

$$R_1' = R_1 - 2R_2$$

$$R_1' = \left(-\frac{1}{7}\right) R_1$$

$$R_2' = R_2 - 3R_1$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{cccc} 2 & -1 & 1 & = 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad \underline{\text{I}}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{cccc} 0 & -7 & -7 & = 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad \underline{\text{II}}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 1 & 1 & = 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad \underline{\text{III}}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 1 & 1 & = 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad \underline{\text{IV}}$$

NOTE :- We perform 'row operations' on the matrices.

$$F = \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$$

$x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$ - variables

$$a_{ij} \in F$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_n \end{array} \right.$$

\dots (*)

We abbreviate (*) using matrix notation as follows:-

$Ax = b$, where

$$A = (a_{ij})_{i,j}$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

A soln. of (*) is an n -tuple (y_1, \dots, y_n) s.t. each $y_i \in F$ which solves all the eqn. of (*).

If y is a soln, $y := \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$, then

$$Ay = b$$

Let $c_1, \dots, c_m \in F$, an eqn. of the form

$$(c_1 a_{11} + c_2 a_{21} + \dots + c_m a_{m1})x_1 + (c_1 a_{12} + c_2 a_{22} + \dots + c_m a_{m2})x_2 + \dots + (c_1 a_{1n} + \dots + c_m a_{mn})x_n = c_1 b_1 + \dots + c_m b_m$$

is called a linear comb.

Let

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} d_{11}x_1 + \dots + d_{1n}x_n = e_1 \\ d_{21}x_1 + \dots + d_{2n}x_n = e_2 \\ \vdots \\ d_{m1}x_1 + \dots + d_{mn}x_n = e_m \end{array} \right\} \quad (*-2)$$

Assume that each eqn of $(*-2)$ is a linear comb. of those of $(*-1)$.
Then all soln of $(*-1)$ are also soln of $(*-2)$.
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Suppose ^{in addition that} each eqn of $(*-1)$ is a linear comb. of those of $(*-2)$.

Then $(*-1)$ & $(*-2)$ have exactly same solns.

Type 1: Multiplying the i -th row by a scalar and adding that to the j -th row

Type 2: Multiplying the i th row by a scalar

Type 3: Interchanging i -th and j -th rows.