

## Project One: *Data Flow Modeling Using Matrix Theory*

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## Problem 1

**Develop a system of linear equations for the network by writing an equation for each router (A, B, C, D, and E).**

**Make sure to write your final answer as  $Ax=b$  where  $A$  is the  $5 \times 5$  coefficient matrix,  $x$  is the  $5 \times 1$  vector of unknowns, and  $b$  is a  $5 \times 1$  vector of constants.**

**Solution - Define the data rates between routers:**

```
x1: From Router A to Router B
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x2: From Router A to Router E

x3: From Router B to Receiver

x4: From Router E to Router D

x5: From Router C to Router D

The system of equations based on inputs and outputs for each router is:

1. Router A:  $x_1 + x_2 = 100$

2. Router B:  $x_1 = x_3$

3. Router C:  $x_5 = 50$

4. Router D:  $x_4 + x_5 = 120$

5. Router E:  $x_2 = x_4$

### Defining the matrix A, vector x, and vector b:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix};$$

```
x = [ 'x1' ; 'x2' ; 'x3' ; 'x4' ; 'x5' ] ;
```

```
b = [100; 0; 50; 120; 0];
```

### Code to display the matrix and constant vector:

```
% Defining the coefficient matrix A and vector b for the system Ax = b
A = [1   1   0   0   0; % Equation for Router A: x1 + x2 = 100
     -1  0   1   0   0; % Equation for Router B: x1 = x3
       0   0   0   0   1; % Equation for Router C: x5 = 50
       0   0   0   1   1; % Equation for Router D: x4 + x5 = 120
       0  -1   0   1   0]; % Equation for Router E: x2 = x4

b = [100; % Input to Router A
     0;   % Output from Router B to Receiver
     50;  % Input to Router C
     120; % Output from Router D to Receiver
     0]; % Output from Router E to Router D

% Display the coefficient matrix and constant vector
disp('Coefficient matrix A:');
```

Coefficient matrix A:

```
disp(A);
```

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

```
disp( 'Constant vector b:' );
```

Constant vector  $b$ :

```
disp(b);
```

100  
0  
50  
120  
0

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## Problem 2

Use MATLAB to construct the augmented matrix  $[A \ b]$  and then perform row reduction using the `rref()` function. Write out your **reduced matrix** and **identify the free and basic variables of the system**.

### Solution:

```
% Define the coefficient matrix A
A = [1, 1, 0, 0, 0;
     -1, 0, 1, 0, 0;
      0, 0, 0, 0, 1;
```





Inverse of U:

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

Finding out the solution to  $\mathbf{U}^{-1}$  helped me to find  $\mathbf{x}$  again in the future.

## Problem 5

**Solution:**

Solution vector  $x$ :

30  
70  
30  
70  
50

This technically solves the original system  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ .

## Problem 6

**Check answer for  $x_1$  using Cramer's Rule.** Use MATLAB to compute the required determinants using the `det()` function.

**Solution:**

```
% Compute the determinant of A
detA = det(A);

% Replace the first column of A with b to form A1
A1 = A;
A1(:,1) = b;

% Compute the determinant of A1
detA1 = det(A1);

% Compute x1 using Cramer's Rule
x1 = detA1 / detA;

% Display the computed x1
disp('x1 computed using Cramer''s Rule:');
```

x1 computed using Cramer's Rule:

```
disp(x1);
```

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**Cramer's Rule:**  $x_i = \det(A_i) / \det(A)$  - where  $A_i$  is  $A$  with its  $i$ -th column replaced by  $b$ .

I solved  $\det(A)$  and  $\det(A_1)$  in order to find  $x_1$ .

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## Problem 7

**Solution for the system of equations in the third column so it can be easily compared to the maximum capacity in the second column.**

In the fourth column of the table, provide recommendations for how the network should be modified based on your network throughput analysis findings. The modification options can be No Change, Remove Link, or Upgrade Link. In the final column, explain how you arrived at your recommendation.

**Solution:**

**Data Rates for Project One:**

$$x_1 = 30 \text{ Mbps}, x_2 = 70 \text{ Mbps}, x_3 = 30 \text{ Mbps}, x_4 = 70 \text{ Mbps}, x_5 = 50 \text{ Mbps}$$

Network Link	Recommended Capacity (Mbps)	Solution	Recommendation	Explanation
x <sub>1</sub>	60	30	No Change	The final data is below capacity
x <sub>2</sub>	50	70	Upgrade Link	Data rate exceeds the capacity; upgrading it is necessary.
x <sub>3</sub>	100	30	No Change	The final data rate is well below the capacity.
x <sub>4</sub>	100	70	No Change	The final data rate is below capacity.
x <sub>5</sub>	50	50	Monitor	The data rate reaches capacity; thus, it would be wise to consider upgrading if demand increases.

*By modeling the network as a system of linear equations and then applying matrix techniques to solve them, I was able to find out what the data rates for each link in the network are. Using the tools from MATLAB I was able to perform tasks like row reduction, LU decomposition, and I also applied Cramer's Rule to verify the solutions. In the final result, I then gave recommendations that were based on the data rates to make sure that the network operates at the most optimal rate without over working or exceeding any link capacities.*

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