

## Solutions to Exercises

## Exercise 1.

(a)

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```
>> M = [-3 -2 2 -2; -1 -3 1 -3; 1 -2 1 -2]
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M =

-3	-2	2	-2
-1	-3	1	-3
1	-2	1	-2

```
>> M([1 3], :) = M([3 1], :)
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M =

1	-2	1	-2
-1	-3	1	-3
-3	-2	2	-2

```
>> M(2, :) = M(2, :) + M(1, :)
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M =

1	-2	1	-2
0	-5	2	-5
-3	-2	2	-2

```
>> M(3, :) = M(3, :) + 3*M(1, :)
```

M =

1	-2	1	-2
0	-5	2	-5
0	-8	5	-8

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>> M(2, :) = M(2, :)/(-5)
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M =

1.0000	-2.0000	1.0000	-2.0000
0	1.0000	-0.4000	1.0000
0	-8.0000	5.0000	-8.0000

```
>> M(3, :) = M(3, :) + 8*M(2, :)
```

M =

1.0000	-2.0000	1.0000	-2.0000
0	1.0000	-0.4000	1.0000
0	0	1.8000	0

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(b)

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>> M = [-2 -2 2 1; 1 0 5 -1; 3 2 3 -2]
M =
    -2    -2     2     1
     1     0     5    -1
     3     2     3    -2

>> M([1 2], :) = M([2 1], :)
M =
     1     0     5    -1
    -2    -2     2     1
     3     2     3    -2

>> M(2, :) = M(2, :) + 2*M(1, :)
M =
     1     0     5    -1
     0    -2    12    -1
     3     2     3    -2

>> M(3, :) = M(3, :) - 3*M(1, :)
M =
     1     0     5    -1
     0    -2    12    -1
     0     2   -12     1

>> M(3, :) = M(3, :) + M(2, :)
M =
     1     0     5    -1
     0    -2    12    -1
     0     0     0     0

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Hence  $-2y + 12z = -1$ . Let  $z = t$ , then  $y = 6t + 1/2$ , and  $x = -1 - 5z = -1 - 5t$ .

(c)

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>> M=[-1 0 3 1 2; 2 3 -3 1 2; 2 -2 -2 -1 -2]
M =
    -1     0     3     1     2
     2     3    -3     1     2
     2    -2    -2    -1    -2

>> M([2 3],:) = M([2 3],:) + 2*M([1 1],:)
M =
    -1     0     3     1     2
     0     3     3     3     6
     0    -2     4     1     2

>> M(3,:) = M(3,:) + M(2,:)*2/3
M =
    -1     0     3     1     2
     0     3     3     3     6
     0     0     6     3     6
```

Hence, from row 3,  $2x_3 + x_4 = 2$ , or  $x_3 = 1 - x_4/2$ . From row 2,  $x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 2$ , or  $x_2 = 1 - x_4/2$ , and from row 1,  $x_1 = -2 + 3x_3 + x_4$ , or  $x_1 = 1 - x_4/2$ .

(d)

```
>> M = [3 -3 1 3 -3; 1 1 -1 -2 3; 4 -2 0 1 0]
M =
     3    -3     1     3    -3
     1     1    -1    -2     3
     4    -2     0     1     0

>> M([1 2],:) = M([2 1],:)
M =
     1     1    -1    -2     3
     3    -3     1     3    -3
     4    -2     0     1     0

>> M([2 3],:) = M([2 3],:) - diag([3 4])*M([1 1],:)
M =
     1     1    -1    -2     3
     0    -6     4     9    -12
     0    -6     4     9    -12

>> M(3,:) = M(3,:) - M(2,:)
M =
     1     1    -1    -2     3
     0    -6     4     9    -12
     0     0     0     0     0
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Hence, from row 2,  $x_2 = 2 + \frac{2}{3}x_3 + \frac{3}{2}x_4$  and from row 1,  $x_1 = 3 - x_2 + x_3 + 2x_4 = 1 + \frac{1}{3}x_3 + \frac{1}{2}x_4$ .

[Exercise 1](#)

**Exercise 2.**

(a)

```

>> syms a b c
>> M = [1 -2 4 a; 2 1 -1 b; 3 -1 3 c]

M =

[ 1, -2, 4, a]
[ 2, 1, -1, b]
[ 3, -1, 3, c]

>> M(2,:) = M(2,:) - 2*M(1,:)

M =

[ 1, -2, 4, a]
[ 0, 5, -9, b - 2*a]
[ 3, -1, 3, c]

>> M(3,:) = M(3,:) - 3*M(1,:)

M =

[ 1, -2, 4, a]
[ 0, 5, -9, b - 2*a]
[ 0, 5, -9, c - 3*a]

>> M(3,:) = M(3,:) - M(2,:)

M =

[ 1, -2, 4, a]
[ 0, 5, -9, b - 2*a]
[ 0, 0, 0, c - b - a]

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Thus, for the system to be consistent, we need  $c - b - a = 0$ .

(b)

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```
>> syms a b c
>> M = [1 -1 2 a; 2 4 -3 b; 4 2 1 c]

M =

[ 1, -1, 2, a]
[ 2, 4, -3, b]
[ 4, 2, 1, c]

>> M(2,:) = M(2,:) - 2*M(1,:)

M =

[ 1, -1, 2, a]
[ 0, 6, -7, b - 2*a]
[ 4, 2, 1, c]

>> M(3,:) = M(3,:) - 4*M(1,:)

M =

[ 1, -1, 2, a]
[ 0, 6, -7, b - 2*a]
[ 0, 6, -7, c - 4*a]

>> M(3,:) = M(3,:) - M(2,:)

M =

[ 1, -1, 2, a]
[ 0, 6, -7, b - 2*a]
[ 0, 0, 0, c - b - 2*a]
```

Thus, for the system to be consistent, we need  $c - b - 2a = 0$ .

[Exercise 2](#)

**Exercise 4.**

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} k & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & k & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & k & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & k & 0 \\ 1 & k & 1 & 0 \\ k & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & k & 0 \\ 0 & k-1 & 1-k & 0 \\ 0 & 1-k & 1-k^2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & k & 0 \\ 0 & k-1 & 1-k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1-k^2+1-k & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

- For unique solution, need  $k^2 + k - 2 \neq 0, \Rightarrow k \neq 1$  and  $k \neq -2$
- For one-parameter solution set, need  $k^2 + k - 2 = 0$  and  $|1 - k| \neq 0, \Rightarrow k = -2$ .
- For two-parameter solution set, need  $k^2 + k - 2 = 0$  and  $|1 - k| = 0, \Rightarrow k = 1$ .

[Exercise 4](#)

**Exercise 5.** Form the system and solve for  $a_0, a_1$  and  $a_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 12 &= a_0 + a_1(1) + a_2(1)^2 \\ 15 &= a_0 + a_1(2) + a_2(2)^2 \\ 16 &= a_0 + a_1(3) + a_2(3)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Solving, we have

```
>> M = [1 1 1 12; 1 2 4 15; 1 3 9 16]
```

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M =
```

```
    1    1    1   12
    1    2    4   15
    1    3    9   16
```

```
>> M(2,:) = M(2,:) - M(1,:)
```

```
M =
```

```
    1    1    1   12
    0    1    3    3
    1    3    9   16
```

```
>> M(3,:) = M(3,:) - M(1,:)
```

```
M =
```

```
    1    1    1   12
    0    1    3    3
    0    2    8    4
```

```
>> M(3,:) = M(3,:) - 2*M(2,:)
```

```
M =
```

```
    1    1    1   12
    0    1    3    3
    0    0    2   -2
```

and by back substitution gives  $a_2 = -1$ ,  $a_1 = 6$  and  $a_0 = 7$ .

[Exercise 5](#)

## Exercise 6.

```

>> syms a b c
>> M = [-2 3 1 a; 1 1 -1 b; 0 5 -1 c]

M =

[ -2, 3, 1, a]
[  1, 1, -1, b]
[  0, 5, -1, c]

>> M([1 2], :) = M([2 1], :)

M =

[  1, 1, -1, b]
[ -2, 3, 1, a]
[  0, 5, -1, c]

>> M(2, :) = M(2, :) + 2*M(1, :)

M =

[ 1, 1, -1, b]
[ 0, 5, -1, a + 2*b]
[ 0, 5, -1, c]

>> M(3, :) = M(3, :) - M(2, :)

M =

[ 1, 1, -1, b]
[ 0, 5, -1, a + 2*b]
[ 0, 0, 0, c - 2*b - a]

```

- (a) it is clear from above that, to be consistent, we need  $c - 2b - a = 0$ .
- (b) thus, if  $c - 2b - a \neq 0$ , the system is not consistent.
- (c) many solutions, since there are two equations with three unknowns.
- (d) for example, choose  $a = b = c = 0$ , then if the variables are denoted by  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ , then one solution is by setting  $z = 1$ , then  $x = \frac{4}{5}$  and  $y = \frac{1}{5}$ .

Exercise 6



## Exercise 7.

(a)

$M = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 & -3 \\ 1 & -4 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 & -3 \\ 1 & -4 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} -2.0000 & 2.0000 & -1.0000 & 2.0000 \\ 0 & 3.0000 & 3.0000 & -3.0000 \\ 0 & -3.0000 & 1.5000 & 3.0000 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} -2.0000 & 2.0000 & -1.0000 & 2.0000 \\ 0 & 3.0000 & 3.0000 & -3.0000 \\ 0 & 0 & 4.5000 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	$M = \begin{pmatrix} -2.0000 & 0 & 0 & 4.0000 \\ 0 & 3.0000 & 0 & -3.0000 \\ 0 & 0 & 4.5000 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 & 0 & 0 & -2.0000 \\ 0 & 3.0000 & 0 & -3.0000 \\ 0 & 0 & 4.5000 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 & 0 & 0 & -2.0000 \\ 0 & 1.0000 & 0 & -1.0000 \\ 0 & 0 & 4.5000 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
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(b)

$M = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -3 & -4 & -2 \\ -4 & 2 & 1 & -4 \\ -1 & -3 & 1 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -3 & -4 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & -6 \\ -1 & -3 & 1 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} 4.0000 & -3.0000 & -4.0000 & -2.0000 \\ 0 & -1.0000 & -3.0000 & -6.0000 \\ 0 & -3.7500 & 0 & -4.5000 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} 4.0000 & -3.0000 & -4.0000 & -2.0000 \\ 0 & -1.0000 & -3.0000 & -6.0000 \\ 0 & 0 & 11.2500 & 18.0000 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} 4.0000 & -3.0000 & -4.0000 & -2.0000 \\ 0 & -1.0000 & 0 & -1.2000 \\ 0 & 0 & 11.2500 & 18.0000 \end{pmatrix}$	$M = \begin{pmatrix} 4.0000 & -3.0000 & 0 & 4.4000 \\ 0 & -1.0000 & 0 & -1.2000 \\ 0 & 0 & 11.2500 & 18.0000 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} 4.0000 & 0 & 0 & 8.0000 \\ 0 & -1.0000 & 0 & -1.2000 \\ 0 & 0 & 11.2500 & 18.0000 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 & 0 & 0 & 2.0000 \\ 0 & -1.0000 & 0 & -1.2000 \\ 0 & 0 & 11.2500 & 18.0000 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 & 0 & 0 & 2.0000 \\ 0 & 1.0000 & 0 & 1.2000 \\ 0 & 0 & 11.2500 & 18.0000 \end{pmatrix}$ $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 & 0 & 0 & 2.0000 \\ 0 & 1.0000 & 0 & 1.2000 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & 1.6000 \end{pmatrix}$
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(c) The above were produced by the MATLAB script below:

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```
% RRE via Gaussian Elimination
% Straight forward, No error checking
% No pivoting

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M = [-2 2 -1 2; 0 3 3 -3; 1 -4 2 2];
M = [4 -3 -4 -2; -4 2 1 -4; -1 -3 1 -4]

[N, zob] = size(M);

for j = 1:N-1
    for i=j+1:N, M(i,:) = M(i,:) - M(j,:)*M(i,j)/M(j,j), end
end

for j = N:-1:2
    for i=j-1:-1:1, M(i,:) = M(i,:) - M(j,:)*M(i,j)/M(j,j), end
end

for i=1:N
    M(i,:) = M(i, :)/M(i,i)
end
```

Exercise 7

Exercise 8. Straightforward.

```
>> A = [2 0 -1; 1 0 -2]
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```
A =
```

```
    2    0   -1
    1    0   -2
```

```
>> B = [-3 1 1; -3 1 1]
```

```
B =
```

```
   -3    1    1
   -3    1    1
```

```
>> C = [3 -1; -1 -3]
```

```
C =
```

```
    3   -1
   -1   -3
```

```
>> 2*A'-B'
```

```
ans =
```

```
    7    5
   -1   -1
   -3   -5
```

```
>> B'-2*A
```

```
Error using -
Matrix dimensions must agree.
```

```
>> A*B'
```

```
ans =
```

```
   -7   -7
   -5   -5
```

```
>> B*A'
```

```
ans =
```

```
   -7   -5
   -7   -5
```

```
>> (A'+B')*C
```

```
ans =
```

```
   -1    7
    2   -4
    1    3
```

```
>> C*(A'+B')
```

```
Error using *
Inner matrix dimensions must agree.
```

```
>> (A'*C)*B
```

```
ans =
```

```
    0    0    0
    0    0    0
   -18    6    6
```

```
>> (A'*B')*C
```

```
Error using *
Inner matrix dimensions must agree.
```

Exercise 8

**Exercise 10.**

**Short Answer** Straightforward. See answer in the tutorial sheet.

**Longer Answer** If  $A$  is a  $n \times n$  matrix, then we have,  $\det(\alpha A) = \alpha^n \det(A)$ . Also  $\det(A^{-1}) = 1/\det(A)$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\det(3A) &= 3^3 \det(A) = 3^3 \times 10 = 270. \\ \det(2A^{-1}) &= 2^3 \det(A^{-1}) = 2^3 / \det(A) = 2^3 / 10 = 4/5. \\ \det((2A)^{-1}) &= 1/\det(2A) = 1/(2^3 \det(A)) = 1/80.\end{aligned}$$

[Exercise 10](#)

**Exercise 11.**

$$\begin{aligned}\det \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 8 & 2 \\ -1 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} &= -\det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -4 & 2 \\ 2 & 8 & 2 \\ -6 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -2 \\ 2 & 8 & 2 \\ -6 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 28 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= -\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 28 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= -168\end{aligned}$$

[Exercise 11](#)

**Exercise 12.**

$$E : R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_1; \quad F : R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + R_2$$

$EF$  means  $F$ , then  $E$ , giving

$$F : R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + R_2$$

$$E : R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_1 = R_2 + R_1 + R_2$$

$FE$  means  $E$ , then  $F$ , giving

$$E : R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_1$$

$$F : R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + R_2 = R_1 + R_2 + R_1$$

Hence  $EF \neq FE$ .

[Exercise 12](#)

**Exercise 14.**

$$(a) \ E = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad |E| = -1, \quad E^{-1} = E$$

$$(b) \ E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad |E| = 5, \quad E^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) \ E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad |E| = 1, \quad E^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise 14

**Exercise 15.**

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\begin{bmatrix} -6 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 8 & 2 \\ -1 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} & E_1: R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \\
& \sim \\
& \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 & 2 \\ -6 & 4 & 5 \\ -1 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
& E_2: R_1 \leftarrow 0.5 * R_1 \\
& \sim \\
& \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 \\ -6 & 4 & 5 \\ -1 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
& E_3: R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + 6R_1 \\
& \sim \\
& \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 28 & 11 \\ -1 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
& E_4: R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + R_1 \\
& \sim \\
& \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 28 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}
\end{array}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 28 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} &= E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1 \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 8 & 2 \\ -1 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
\Rightarrow \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 28 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) &= \det(E_4) \det(E_3) \det(E_2) \det(E_1) \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 8 & 2 \\ -1 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\
\Rightarrow \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 8 & 2 \\ -1 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) &= \frac{\det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 28 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right)}{\det(E_4) \det(E_3) \det(E_2) \det(E_1)} = \frac{28 * 3}{(1)(1)(0.5)(-1)} = -168
\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 15



**Exercise 16.**

- (a) Matrix  $A$  is pre- and post-multiplied by elementary matrices. With  $n = 1$ , the post-multiplication matrix interchanges columns 1 and 3, while the pre-multiplication matrix interchanges rows 1 and 3. If we first perform the post-multiplication, then we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{13} & a_{12} & a_{11} \\ a_{23} & a_{22} & a_{21} \\ a_{33} & a_{32} & a_{31} \end{bmatrix},$$

pre-multiplication gives the end result as

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} a_{33} & a_{32} & a_{31} \\ a_{23} & a_{22} & a_{21} \\ a_{13} & a_{12} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

Alternatively, pre-multiplication first gives

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \end{bmatrix},$$

followed by post-multiplication giving the same end result

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} a_{33} & a_{32} & a_{31} \\ a_{23} & a_{22} & a_{21} \\ a_{13} & a_{12} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) With  $n$  odd, e.g., when  $n = 3$ , rows/columns 1 and 3 will be interchanged three times, and this is the same as interchanging rows/columns 1 and 3 once. Hence, the answer is same as Part (i).

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} a_{33} & a_{32} & a_{31} \\ a_{23} & a_{22} & a_{21} \\ a_{13} & a_{12} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

Pre-multiplication change the sign of determinant, and post-multiplication again change the sign of the determinant. Hence the determinant of  $B = |A| = 5$ .

- (c) With  $n$  even, e.g., when  $n = 2$ , rows/columns 1 and 3 will be interchanged twice and no change will be made to matrix  $A$ . Hence  $B = A$ , and  $|B| = |A| = 5$ .

Exercise 16

**Exercise 17.**

**Short Answer** As explained in the answer in the tutorial sheet.

**Longer Answer** By expanding along the first row

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{vmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{vmatrix} &= 1 \det \begin{vmatrix} I_{n-1} & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{vmatrix} \\ &\vdots \\ &= \underbrace{1 \times 1 \times \dots 1}_{n \text{ times}} \det(B) = \det(B) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, by expanding along the last row

$$\det \begin{vmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & I_m \end{vmatrix} = 1 \det \begin{vmatrix} A & C_{m-1} \\ 0 & I_{m-1} \end{vmatrix} = \dots = \det(A)$$

Since

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & I_m \end{bmatrix}$$

and we have  $\det(XY) = \det(X) \det(Y)$ . Thus

$$\det(P) = \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & I_m \end{bmatrix}\right) = \det(B) \det(A) = \det(A) \det(B)$$

[Exercise 17](#)

**Exercise 18.**

(a)  $U = E_2 E_1 A \Rightarrow A = (E_2 E_1)^{-1} U = LU$  where  $L = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1}$

$$E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

By inspection Since inverse is an UNDO operation

$$E_1^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E_2^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence

$$L = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ 1/2 & 1 & & \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1 & \\ -1/2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)  $U = E_2 E_1 A \Rightarrow A = (E_2 E_1)^{-1} U = LU$  where  $L = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1}$

$$E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

By inspection

$$E_1^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E_2^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence

$$L = E_1^{-1} E_2^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ 1/2 & 1 & & \\ -1/2 & -1 & 1 & \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise 18

**Exercise 19.**

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} a & b & 1 & 0 \\ c & d & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow a^{-1}R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & a^{-1}b & a^{-1} & 0 \\ c & d & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
& \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - cR_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & a^{-1}b & a^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \underbrace{d - ca^{-1}b}_{\Delta} & -ca^{-1} & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow \Delta^{-1}R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & a^{-1}b & a^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\Delta^{-1}ca^{-1} & \Delta^{-1} \end{array} \right] \\
& \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - a^{-1}bR_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & a^{-1} + a^{-1}b\Delta^{-1}ca^{-1} & -a^{-1}b\Delta^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 & -\Delta^{-1}ca^{-1} & \Delta^{-1} \end{array} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, if  $a \neq 0$  and  $\Delta \neq 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left[ \begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ c & d \end{array} \right]^{-1} = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} a^{-1} + a^{-1}b\Delta^{-1}ca^{-1} & -a^{-1}b\Delta^{-1} \\ -\Delta^{-1}ca^{-1} & \Delta^{-1} \end{array} \right] = a^{-1}\Delta^{-1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc} \Delta + bca^{-1} & -b \\ -c & a \end{array} \right] \\
& = \dots = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \left[ \begin{array}{cc} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{array} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

and the formula works even if  $a = 0$  so long as  $ad - bc \neq 0$ .

(b) For block partition matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}$ , the steps are essentially the same, except that one has to be careful with multiplication of matrices, i.e.  $AB \neq BA$  in general.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} A & B & I & 0 \\ C & D & 0 & I \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow A^{-1}R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} I & A^{-1}B & A^{-1} & 0 \\ C & D & 0 & I \end{array} \right] \\
& \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - CR_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} I & A^{-1}B & A^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \underbrace{D - CA^{-1}B}_{\Delta} & -CA^{-1} & I \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow \Delta^{-1}R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} I & A^{-1}B & A^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & I & -\Delta^{-1}CA^{-1} & \Delta^{-1} \end{array} \right] \\
& \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - A^{-1}bR_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} I & 0 & A^{-1} + A^{-1}B\Delta^{-1}CA^{-1} & -A^{-1}B\Delta^{-1} \\ 0 & I & -\Delta^{-1}CA^{-1} & \Delta^{-1} \end{array} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, if  $A^{-1}$  and  $\Delta^{-1}$  exist, we have

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc} A & B \\ C & D \end{array} \right]^{-1} = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} A^{-1} + A^{-1}B\Delta^{-1}CA^{-1} & -A^{-1}B\Delta^{-1} \\ -\Delta^{-1}CA^{-1} & \Delta^{-1} \end{array} \right]$$

Exercise 19

**Exercise 20.** Please go through with the class the relevant pages in the lecture notes.

[Exercise 20](#)

**Exercise 21.**

$$(a) \quad (-1) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + (-1) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + (3) \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) \quad \text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{b}_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$AB = A \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 & \mathbf{b}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A\mathbf{b}_1 & A\mathbf{b}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 3\mathbf{a}_1 + 2\mathbf{a}_2$$

$$A\mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = 2\mathbf{a}_1 + 5\mathbf{a}_2$$

(c) All linear combinations of the three vectors can be represented as

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

In order that the above has a solution (i.e., one can solve for  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$  and  $c_3$ ), we need the condition:  $3a - b + c = 0$ . In other words, the linear combinations of the three vectors can only form vector  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \end{bmatrix}^T$  where  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  satisfy  $3a - b + c = 0$ .

Exercise 21

**Exercise 22.****Short Answer**

(a) Yes, since

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Yes, since

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + 9 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) As explain in the answer in the tutorial sheet.

**Longer Answer**

Row space of  $A$  is the set of vectors generated by taking linear combinations of the rows of  $A$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y \end{bmatrix} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 & x \\ -1 & 1 & -3 & y \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 & x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & x+y \end{array} \right]$$

always has solution for any  $x, y$ . Therefore  $\text{row}(A) = \mathcal{R}^2$ .

Similarly, for column space of  $A$ , repeat the above steps, now looking at columns of  $A$  instead.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & x \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 3 & -3 & z \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & x \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 0 & 0 & z-3x \end{array} \right]$$

Thus, need  $z - 3x = 0$  so that the system has solution.

Exercise 22

**Exercise 23.**

(a)

$$\alpha_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_3 = 0.$$

Hence linearly independent.

(b)

$$\alpha_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_3 = 0.$$

Hence linearly independent.

(c)

$$\alpha_1 p(x) + \alpha_2 q(x) + \alpha_3 h(x) = 0$$

$$\alpha_1(1+x) + \alpha_2(1-x) + \alpha_3(1-x^2) = 0 + 0x + 0x^2$$



$\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_3 = 0.$

Hence linearly independent.

[Exercise 23](#)

**Exercise 24.**

(a)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = \alpha_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 0 & -3 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & 6 \\ 0 & -6 & -6 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 6 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Unique solution, hence spanned.

(b)

$$2 - 3x + x^2 = \alpha_1(1 + x) + \alpha_2(1 + x^2)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{array} \right]$$

There is no solution, hence not spanned.

Exercise 24

**Exercise 25.** By definition, the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$  are LI iff the equation

$$c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + c_2\mathbf{v}_2 + c_3\mathbf{v}_3 = 0$$

has  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$  as the only solution.

Re-writing the above equation in terms of  $\mathbf{w}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} c_1(\mathbf{w}_2 + \mathbf{w}_3) + c_2(\mathbf{w}_1 + \mathbf{w}_3) + c_3(\mathbf{w}_1 + \mathbf{w}_2) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (c_2 + c_3)\mathbf{w}_1 + (c_1 + c_3)\mathbf{w}_2 + (c_1 + c_2)\mathbf{w}_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3$  are LI, the above implies that

$$c_2 + c_3 = 0, c_1 + c_3 = 0, c_1 + c_2 = 0$$

or equivalently in matrix notation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Solving, we get  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$ , hence proved.

[Exercise 25](#)

**Exercise 26.** If  $A$  is a  $m \times n$  matrix, then  $\text{rank}(A) + \text{nullity}(A) = n$ . Since  $A$  is  $3 \times 5$ , the  $\text{rank}(A)$  can take values of 1, 2 or 3, and hence the possible values for  $\text{nullity}(A) = 4, 3$  or 2 respectively. The  $\text{rank}(A)$  can at most be 3, and hence there can be at most 3 independent columns. Thus the columns of  $A$  must be dependent. [Exercise 26](#)

**Exercise 27.** See proof in lecture notes:  $AP = PD$  where  $D$  is a diagonal matrix containing the eigenvalues of matrix  $A$ , and  $P$  is a matrix containing the corresponding eigenvectors of  $A$ . Hence  $A$  is diagonalisable, i.e.  $D = P^{-1}AP$  if  $P$  is invertible, which implies that the eigenvectors of  $A$  need to be linearly independent. [Exercise 27](#)

**Exercise 28.**

(a)

$$|\lambda I - A| = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & \lambda - 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda + 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 0, 2, -1$$

(b) No, because we don't know yet whether the eigenvectors are linearly independent. Yes, if the students know the fact that since the eigenvalues are distinct, the eigenvectors will be linearly independent; but this fact is not covered in the class.

(c) Straightforward to compute the eigenvectors. For example, set  $\lambda_1 = 0$ , and solve for  $\mathbf{v}_1$ :

$$(\lambda_1 I - A)\mathbf{v}_1 = 0, \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0, \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

Thus,

$$x_2 = x_3 = 0, \text{ and } x_1 \text{ arbitrary. Hence } v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Similarly, set  $\lambda_2 = 2$ , and solve for  $\mathbf{v}_2$ :

$$(\lambda_2 I - A)\mathbf{v}_2 = 0, \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0, \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

Thus,

$$x_1 = x_3 = 0, \text{ and } x_2 \text{ arbitrary. Hence } v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Finally, set  $\lambda_3 = -1$ , and solve for  $\mathbf{v}_3$ :

$$(\lambda_3 I - A)\mathbf{v}_3 = 0, \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0, \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

Thus,

$$x_2 = 0, \text{ and } x_1 = -2x_3. \text{ Hence } v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) To check whether the eigenvectors are linearly independent, we can form

$$c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + c_3 \mathbf{v}_3 = 0$$

and solve for  $c_1, c_2$  and  $c_3$ . If  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$  is the only solution, then the eigenvectors are linearly independent; otherwise, not.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0, \Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0, \text{ hence the eigenvectors are LI.}$$

(e) Yes, because the eigenvectors are LI, and hence the matrix  $P = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \mathbf{v}_3]$  is invertible, so one can write  $D = P^{-1}AP$ , where  $D$  is a diagonal matrix containing the eigenvalues of  $A$ .

$$(f) \ P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise 28

**Exercise 29.**

(a)

$$|\lambda I - A| = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & \lambda - 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2(\lambda - 1)^2 = 0, \Rightarrow \lambda = 0, 0, 1, 1$$

(b) No, because we don't know yet whether the eigenvectors are linearly independent.

(c) Straightforward to compute the eigenvectors. For example, set  $\lambda_1 = 0$ , and solve for  $\mathbf{v}_1$ :

$$(\lambda_1 I - A)\mathbf{v}_1 = 0, \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & - & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = 0, \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

Thus,

$$x_1 = -x_3, \text{ let } x_3 = \alpha, x_2 = -x_1 - x_3 = 0, \text{ and } x_4 \text{ arbitrary, let } x_4 = \beta.$$

$$\text{Hence, } \mathbf{v}_1 = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ i.e., there are two LI eigenvectors for } \lambda_1 = 0.$$

Similarly, set  $\lambda_2 = 1$ , and solve for  $\mathbf{v}_2$ :

$$(\lambda_2 I - A)\mathbf{v}_2 = 0, \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = 0, \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

$$\text{Thus, } x_1 = x_3 = x_4 = 0, \text{ and } x_2 \text{ arbitrary. Hence } \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(d) There is a repeated eigenvectors for  $\lambda = 1$ . So the eigenvectors are not LI.(e) Yes,  $A$  is not diagonalisable because its eigenvectors are not LI.

Exercise 29



**Exercise 30.**

(a) Since

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+b \\ a+b \end{bmatrix} = (a+b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

hence,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvalue  $a+b$ .

(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = (a-b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , hence  $(a-b)$  is another eigenvalue of  $A$  and the corresponding eigenvector is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(c)  $A$  can be diagonalised by  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , i.e.  $P^{-1}AP = \begin{bmatrix} a+b & 0 \\ 0 & a-b \end{bmatrix}$ .

[Exercise 30](#)

**Exercise 31.** From the information given, we can write

$$B \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = -2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } B \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix},$$

or, equivalently

$$B \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

In general, we can write

$$BP = PD$$

where  $D$  is the diagonal matrix containing the eigenvalues of  $B$ , and the columns of  $P$  contains the corresponding eigenvectors.

If  $P$  is invertible, and  $P = \alpha P^{-T}$  where  $\alpha$  is a non-zero scalar, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} B &= PDP^{-1} \\ &= (\alpha P^{-T})D(\alpha P^{-T})^{-1} \\ &= \alpha P^{-T}D\alpha^{-1}P^T \\ &= P^{-T}DP^T \\ &= (PDP^{-1})^T \\ &= B^T \end{aligned}$$

Thus, if  $P$  is invertible and  $P = \alpha P^{-T}$  where  $\alpha$  is a non-zero scalar, then we can conclude that  $B = B^T$ , i.e.,  $B$  is symmetric, without needing to compute  $B$ .

Exercise 31

**Exercise 32.** First, let's investigate how the eigenvalues of  $P$  are related to the eigenvalues of  $A$  and  $B$ .

$$\begin{vmatrix} (\lambda I - A) & -C \\ 0 & (\lambda I - B) \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow |\lambda I - A| \cdot |\lambda I - B| = 0$$

Thus, we conclude that eigenvalues of  $P$  are the eigenvalues of  $A$  and  $B$ , i.e.,

$$\text{eig}(P) = \text{eig}(A) \cup \text{eig}(B).$$

Next, let's investigate how the eigenvectors are related.

Let  $\mathbf{v}_A$  and  $\mathbf{v}_B$  be eigenvectors of  $A$  and  $B$  respectively, i.e.,  $A\mathbf{v}_A = \lambda_A\mathbf{v}_A$  and  $B\mathbf{v}_B = \lambda_B\mathbf{v}_B$ , or equivalently,  $(\lambda_A I - A)\mathbf{v}_A = 0$  and  $(\lambda_B I - B)\mathbf{v}_B = 0$ . Let also  $\mathbf{v}_P$  be the eigenvectors of  $P$  and we partition  $\mathbf{v}_P = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \end{bmatrix}$  so that the following matrix-vector multiplications make sense.

For simplicity, assume that  $A$  and  $B$  do not share the same eigenvalues.

- (a) Let's find the eigenvectors of  $P$  correspond to eigenvalues  $\lambda_A$ , i.e., for what  $\mathbf{v}_P$  so that  $P\mathbf{v}_P = \lambda_A\mathbf{v}_P$ ?

$$P\mathbf{v}_P = \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A\mathbf{v}_1 + C\mathbf{v}_2 \\ B\mathbf{v}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_A\mathbf{v}_1 \\ \lambda_A\mathbf{v}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

From the above,  $B\mathbf{v}_2 = \lambda_A\mathbf{v}_2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{v}_2 = 0$ . Substituting  $\mathbf{v}_2 = 0$  into  $A\mathbf{v}_1 + C\mathbf{v}_2 = \lambda_A\mathbf{v}_1$ , we have  $A\mathbf{v}_1 = \lambda_A\mathbf{v}_1 \Rightarrow \mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{v}_A$ .

Thus we conclude that for eigenvalues  $\lambda_A$ , the corresponding eigenvector of  $P$  are

$$\mathbf{v}_P = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_A \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) Similarly, let's now find the eigenvectors of  $P$  correspond to eigenvalues of  $\lambda_B$ , i.e., for what  $\mathbf{v}_P$  so that  $P\mathbf{v}_P = \lambda_B\mathbf{v}_P$ ?

$$P\mathbf{v}_P = \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A\mathbf{v}_1 + C\mathbf{v}_2 \\ B\mathbf{v}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_B\mathbf{v}_1 \\ \lambda_B\mathbf{v}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

From the above,  $B\mathbf{v}_2 = \lambda_B\mathbf{v}_2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{v}_B$ . Substituting  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{v}_B$  into  $A\mathbf{v}_1 + C\mathbf{v}_2 = \lambda_B\mathbf{v}_1$ , we have

$$A\mathbf{v}_1 + C\mathbf{v}_B = \lambda_B\mathbf{v}_1 \Rightarrow \mathbf{v}_1 = (\lambda_B I - A)^{-1}C\mathbf{v}_B, \quad \text{assuming the inverse exists.}$$

Thus we conclude that for eigenvalues  $\lambda_B$ , the corresponding eigenvector of  $P$  are

$$\mathbf{v}_P = \begin{bmatrix} (\lambda_B I - A)^{-1}C\mathbf{v}_B \\ \mathbf{v}_B \end{bmatrix}.$$

The following MATLAB code demonstrate the above claims

```
% eigenvalues and eigenvectors of
% block diagonal matrices

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clear all
m=2; n=3; %choose the dimensions of A and B matrices

A=rand(m,m);
B=rand(n,n);
C=rand(m,n);
P=[A C; zeros(n,m) B];

% this line shows that
% eig(P) = eig(A) union eig(B)
[sort(eig(P))' ;
 sort([eig(A); eig(B)])')]

[Va,Da]=eig(A);
[Vb,Db]=eig(B);
[Vp,Dp]=eig(P);

% this line shows that P has eigenvector
% [Va; zeros(n,1)]
[Vp(:,1:m) [Va; zeros(n,m)]]

for i=1:n
    x(:,i) = [inv(Db(i,i)*eye(m,m)-A)*C*Vb(:,i); Vb(:,i)];
    x(:,i) = x(:,i)/x(1,i);
    Vp_normalised(:,i) = Vp(:,m+i)/Vp(1,m+i);
end

% this line show that P has eigenvector
% [ inv(Db*eye(m,m)-A)*C*Vb ; Vb]
[Vp_normalised x]
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Exercise 32

**Exercise 33.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5}{50} & \frac{5}{100} \\ \frac{5}{50} & -\frac{5}{100} \end{bmatrix}$  giving eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors

$$\lambda_1 = -\frac{3}{20}, \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_2 = 0, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$P = [\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2], \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then original system can be de-coupled and solved as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{y}} &= A\mathbf{y} = PDP^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\ \Rightarrow P^{-1}\dot{\mathbf{y}} &= DP^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\ \Rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{w}} &= D\mathbf{w} \text{ where } \mathbf{w} = P^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{w} &= e^{Dt}\mathbf{w}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \\ c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

where we have let  $\mathbf{w}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Thus

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = P\mathbf{w}(t) = [\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2] \begin{bmatrix} c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \\ c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{bmatrix} = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \mathbf{v}_2$$

Given the initial conditions  $y_1(0) = 8$  and  $y_2(0) = 0$ , we can solve for  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  as follows:

$$\mathbf{y}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

giving  $c_1 = -16/3$  and  $c_2 = 8/3$ .

In conclusion

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{-16}{3} e^{-\frac{3}{20}t} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{8}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise 33

**Exercise 34.** The matrix  $T$  has eigenvalues and eigenvectors

$$\lambda_1 = 1, \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} q/p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_2 = 1 - p - q, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence  $T = PDP^{-1}$ , and  $T^n = PD^nP^{-1}$  where

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} q/p & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Working out the algebra gives

$$T^n = \frac{p}{p+q} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{q}{p} + \lambda_2^n & \frac{q}{p}(1 - \lambda_2^n) \\ 1 - \lambda_2^n & 1 + \lambda_2^n \frac{q}{p} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $\mathbf{x}$  be the steady state vector. Then

$$\mathbf{x} = A\mathbf{x}$$

Thus, the steady state vector is the eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda = 1$ .

[Exercise 34](#)

**Exercise 35.**

$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{Plan A} \\ \text{Plan B} \\ \text{Plan C} \end{bmatrix} : \mathbf{x}_{k+1} = A\mathbf{x}_k, \text{ where } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.75 & 0.25 & 0.2 \\ 0.15 & 0.45 & 0.4 \\ 0.1 & 0.3 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $\mathbf{v}$  be the long term percentage enrollment of the plans, then

$$\mathbf{v} = A\mathbf{v} \Rightarrow (I - A)\mathbf{v} = 0$$

In other words,  $\mathbf{v}$  is the eigenvector of  $A$  corresponding with eigenvalues 1,

$\mathbf{v}$  can be found as follows

$$\begin{aligned} I - A &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.25 & -0.25 & -0.2 \\ -0.15 & 0.55 & -0.4 \\ -0.1 & -0.3 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow &\begin{bmatrix} 0.25 & -0.25 & -0.2 \\ -0.15 & 0.55 & -0.4 \\ -0.1 & -0.3 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 25 & -25 & -20 \\ -15 & 55 & -40 \\ -10 & -30 & 60 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -5 & -5 \\ 3 & -11 & 8 \\ 2 & 6 & 12 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\sim \begin{bmatrix} 30 & -30 & -24 \\ 30 & -110 & 80 \\ 30 & 90 & -180 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 30 & -30 & -24 \\ 0 & -80 & 104 \\ 0 & 120 & -156 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -5 & -4 \\ 0 & -20 & 26 \\ 0 & 20 & -26 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\sim \begin{bmatrix} 20 & -20 & -16 \\ 0 & -20 & 26 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 0 & -42 \\ 0 & -20 & 26 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.1 \\ 1.3 \\ 1.0 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2.1 + 1.3 + 1.0} \times 100\% = \begin{bmatrix} 47.73\% \\ 29.54\% \\ 22.73\% \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise 35