

Q1

Converting the SLAE to the augmented matrix form, we obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 & -2 & 6 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & 4 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & -2 & 5 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 & -4 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

By definition, this system is homogenous given that for each linear equation we have 0 on the right side.

To obtain a system of solutions, as a first step let us transform the coefficient matrix to the row reduced echelon form. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 & -2 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -2 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 & -4 & 9 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{-2}{5} & \frac{6}{5} \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -2 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 & -4 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{I=\frac{1}{5}\cdot I}{=} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{-2}{5} & \frac{6}{5} \\ 0 & \frac{14}{5} & \frac{-8}{5} & \frac{14}{5} \\ 3 & 2 & -2 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 & -4 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{II=II-I}{=} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{-2}{5} & \frac{6}{5} \\ 0 & \frac{14}{5} & \frac{-8}{5} & \frac{14}{5} \\ 0 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{-4}{5} & \frac{7}{5} \\ 4 & 5 & -4 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{III=III-3\cdot I}{=} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{-2}{5} & \frac{6}{5} \\ 0 & \frac{14}{5} & \frac{-8}{5} & \frac{14}{5} \\ 0 & \frac{7}{5} & \frac{-4}{5} & \frac{7}{5} \\ 0 & \frac{21}{5} & \frac{-12}{5} & \frac{21}{5} \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{IV=IV-4\cdot I}{=} \dots = \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{-2}{7} & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-4}{7} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Let us also make a sanity check for row reduced echelon form using *sympy*.

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In [1]: # sanity check
import sympy as sp
import numpy as np

SLAE = np.array([[5,1,-2,6], [1,3,-2,4], [3,2,-2,5], [4,5,-4,9]])

sp.Matrix(SLAE).rref()[0]
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Out[1]: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{2}{7} & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{4}{7} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Hence, the obtained RREF matrix is correct. As we can see from the obtained matrix, we have a matrix rank of 2, and consequently 2 free variables. Let us next present this in a variable form:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - \frac{2}{7}x_3 + x_4 = 0 \\ x_2 - \frac{4}{7}x_3 + x_4 = 0 \end{cases}$$

When transforming this to vectors, we get a general solution:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{2}{7}x_3 - x_4 \\ x_2 = \frac{4}{7}x_3 - x_4 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{fundamental system of solutions of a form } v1, v2: \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{7} \\ \frac{4}{7} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let us check whether matrices A and/or B form a fundamental system of solutions when checked against obtained vectors.

$$\text{Matrix A we get the sum of vectors } \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 14 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 7 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{linear dependence + violation of}$$

the presence of 1 in 4-th row of the 1-st column of $v1$ in the system of solutions, which cannot be obtained by either scaling or summing \therefore not a basis

$$\text{For matrix B, we get } \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 14 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 14 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{7} \\ \frac{4}{7} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{matrix B appears to be}$$

a part of the fundamental system of solutions given the value of $v1 = 1$ and $v2 = 14$; it

$$\text{also follows that } \begin{cases} 1 \cdot -1 + 1 \cdot 1 = 0 \\ 1 \cdot 8 - 14 \cdot \frac{4}{7} = 0 \end{cases}$$

\therefore matrix B forms a fundamental system of solutions for a given SLAE.