



Exercise 4.6

Question 1:

Examine the consistency of the system of equations.

$$x + 2y = 2$$

$$2x + 3y = 3$$

Answer

The given system of equations is:

$$x + 2y = 2$$

$$2x + 3y = 3$$

The given system of equations can be written in the form of $AX = B$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now,

$$|A| = 1(3) - 2(2) = 3 - 4 = -1 \neq 0$$

$\therefore A$ is non-singular.

Therefore, A^{-1} exists.

Hence, the given system of equations is consistent.

Question 2:

Examine the consistency of the system of equations.

$$2x - y = 5$$

$$x + y = 4$$

Answer

The given system of equations is:

$$2x - y = 5$$

$$x + y = 4$$

The given system of equations can be written in the form of $AX = B$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now,

$$|A| = 2(1) - (-1)(1) = 2 + 1 = 3 \neq 0$$

$\therefore A$ is non-singular.

Therefore, A^{-1} exists.

Hence, the given system of equations is consistent.

Question 3:

Examine the consistency of the system of equations.

$$x + 3y = 5$$

$$2x + 6y = 8$$

Answer

The given system of equations is:

$$x + 3y = 5$$

$$2x + 6y = 8$$

The given system of equations can be written in the form of $AX = B$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now,

$$|A| = 1(6) - 3(2) = 6 - 6 = 0$$

$\therefore A$ is a singular matrix.

Now,

$$(\text{adj}A) = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\text{adj}A)B = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 30-24 \\ -10+8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \neq O$$

Thus, the solution of the given system of equations does not exist. Hence, the system of equations is inconsistent.

Question 4:

Examine the consistency of the system of equations.

$$x + y + z = 1$$

$$2x + 3y + 2z = 2$$

$$ax + ay + 2az = 4$$

Answer

The given system of equations is:

$$x + y + z = 1$$

$$2x + 3y + 2z = 2$$

$$ax + ay + 2az = 4$$

This system of equations can be written in the form $AX = B$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ a & a & 2a \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} |A| &= 1(6a-2a) - 1(4a-2a) + 1(2a-3a) \\ &= 4a-2a-a = 4a-3a = a \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore A$ is non-singular.

Therefore, A^{-1} exists.

Hence, the given system of equations is consistent.

Question 5:

Examine the consistency of the system of equations.

$$3x - y - 2z = 2$$

$$2y - z = -1$$

$$3x - 5y = 3$$

Answer

The given system of equations is:

$$3x - y - 2z = 2$$

$$2y - z = -1$$

$$3x - 5y = 3$$

This system of equations can be written in the form of $AX = B$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now,

$$|A| = 3(0-5) - 0 + 3(1+4) = -15 + 15 = 0$$

$\therefore A$ is a singular matrix.

Now,

$$(\text{adj}A) = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 10 & 5 \\ -3 & 6 & 3 \\ -6 & 12 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore (\text{adj}A)B = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 10 & 5 \\ -3 & 6 & 3 \\ -6 & 12 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -10-10+15 \\ -6-6+9 \\ -12-12+18 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -3 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} \neq O$$

Thus, the solution of the given system of equations does not exist. Hence, the system of equations is inconsistent.

Question 6:

Examine the consistency of the system of equations.

$$5x - y + 4z = 5$$

$$2x + 3y + 5z = 2$$

$$5x - 2y + 6z = -1$$

Answer

The given system of equations is:

$$5x - y + 4z = 5$$

$$2x + 3y + 5z = 2$$

$$5x - 2y + 6z = -1$$

This system of equations can be written in the form of $AX = B$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 5 & -2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} |A| &= 5(18+10)+1(12-25)+4(-4-15) \\ &= 5(28)+1(-13)+4(-19) \\ &= 140-13-76 \\ &= 51 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore A$ is non-singular.

Therefore, A^{-1} exists.

Hence, the given system of equations is consistent.

Question 7:

Solve system of linear equations, using matrix method.

$$5x + 2y = 4$$

$$7x + 3y = 5$$

Answer

The given system of equations can be written in the form of $AX = B$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 7 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Now, } |A| = 15 - 14 = 1 \neq 0.$$

Thus, A is non-singular. Therefore, its inverse exists.

Now,

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} (\text{adj} A)$$

$$\therefore A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -7 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore X = A^{-1}B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12-10 \\ -28+25 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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