using property of associativity of (+) in V

$$\alpha_2 + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_1) + \alpha_4 = [\alpha_2 + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_1)] + \alpha_4$$
(2.1.2.5)

b) If  $a,b \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $\alpha = (a_i) \ \forall \ i = 1, 2, \dots, n \in \mathbb{F}^n$  2.1.3. Let V be the set of all pairs (x,y) of real numbers and let F be the field of real numbers.

Define

$$(x, y) + (x_1, y_1) = (x + x_1, y + y_1)$$
 (2.1.3.1)  
 $c(x, y) = (cx, y)$  (2.1.3.2)

Is V with these operations, a vector space over 2.1.5. Let V be the set of pairs (x, y) of real numbers the field of real numbers?

**Solution:**  $V = \{(x,y) \mid x,y \in R\}$ , consider u = $(x_1, y_1) \in V, a, b, c \in R$ . Axioms with respect to addition and scalar multiplication.

a)

$$(a+b)u = (a+b)(x_1, y_1)$$
 (2.1.3.3)

$$= ((a+b)x_1, y_1) \neq au + bu \qquad (2.1.3.4)$$

Since V with the given operations the equation (2.1.3.4) contradicts the axioms of scalar multiplication. Hence it is not vector space over real number with these operations.

2.1.4. If  $\mathbb{C}$  is the field of complex numbers, which

vectors in  $\mathbb{C}^3$  are linear combinations of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ?

**Solution:** Expressing the given vectors as the columns of a matrix.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.1.4.1}$$

The row reduced echelon form of the matrix on performing elementary row operations can be given as,

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{A} \tag{2.1.4.2}$$

where C is the product of elementary matrices,

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.1.4.3}$$

Thus we get,

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.1.4.4}$$

From (2.1.4.4),  $rank(\mathbf{A}) = 3$ . Thus  $\mathbf{A}$  is a full rank matrix. Hence the columns of A are linearly independent i.e., the given vectors are linearly independent and forms the basis for

 $\mathbb{C}^3$ .

Hence any vector  $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{C}^3$  can be written as the

linear combinations of 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
,  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

and let F be the field of real numbers. Define

$$(x,y) + (x_1, y_1) = (x + x_1, 0)$$
 (2.1.5.1)

$$c(x, y) = (cx, 0)$$
 (2.1.5.2)

Is V, with these operations, a vector space? **Solution:** V is a vector space if it satisfies all properties of the vector space. Let us consider the property of Existence of additive identity. According to Existence of additive identity, there is a unique vector **0** in **V** called the zero vector, such that  $\alpha + \mathbf{0} = \alpha$  for all  $\alpha$  in  $\mathbf{V}$ .

Let 
$$u = (x_1, y_1) \in \mathbf{V}$$

$$u + \mathbf{0} = (x_1, y_1) + (0, 0)$$

$$= (x_1 + 0, 0)$$

$$= (x_1, 0)$$

$$\neq u$$
(2.1.5.3)

From (2.1.5.3), there does not exist an additive identity for V.

Hence **V** is not a vector space.

2.1.6. Let V be the set of all complex-valued functions f on the real line such that

$$f(-t) = \overline{f(t)} \tag{2.1.6.1}$$

The bar denotes complex conjugation. Show that  $\mathbb{V}$ , with the operations

$$(f+g)(t) = f(t) + g(t)$$
 (2.1.6.2)

$$(cf)(t) = cf(t)$$
 (2.1.6.3)

is a vector space over the field of real numbers. Give an example of a function in V which is not real valued.

**Solution:** To prove that V with the given operations is a vector space over the field of real numbers, we have to start by proving that additivity and homogeneity both hold true. So, we have to prove that (cf+g)(t) is equal to cf(t)+g(t).

$$(cf+g)(t)$$
 (2.1.6.4)

$$= (cf)(t) + g(t)$$
 (2.1.6.5)

$$= cf(t) + g(t) (2.1.6.6)$$

Now, we know that  $f(-t) = \overline{f(-t)}$  and so (cf+g)(t) should also satisfy the property,

$$(cf + g)(-t)$$
 (2.1.6.7)

$$= cf(-t) + g(-t)$$
 (2.1.6.8)

$$= c\overline{f(t)} + \overline{g(t)} \tag{2.1.6.9}$$

$$= \overline{cf(t) + g(t)}$$
 (2.1.6.10)

$$= \overline{(cf+g)(t)} \tag{2.1.6.11}$$

**Example** Let's take f(x)=a+ix

$$f(1) = a + i \tag{2.1.6.12}$$

Hence, f(x) is not real valued. Now,

$$f(x) = a + ix (2.1.6.13)$$

$$f(-x) = a - ix (2.1.6.14)$$

$$f(-x) = \overline{f(x)}$$
 (2.1.6.15)

Since a and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , so  $f \in \mathbb{V}$ 

# 2.2 Subspaces

# 2.2.1. Let **W** be the set of all $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$ in $\mathbb{R}^5$ which satisfy

$$2x_1 - x_2 + \frac{4}{3}x_3 - x_4 = 0 (2.2.1.1)$$

$$x_1 + \frac{2}{3}x_3 - x_5 = 0$$
 (2.2.1.2)

$$9x_1 - 3x_2 + 6x_3 - 3x_4 - 3x_5 = 0 (2.2.1.3)$$

Find a finite set of vectors which spans **W**. **Solution:** The given equations are,

$$2x_1 - x_2 + \frac{4}{3}x_3 - x_4 = 0 (2.2.1.4)$$

$$x_1 + \frac{2}{3}x_3 - x_5 = 0$$
 (2.2.1.5)

$$9x_1 - 3x_2 + 6x_3 - 3x_4 - 3x_5 = 0 (2.2.1.6)$$

which can be written as,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & \frac{4}{3} & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} & 0 & -1 \\ 9 & -3 & 6 & -3 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0$$
 (2.2.1.7)

Now, the augmented matrix,

$$\begin{pmatrix}
2 & -1 & \frac{4}{3} & -1 & 0 & 0 \\
1 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} & 0 & -1 & 0 \\
9 & -3 & 6 & -3 & -3 & 0
\end{pmatrix}$$
(2.2.1.8)

$$\stackrel{R_3=R_3-3R_1-3R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & \frac{4}{3} & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(2.2.1.9)

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 = R_2 - \frac{1}{2}R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & \frac{4}{3} & -1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2.2.1.10)$$

$$\stackrel{R_2=2R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & \frac{4}{3} & -1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2.2.1.11)$$

$$\stackrel{R_1=R_1+R_2}{\longleftrightarrow} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} & 0 & -2 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(2.2.1.12)

So,

$$2x_1 + \frac{4}{3}x_3 - 2x_5 = 0 (2.2.1.13)$$

$$x_2 + x_4 - 2x_5 = 0 (2.2.1.14)$$

Solving the equations we get,

$$x_1 = -\frac{2}{3}x_3 + x_5 \tag{2.2.1.15}$$

$$x_2 = -x_4 + 2x_5 \tag{2.2.1.16}$$

which can be written as,

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2.1.17}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{3}x_3 + x_5 \\ -x_4 + 2x_5 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.2.1.18)

$$= x_3 \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.2.1.19)

where  $x_3, x_4$  and  $x_5 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Hence, the vectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ will span } \mathbf{W}$$

- 2.2.2. Let **F** be a field and let n be a positive integer  $(n\geq 2)$ . Let V be the vector space of all  $n\times n$ matrices over **F**. Which of the following set of matrices A in V are subspaces of V?
  - a) all invertible A:
  - b) all non-invertible A;
  - c) all A such that AB = BA, where B is some fixed matrix in **V**;
  - d) all **A** such that  $A^2 = A$ .

#### **Solution:**

a) Let the matrices A and  $B \in V$ , be set of invertible matrix. For them to be a subspace they need to be closed under addition. Let,

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I} \tag{2.2.2.1}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = -\mathbf{I} \tag{2.2.2.2}$$

It could be easily proven that both matrices

A and B are invertible as,

$$rank(\mathbf{I}_{nxn}) = rank \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{nxn}$$

$$(2.2.2.3)$$

$$\implies rank(-\mathbf{I}_{nxn}) = rank(\mathbf{I}_{nxn}) = n$$

or it is a full rank matrix as there are n pivots.

$$\therefore \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}. \tag{2.2.2.5}$$

But the zero matrix **0** is non-invertible as,

$$rank(\mathbf{0}_{nxn}) = rank \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{nxn}$$

$$(2.2.2.6)$$

$$\implies rank(\mathbf{0}_{nxn}) = 0$$

$$(2.2.2.7)$$

- : the set of invertible matrices are not closed under addition. Hence not a subspace of V.
- b) Let the matrices  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \in V$ , be set of non-invertible matrix. For them to be a subspace they need to be closed under addition. Let,

$$\mathbf{A_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{\mathbf{PM}}$$
 (2.2.2.8)

$$\mathbf{A_{1}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{nxn}$$

$$\mathbf{A_{2}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{nxn}$$

$$(2.2.2.8)$$

$$\mathbf{A_n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{nxn}$$
 (2.2.2.10)

It could be proven that matrices  $A_1$ ,

 $A_2, \dots, A_n$  are non-invertible as,

$$rank(\mathbf{A_1}) = rank \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2.2.2.12)$$

$$\implies rank(\mathbf{A_1}) = 1$$

$$(2.2.2.13)$$

or there is only one pivot hence rank is 1.

$$\implies \mathbf{A_1} + \mathbf{A_2} + \mathbf{A_3} + \cdots + \mathbf{A_n} = \mathbf{I}_{nxn}$$
(2.2.2.14)

Now the identity matrix I is invertible as shown in equation (2.2.2.4). ∴ the set of non-invertible matrices are not closed under addition. Hence not a subspace of V.

c) **Theorem 1:**. A non-empty subset W of V is a subspace of V if and only if for each pair of vectors  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  in W and each scalar  $c \in F$ , the vector  $c\alpha + \beta \in W$ .

Let the matrices  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  satisfy,

$$A_1B = BA_1 (2.2.2.15)$$

$$A_2B = BA_2$$
 (2.2.2.16)

Let,  $c \in \mathbf{F}$  be any constant.

$$\therefore (c\mathbf{A_1} + \mathbf{A_2})\mathbf{B} = c\mathbf{A_1}\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A_2}\mathbf{B} \quad (2.2.2.17)$$

Substituting from equations (2.2.2.15) and (2.2.2.16) to (2.2.2.17),

$$\Rightarrow (c\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2)\mathbf{B} = c\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}_2$$

$$(2.2.2.18)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{B}c\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}_2$$

$$(2.2.2.19)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{B}(c\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2)$$

$$(2.2.2.20)$$

Thus,  $(cA_1 + A_2)$  satisfy the criteria and from Theorem-1 it can be seen that the set is a subspace of V.

d) Let A and  $B \in V$  be set of matrices such that,

$$\mathbf{A}^2 = \mathbf{A} \tag{2.2.2.21}$$

$$\mathbf{B^2} = \mathbf{B} \tag{2.2.2.22}$$

Now for them to be closed under addition,

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^2 = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$$
 (2.2.2.23)

Which is not always same. Example let,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2.2.24}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.2.2.25}$$

Clearly,

$$\mathbf{A}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A}$$

$$(2.2.2.26)$$

$$\mathbf{B}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{B}$$
(2.2.2.27)

Now,

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2.2.2.28)$$

$$\implies (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2.2.2.29)$$

Hence, clearly from equations (2.2.2.28) and (2.2.2.29),

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^2 \neq \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$$
 (2.2.2.30)

 $\therefore$  the set of all A such that  $A^2 = A$  is not closed under addition. Hence, not a subspace of V.

 $\implies \mathbf{B}c\mathbf{A_1} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A_2}$  (2.2.2.18)  $2.2.3. \text{ Let } \mathbf{W_1} \text{ and } \mathbf{W_2} \text{ be subspaces of a vector space}$   $\mathbf{V} \text{ such that}$ 

$$\mathbf{W_1} + \mathbf{W_2} = \mathbf{V} \tag{2.2.3.1}$$

and 
$$W_1 \cap W_2 = 0$$
 (2.2.3.2)

Prove that for each vector  $\alpha$  in V there are unique vectors  $\alpha_1$  in  $W_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  in  $W_2$  such that

$$\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \tag{2.2.3.3}$$

**Solution:** Suppose, vectors  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  are not unique.

Consider

$$\alpha_1' \in \mathbf{W_1}, \tag{2.2.3.4}$$

$$\alpha_1' \in \mathbf{W}_2 \tag{2.2.3.5}$$

such that 
$$\alpha = \alpha'_1 + \alpha'_2$$
 (2.2.3.6)

(2.2.3.3) and (2.2.3.6) indicate

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = \alpha_1' + \alpha_2' \tag{2.2.3.7}$$

$$\implies \alpha_1 - \alpha_1' = \alpha_2' - \alpha_2 \tag{2.2.3.8}$$

For  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha'_1$  lying in subspace  $W_1$ , defined on field  $\mathbb{F}$ , the following holds

$$\alpha_1 + c\alpha_1' \in \mathbf{W}_1, c \in \mathbb{F} \tag{2.2.3.9}$$

$$c = -1 \implies \alpha_1 - \alpha_1' \in \mathbf{W_1} \qquad (2.2.3.10)$$

Similarly, 
$$\alpha'_{2} - \alpha_{2} \in \mathbf{W}_{2}$$
 (2.2.3.11)

$$(2.2.3.8) \implies \alpha_1 - \alpha_1' \in \mathbf{W_2} \qquad (2.2.3.12)$$

(2.2.3.2),(2.2.3.10),(2.2.3.12) indicate

$$\alpha_{1} - \alpha'_{1} = \alpha'_{2} - \alpha_{2} = 0$$
 (2.2.3.13)  
 $\implies \alpha_{1} = \alpha'_{1}$  (2.2.3.14)  
 $\alpha_{2} = \alpha'_{2}$  (2.2.3.15)

$$\implies \alpha_1 = \alpha_1' \qquad (2.2.3.14)$$

$$\alpha_2 = \alpha_2' \qquad (2.2.3.15)$$

So, there exists a unique  $\alpha_1 \in W_1$  and  $\alpha_2 \in W_2$ such that

$$\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \tag{2.2.3.16}$$

where  $\alpha \in \mathbf{V}$ 

#### 2.3 Bases and Dimension

2.3.1. Let V be a vector space over a subfield F of complex numbers. Suppose  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are linearly independent vectors in V. Prove that  $(\alpha+\beta),(\beta+\gamma)$  and  $(\gamma+\alpha)$  are linearly independent.

> **Solution:** Let  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  be three n× 1 dimensional vectors. We need to prove that,

$$(\alpha + \beta \quad \beta + \gamma \quad \gamma + \alpha) \mathbf{x} = 0 \qquad (2.3.1.1)$$

will only have a trivial solution. The above equation can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \gamma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = 0 \qquad (2.3.1.2)$$

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^T \\ \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \\ \boldsymbol{\gamma}^T \end{pmatrix} = 0 \qquad (2.3.1.3)$$

Since,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are independent.

$$\mathbf{x}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \tag{2.3.1.4}$$

In the above equation we can see that the  $3 \times 3$  matrix has linearly independent rows and hence will have a trivial solution. So,  $\mathbf{x}$  is a zero vector. Hence,  $(\alpha+\beta)$ ,  $(\beta+\gamma)$  and  $(\gamma+\alpha)$  are linearly independent.