

1.

i.

$$\begin{aligned} & \det \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & ab \\ ab & b^2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= a^2 b^2 - (ab)(ab) \\ &= a^2 b^2 - a^2 b^2 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

ii.

$$\begin{aligned} & \det \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \cos^2 \alpha - (-\sin \alpha)(\sin \alpha) \\ &= \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

iii.

$$\begin{aligned} & \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & x \\ x & 2 & x \\ x & x & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & x \\ x & 3 \end{vmatrix} - x \begin{vmatrix} x & x \\ x & 3 \end{vmatrix} + x \begin{vmatrix} x & 2 \\ x & x \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 1 * (2 * 3 - x * x) - x(x * 3 - x * x) + x(x * x - 2 * x) \\ &= (6 - x^2) - x(3x - x^2) + x(x^2 - 2x) \\ &= 6 - x^2 - 3x^2 + x^3 + x^3 - 2x^2 \\ &= 2x^3 - 6x^2 + 6 \end{aligned}$$

iv.

$$\begin{aligned} & \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 1 \begin{vmatrix} b & c \\ b^2 & c^2 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ a^2 & c^2 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ a^2 & b^2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (bc^2 - b^2c) - (ac^2 - a^2c) + (ab^2 - a^2b) \\ &= ab^2 - a^2b - ac^2 + a^2c + bc^2 - b^2c \end{aligned}$$

v.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & a \\ 2 & 0 & b & 0 \\ 3 & c & 4 & 5 \\ d & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= -0 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & b & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ d & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & a \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ d & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} - c \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & a \\ 2 & b & 0 \\ d & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & c & 5 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= -c \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & a \\ 2 & b & 0 \\ d & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= -c \left(a \begin{vmatrix} 2 & b \\ d & 0 \end{vmatrix} - 0 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ d & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & b \end{vmatrix} \right) \\
&= -c \left(a \begin{vmatrix} 2 & b \\ d & 0 \end{vmatrix} \right) \\
&= -c(a(2 * 0 - b * d)) \\
&= -c * a * (-bd) \\
&= abcd
\end{aligned}$$

vi.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \det \begin{pmatrix} a & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & b & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & c & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & d \end{pmatrix} \\
&= -a \begin{vmatrix} b & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & c & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & d \end{vmatrix} + (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & c & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & d \end{vmatrix} - 0 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ b & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & d \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ b & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & c & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= -a \begin{vmatrix} b & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & c & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & d \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & c & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & d \end{vmatrix} \\
&= -a \begin{vmatrix} b & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & c & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & d \end{vmatrix} - \left(1 \begin{vmatrix} c & 1 \\ -1 & d \end{vmatrix} - 0 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & d \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & c \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \right) \\
&= -a \begin{vmatrix} b & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & c & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & d \end{vmatrix} - (cd + 1) \\
&= -a \left(b \begin{vmatrix} c & 1 \\ -1 & d \end{vmatrix} - 1 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & d \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & c \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \right) - (cd + 1) \\
&= -a(b(cd + 1) - (-d - 0)) - (cd + 1) \\
&= -a(bcd + b + d) - (cd + 1) \\
&= -abcd - ab - ad - cd - 1
\end{aligned}$$

2.

i.

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_2 - \frac{1}{2}x_3 = 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2}x_1 + 2x_2 - \frac{1}{2}x_4 = 3 \\ -\frac{1}{2}x_1 + 2x_3 - \frac{1}{2}x_4 = 3 \\ -\frac{1}{2}x_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_3 + 2x_4 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 2 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 3 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 2 & -\frac{1}{2} & 3 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 16 & 0 & -4 & 24 \\ -4 & 0 & 16 & -4 & 24 \\ -4 & 0 & -4 & 16 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 15 & -1 & -4 & 24 \\ 0 & -1 & 15 & -4 & 24 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 & 16 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 15 & -1 & -4 & 24 \\ 0 & -15 & 225 & -60 & 360 \\ 0 & -15 & -75 & 240 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{15} & -\frac{4}{15} & \frac{8}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 224 & -64 & 384 \\ 0 & 0 & -76 & 236 & 24 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{15} & -\frac{4}{15} & \frac{8}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & -2 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & -19 & 59 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{15} & -\frac{4}{15} & \frac{8}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{2}{7} & \frac{12}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{375}{133} & \frac{270}{133} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{15} & -\frac{4}{15} & \frac{8}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{2}{7} & \frac{12}{7} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{54}{75} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4}x_2 + \frac{1}{4}x_3 \\ \frac{1}{15}x_3 + \frac{4}{15}(0.72) + \frac{8}{5} \\ \frac{2}{7}(0.72) + \frac{12}{7} \\ 0.72 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4}x_2 + \frac{1}{4}(1.92) \\ \frac{1}{15}(1.92) + \frac{4}{15}(0.72) \\ 1.92 \\ 0.72 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4}(1.92) + \frac{1}{4}(1.92) \\ 1.92 \\ 1.92 \\ 0.72 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.96 \\ 1.92 \\ 1.92 \\ 0.72 \end{bmatrix}$$

ii.

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 + x_4 = 3 \\ 3x_1 + 4x_2 + 2x_3 + 3x_4 = -2 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + 8x_3 - x_4 = 8 \\ 7x_1 + 9x_2 + x_3 + 8x_4 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 8 & -1 \\ 7 & 9 & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 8 & -1 & 8 \\ 7 & 9 & 1 & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{3}{2} & \frac{5}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \\ 3-3 & \frac{8}{2}-\frac{9}{2} & \frac{4}{2}-\frac{15}{2} & \frac{6}{2}-\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{6}{2}-\frac{9}{2} \\ 1-1 & \frac{4}{2}-\frac{3}{2} & \frac{16}{2}-\frac{5}{2} & -\frac{2}{2}-\frac{1}{2} & \frac{16}{2}-\frac{3}{2} \\ 7-7 & \frac{18}{2}-\frac{21}{2} & \frac{2}{2}-\frac{35}{2} & \frac{16}{2}-\frac{7}{2} & 0-\frac{21}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{3}{2} & \frac{5}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{11}{2} & \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{15}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{11}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & \frac{13}{2} \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{33}{2} & \frac{9}{2} & -\frac{21}{2} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{3}{2} & \frac{5}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 11 & -3 & 15 \\ 0 & 1 & 11 & -3 & 13 \\ 0 & 1 & 11 & -3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

no solution exists for x that simultaneously satisfies the following:

$$\begin{cases} 0x_1 + x_2 + 11x_3 - 3x_4 = 15 \\ 0x_1 + x_2 + 11x_3 - 3x_4 = 13 \\ 0x_1 + x_2 + 11x_3 - 3x_4 = 7 \end{cases}$$

3.

$$A = P\Lambda Q$$

$$QP = I_2$$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = AA = P\Lambda QP\Lambda Q = P\Lambda I_2 \Lambda Q = P\Lambda^2 Q$$

$$A^3 = A^2 A = P\Lambda^2 QP\Lambda Q = P\Lambda^2 I_2 \Lambda Q = P\Lambda^3 Q$$

...

$$A^n = P\Lambda^n Q$$

$$\Lambda^1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Lambda^2 = \Lambda\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

thus for positive integer m:

$$\Lambda^{2m} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Lambda^{2m-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} A^8 &= P\Lambda^8 Q = P\Lambda^{2*4} Q = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} A^9 &= P\Lambda^9 Q = P\Lambda^{2*5-1} Q = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -12 \\ 4 & -7 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

so

$$A^{2n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I_2$$

$$A^{2n-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -12 \\ 4 & -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

4.

Solve $Ax = b$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1 \\ 2x_2 + 2x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 - x_2 = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A|I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$$

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

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

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Ax = b \Rightarrow A^{-1}Ax = A^{-1}b \Rightarrow Ix = A^{-1}b \Rightarrow x = A^{-1}b$$

$$A^{-1}b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \frac{1}{2} + 0 \\ 1 - \frac{1}{2} - 2 \\ -1 + 1 + 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -3/2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

5.

i.

$$\text{Consider } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Neither A nor B is invertible yet

$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

is invertible

thus the statement is false

ii.

Since AB is invertible, $\det AB \neq 0$

If either A or B is not invertible,
then its determinant would be zero.

$$\text{but } \det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$$

which is greater than zero.

thus the statement is true

iii.

$$\text{Consider } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A is invertible, B is not invertible yet

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is not invertible

thus the statement is false

iv.

Since A is invertible, $\det A \neq 0$

Moreover if A is an $n \times n$ matrix then

$$\det kA = k^n \det A$$

Since $\det A \neq 0$ and $k \neq 0$,

$$0 \neq k^n \det A = \det kA$$

so kA is invertible

thus the statement is true

6.

$$A = B^T$$

$$\text{simplify } A^T(B^{-1}A^{-1} + I)^T$$

$$A^T(B^{-1}A^{-1} + I)^T = A^T((A^{-1})^T(B^{-1})^T + I^T)$$

$$= A^T((A^T)^{-1}(B^{-1})^T + I) = (B^{-1})^T + A^T$$

$$= (B^T)^{-1} + A^T = A^{-1} + B$$

$$\text{thus (b)} = B + A^{-1}$$

7.

Express α linearly in terms of $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4$

$$\alpha = (1, 2, 1, 1), \quad \alpha^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1), \quad \alpha_1^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \alpha_2 = (1, 1, -1, -1), \quad \alpha_2^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha_3 = (1, -1, 1, -1), \quad \alpha_3^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \alpha_4 = (1, -1, -1, 1), \quad \alpha_4^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha = x_1\alpha_1 + x_2\alpha_2 + x_3\alpha_3 + x_4\alpha_4$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A = (\alpha_1^T \quad \alpha_2^T \quad \alpha_3^T \quad \alpha_4^T) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \alpha^T = b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Ax = b \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

use Gauss

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

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5/4 \\ 1/4 \\ -1/4 \\ -1/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

check

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= x_1 \alpha_1 + x_2 \alpha_2 + x_3 \alpha_3 + x_4 \alpha_4 = \frac{5}{4} \alpha_1 + \frac{1}{4} \alpha_2 - \frac{1}{4} \alpha_3 - \frac{1}{4} \alpha_4 \\ &= \frac{5}{4} (1, 1, 1, 1) + \frac{1}{4} (1, 1, -1, -1) - \frac{1}{4} (1, -1, 1, -1) - \frac{1}{4} (1, -1, -1, 1) \\ &= \left(\frac{5}{4}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{5}{4} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{5}{4} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}, \frac{5}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}, \frac{5}{4} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}, \frac{5}{4} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \right) = \left(\frac{4}{4}, \frac{8}{4}, \frac{4}{4}, \frac{4}{4} \right) = (1, 2, 1, 1) \end{aligned}$$

thus

$$\alpha = \frac{5}{4} \alpha_1 + \frac{1}{4} \alpha_2 - \frac{1}{4} \alpha_3 - \frac{1}{4} \alpha_4$$

8.

Linear independence: $\alpha_1 = (1, 1, 1)^T, \alpha_2 = (0, 2, 5)^T, \alpha_3 = (1, 3, 6)^T$

$$\alpha_1 = (1, 1, 1)^T, \alpha_2 = (0, 2, 5)^T, \alpha_3 = (1, 3, 6)^T$$

No, these are not linearly independent since one vector

can be expressed as a combination of the others:

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = (1, 1, 1)^T + (0, 2, 5)^T = (1, 3, 6)^T = \alpha_3$$

9.

Prove that

$\delta_1 + \delta_2, \delta_2 + \delta_3, \delta_1 + \delta_3$ are linearly independent $\Leftrightarrow \delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3$ are linearly independent

Backward Direction

Assume that

$\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3$ are linearly independent

then for scalars a, b, c

$$a\delta_1 + b\delta_2 + c\delta_3 = 0 \text{ implies } a = b = c = 0$$

so for scalars x, y, z

$$\text{consider } x(\delta_1 + \delta_2) + y(\delta_2 + \delta_3) + z(\delta_1 + \delta_3) = 0$$

$$xz\delta_1 + xy\delta_2 + yz\delta_3 = 0$$

which is only true when $xz = xy = yz = 0$

thus

$\delta_1 + \delta_2, \delta_2 + \delta_3, \delta_1 + \delta_3$ are linearly independent

Forward Direction

Assume that

$\delta_1 + \delta_2, \delta_2 + \delta_3, \delta_1 + \delta_3$ are linearly independent

then for scalars a, b, c

$$\text{if } a(\delta_1 + \delta_2) + b(\delta_2 + \delta_3) + c(\delta_1 + \delta_3) = 0$$

$$\text{then } a = b = c = 0$$

which reduces to

$$ac\delta_1 + ab\delta_2 + bc\delta_3 = 0$$

thus

$\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3$ are linearly independent

10.

i.

Find rank

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

rank = 3

ii.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 & -3 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 1 & -3 \\ 4 & 5 & -5 & -6 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & -1 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 7 & -11 & -8 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & -1 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & -7 & 11 & 3 & -\frac{5}{3} \\ 0 & 7 & -11 & -8 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & -1 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & -7 & 11 & 3 & -5 \\ 0 & 7 & -11 & -8 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & -1 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & -7 & 11 & 3 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

rank = 3