

Notation: Throughout this note matrices will be denoted by capital letters such as A or B , and vectors by lowercase boldface letters like \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{b} .

Problems

1. Write the following system as a matrix equation of the form $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 6x + 5y + 2z & = & 11 \\ 5x + 4y + 2z & = & 7 \\ -3x - 3y - z & = & 4 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 & 2 \\ -3 & -3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 7 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Multiply out the following equations of the form $A\mathbf{b}$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2+6+2 \\ -4-18-5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ -27 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow$$

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -6 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 9 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -8-15 \\ -32 \\ -4+15 \\ -36-10 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -23 \\ -32 \\ 11 \\ -46 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. We're going to start with a linear system, solve it and then put the result into parametric form (basically like you've already been doing in webwork).

- (a) Write down the augmented matrix and solve this system.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 2x_1 + 4x_2 & -4x_4 & = 10 \\ 3x_1 + 6x_2 + x_3 + 3x_4 & = & 11 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 + 7x_4 & = & 1 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 0 & -4 & 10 \\ 3 & 6 & 1 & 3 & 11 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 7 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (b) Turn the REF matrix you got in part (a) back into a system of equations. Set any free variables equal to 's' or 't'. E.g. if x_4 was free, we would set $x_4 = t$, and then replace all x_4 's in the other equations with t 's. (Hint at this point you should have 4 equations total).

- (c) Turn your 4 equations into a vector equation of the form:

Writing them out clearly
(you don't have to do this step:)

$$x_1 = -5 + 2s - 2t$$

$$x_2 = s$$

$$x_3 = -4 + 9t$$

$$x_4 = t$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

these are your 4 equations

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 2s - 2t = 5 \\ x_3 + 9t = -4 \\ x_4 = t \\ x_2 = s \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 9 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_4 = 5 \\ x_3 + 9x_4 = -4 \end{array}$$

$$\text{so } \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x_4 = t \\ x_2 = s \end{array}$$

4. For each of the following formula, either explain why it is true¹, or give an example where it's false. Here A is a matrix, \mathbf{b} , \mathbf{v} are vectors and c is just a number.

- \checkmark (a) $A(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = A\mathbf{u} + A\mathbf{v}$ there is a proof on page 39 of the text but after doing an example you kinda get the intuition.
 \checkmark (b) $A = \mathbf{u} + c\mathbf{v}$ for some \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} and c
 \checkmark (c) $A\mathbf{c}\mathbf{u} = cA\mathbf{b}$

false
 because
 $\bar{\mathbf{u}} + c\bar{\mathbf{v}}$ will
 be a vector
 and have
 only 1 column

5. For the following, instead of finding the solution set of a linear system, we're looking for a linear system with a given solution set:

(a) Construct a 3×3 matrix A such that the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is a solution of

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \text{ (here } \mathbf{0} \text{ means the vector of all zeros).}$$

(b) Construct a 3×3 matrix A such that vector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is a solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 5 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

¹Ideally to someone sitting next to you