

M341 Study Guide for E 3 (S. Zhang) .

1. Find the row echelon form (okay to have non-one diagonals, Gauss elimination) and solve the system. Find the reduced row echelon form (Gauss-Jordan elimination) and solve the system.

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 &= 3 \\ -2x_1 + x_2 + 0x_3 &= -3 \\ 4x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 &= 12 \\ 0x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3 &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

• **ans:** Gauss elimination:

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 4 & -2 & 3 & 12 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 & 6 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-2r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3, r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ & -4 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 & 6 \end{array} \right)$$

$$2r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3, r_2 + r_4 \rightarrow r_4,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ & & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & & 3 & 6 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-r_3 + r_4 \rightarrow r_4,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ & & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Backward substitution,

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Gauss-Jordan elimination:

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 4 & -2 & 3 & 12 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 & 6 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-2r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3, r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ & -4 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 & 6 \end{array} \right)$$

$$2r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3, r_2 + r_4 \rightarrow r_4,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ & & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & & 3 & 6 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-r_3 + r_4 \rightarrow r_4,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ & & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}r_1 \rightarrow r_1, \frac{1}{2}r_2 \rightarrow r_2, \frac{1}{3}r_3 \rightarrow r_3,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1/2 & 1/2 & 3/2 \\ & 1 & 1/2 & 0 \\ & & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}r_3 + r_1 \rightarrow r_1, \frac{1}{3}r_3 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1/2 & & 1/2 \\ & 1 & & -1 \\ & & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}r_2 + r_1 \rightarrow r_1$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & & & 1 \\ & 1 & & -1 \\ & & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

It shows the solution,

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Solve the system $Ax = b$ by the Gaussian elimination.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:** We do row operations on the matrix.

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{-2r_1+r_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ & -1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{-r_2+r_3} \left(\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ & -1 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Therefore, we can let x_3, x_4, x_5 be free variables. The solution would be (choosing 1 for one of x_3, x_4, x_5 , and 0 for the other two, then solving for x_1 and x_2)

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + C_1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + C_3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$a = [1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 2 \ 1]$
 $b = [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1]$
 $A = [a; b+a; b-a]$
 $x = [1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1]'$;
 $A*x$

3. Find A^{-1} .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & -1 \\ 3 & 10 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:** We do row operations to transform the matrix

$$[A|I] \rightarrow [I|A^{-1}]$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 & & \\ -2 & -3 & -1 & | & & 1 & \\ 3 & 10 & 6 & | & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{2r_1+r_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 & & \\ & 1 & 1 & | & 2 & 1 & \\ 3 & 10 & 6 & | & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{-3r_1+r_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 & & \\ & 1 & 1 & | & 2 & 1 & \\ & 4 & 3 & | & -3 & 1 & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{-4r_2+r_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 & & \\ & 1 & 1 & | & 2 & 1 & \\ & & -1 & | & -11 & -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{(-1)r_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 & & \\ & 1 & 1 & | & 2 & 1 & \\ & & 1 & | & 11 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{(-1)r_3+r_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 & & \\ & 1 & & | & -9 & -3 & 1 \\ & & 1 & | & 11 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{(-1)r_3+r_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & & | & -10 & -4 & 1 \\ & 1 & & | & -9 & -3 & 1 \\ & & 1 & | & 11 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{(-2)r_2+r_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & | & 8 & 2 & -1 \\ & 1 & & | & -9 & -3 & 1 \\ & & 1 & | & 11 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 2 & -1 \\ -9 & -3 & 1 \\ 11 & 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$L = [1 \ 0 \ 0; -2 \ 1 \ 0; 3 \ 4 \ 1]$
 $U = [1 \ 2 \ 1; 0 \ 1 \ 1; 0 \ 0 \ -1]$
 $A = L*U, \det(A)$
 $\text{inv}(A)$

4. (1) Use the Gauss elimination to solve the system.
- (2) Find the LU decomposition of A , and use it to solve the system.
- (3) Find the A^{-1} , and use it to solve the system.

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 &= 3 \\ -2x_1 + x_2 + 0x_3 &= -3 \\ 4x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 &= 12 \end{aligned}$$

• **ans:** (1) Gauss elimination:

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 4 & -2 & 3 & 12 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-2r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3, r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ & -4 & 1 & 6 \end{array} \right)$$

$$2r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ & & 3 & 6 \end{array} \right)$$

Backward substitution,

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(2) LU decomposition: We repeat GE steps, but record the negative row operations:

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 & 3 \end{array} \right)$$

$$-2r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3, r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ \boxed{-1} & 2 & 1 \\ \boxed{2} & -4 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$2r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3,$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ \boxed{-1} & 2 & 1 \\ \boxed{2} & \boxed{-2} & 3 \end{array} \right)$$

So we can read out

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ -1 & 1 & \\ 2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, U = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ & 2 & 1 \\ & & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

We can check the product of LU is really A itself.

Solving the system in two steps:

$$Ly = b, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ -1 & 1 & \\ 2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} y = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Ux = y, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ & 2 & 1 \\ & & 3 \end{pmatrix} x = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(3) Find A^{-1} :

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & & \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \\ 4 & -2 & 3 & & & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$-2r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3, r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2,$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & & \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \\ & -4 & 1 & -2 & & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$2r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3,$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & & \\ & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \\ & & 3 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$\frac{1}{2}r_1 \rightarrow r_1, \frac{1}{2}r_2 \rightarrow r_2, \frac{1}{3}r_3 \rightarrow r_3,$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1/2 & 1/2 & 1/2 & & \\ & 1 & 1/2 & 1/2 & 1/2 & \\ & & 1 & 0 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{array} \right)$$

$-\frac{1}{2}r_3 + r_1 \rightarrow r_1, -\frac{1}{2}r_3 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2,$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1/2 & & 1/2 & -1/3 & -1/6 \\ & 1 & & 1/2 & 1/6 & -1/6 \\ & & 1 & 0 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{array} \right)$$

$-\frac{1}{2}r_2 + r_1 \rightarrow r_1,$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & & & 1/4 & -5/12 & -1/12 \\ & 1 & & 1/2 & 1/6 & -1/6 \\ & & 1 & 0 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{array} \right)$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 & -5/12 & -1/12 \\ 1/2 & 1/6 & -1/6 \\ 0 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution,

$$x = A^{-1}b =$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 & -5/12 & -1/12 \\ 1/2 & 1/6 & -1/6 \\ 0 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, b = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Use Gaussian elimination to solve $Ax = b$.
 (b) Find $A = LU$ where L is the unit lower triangular matrix. Using LU decomposition of A to solve $Ax = b$ again.

• ans:

(a)

$$(A|b) \rightarrow (U|c)$$

$r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2, -r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3:$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -3 & 4 & 7 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & -5 \end{array} \right)$$

$(2/3)r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3:$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -3 & 4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/3 & -1/3 \end{array} \right)$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (b) Method 1 (easy to understand, but by the computer way we write less).

$$(I|A) \rightarrow (L^{-1}|U)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & & & 1 & -3 & 2 \\ & 1 & & -1 & 0 & 2 \\ & & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2, -r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3:$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & & & 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & & 0 & -3 & 4 \\ -1 & & 1 & 0 & 2 & -3 \end{array} \right)$$

$(2/3)r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3$:

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & & & 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & & 0 & -3 & 4 \\ -1 & 2/3 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1/3 \end{array} \right)$$

To find L from L^{-1} , simply change the signs of all strictly lower triangular part of the matrix:

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ 1 & 1 & \\ -1 & 2/3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ -1 & 1 & \\ 1 & -2/3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

To check:

$$LU = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ -1 & 1 & \\ 1 & -2/3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = A$$

Method 2 (as if a computer does it, saving storage!). Use this method.

$r_1 + r_2 \rightarrow r_2, -r_1 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ \boxed{-1} & -3 & 4 \\ \boxed{1} & 2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(2/3)r_2 + r_3 \rightarrow r_3$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ \boxed{-1} & -3 & 4 \\ \boxed{1} & \boxed{-2/3} & -1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ -1 & 1 & \\ 1 & -2/3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

U is the upper triangular matrix above.

Two steps to solve $Ax = LUx = b$. First forward substitution:

$$Ly = b, y = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 7 \\ -1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then backward substitution:

$$Ux = y, x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

6. Let A and B be 3×3 matrices with $\det A = -3$ and $\det B = 2$. Find

$$\det(A^T B), \det(-A), \det(2AB), \det(A^{-1}B)$$

• **ans:** Please note three important formulas.

$$\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B),$$

$$\det(A^T) = \det(A),$$

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$$

Another point is that we can factor out a constant out of a row, or of a column, from the determinant. So $\det(cA) = c^n \det(A)$ if A is $n \times n$.

$$\det(A^T B) = \det(A^T) \det(B) = \det(A) \det(B) = -6$$

$$\det(-A) = (-1)^3 \det(A) = 3$$

$$\det(2AB) = 2^3 \det(AB) = 8 \det(A) \det(B) = -48$$

$$\det(A^{-1}B) = \det(A)^{-1} \det(B) = -\frac{2}{3}$$

7. Find the determinant ($\det A$), its singularity and its inverse (A^{-1}) if it exists.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:** Find A^{-1}

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$-r_1 + r_2, -r_1 + r_3,$

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

switch r_2 and $r_3,$

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

$-r_2 + r_4,$

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

switch r_3 and r_4 ,

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

$-r_3$ and $-r_4$,

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

$-2r_3 + r_1$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & \\ -1 & & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & & \end{pmatrix}$$

$-2r_4 + r_2, -r_4 + r_1$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \\ & 1 & 0 & \\ & & 1 & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & -2 & 2 \\ -3 & 2 & 1 & \\ -1 & & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & -2 & 2 \\ -3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

For the determinant, we can use direct expansions. Or we can use the matrix after first row operations above: $-r_1 + r_2, -r_1 + r_3$,

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (-1) \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (-1)(1) \det(-1) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$A = [1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 1; \ 1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 0; \ 1 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3; \ 0 \ 1 \ -1 \ 2]$
 $\det(A)$,
 $\text{inv}(A)$

8. Find $\det A, A^{-1}$, and use A^{-1} to solve $Ax = b$.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• **ans:** Add 2 times column 1 to column 3, then expand it by row 2.

$$\det A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -3 & 4 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)(-1) \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 4 - 3 = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 & | & 1 & & \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & | & & 1 & \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & | & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{r_1+r_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 & | & 1 & & \\ -3 & 4 & & | & 1 & 1 & \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & | & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{-r_1+r_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 & | & 1 & & \\ -3 & 4 & & | & 1 & 1 & \\ 2 & -3 & -3 & | & -1 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{(-1/3)r_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 & | & 1 & & \\ 1 & -4/3 & & | & -1/3 & -1/3 & \\ 2 & -3 & -3 & | & -1 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{3r_2+r_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & & | & 0 & -1 & \\ 1 & -4/3 & & | & -1/3 & -1/3 & \\ 2 & -3 & -3 & | & -1 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{-2r_2+r_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & & | & 0 & -1 & \\ 1 & -4/3 & & | & -1/3 & -1/3 & \\ & -1/3 & -3 & | & -1/3 & 2/3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{(-3)r_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & & | & 0 & -1 & \\ 1 & -4/3 & & | & -1/3 & -1/3 & \\ & 1 & -9 & | & 1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{(4/3)r_3+r_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & & | & 0 & -1 & \\ 1 & & & | & 1 & -3 & -4 \\ & 1 & -9 & | & 1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{2r_3+r_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & & | & 2 & -5 & -6 \\ 1 & & & | & 1 & -3 & -4 \\ & 1 & -9 & | & 1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -5 & -6 \\ 1 & -3 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$x = A^{-1}b = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since $\det A = 1$, we know the entries of A^{-1} would be all integers. We can avoid fractions above in finding A^{-1} . Let us try it again.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\
& \xrightarrow{r_3+r_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\
& \xrightarrow{-r_3+r_1} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} -2 & 3 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\
& \xrightarrow{(-2)r_2+r_1} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\
& \xrightarrow{-r_1+r_2 \rightarrow r_2, r_1+r_3 \rightarrow r_3} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\
& \xrightarrow{-r_2+r_3 \rightarrow r_3} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\
& \xrightarrow{(-1)r_2 \rightarrow r_2, r_1 \leftrightarrow r_3} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -5 & -6 \\ 1 & -3 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

9. Determine whether the following are subspaces of P_4 . (P_4 is the set of all polynomials of degree 4 or less)

- (a) The set of polynomials in P_4 of even degree
- (b) The set of polynomials of degree 3
- (c) The set of all polynomials $p(x)$ in P_4 such that $p(0) = 0$.
- (d) The set of all polynomials in P_4 having at least one real root.

• **ans:**

- (a) No. $x + x^2$ and $x - x^2$ are both in the set. But the sum $2x$ is not of even degree, and it is not in the set.
- (b) No. x^3 and $-x^3$ are both of degree 3. But the sum is not.
- (c) Yes. If p_1 and p_2 in the set, then $p_1 + p_2$ and Cp_1 are both in the set as they are polynomials of degree at most 4 and have 0 value at $x = 0$.
- (d) No. $p_1(x) = x + 1$ and $p_2(x) = x^2 - x$ are both in the set. But the sum $x^2 + 1$ has no real root, and it is not in the set.

10. Determine whether the following sets form subspaces of R^3 .

- (a) $\{(x_1, x_2, x_3)^T \mid x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 0\}$
- (b) $\{(x_1, x_2, x_3)^T \mid x_1 = x_2 = 1\}$

- (c) $\{(x_1, x_2, x_3)^T \mid x_1 = 2x_3\}$
- (d) $\{(x_1, x_2, x_3)^T \mid x_3 = x_2 + 1\}$
- (e) $\{(x_1, x_2, x_3)^T \mid x_3 = 0, \text{ or } x_1 = -x_2\}$

• **ans:**

- (a) Yes. It is the solution space (nullspace $Ax = 0$, $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$).

$$\left\{ c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

We can also check $C1$ and $C2$ directly.

- (b) No. $(1, 1, 0)^T$ belongs to the set, but $2(1, 1, 0)^T = (2, 2, 0)^T$ does not. $C1$ failed.
- (c) Yes. It is the solution space (nullspace $Ax = 0$, $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$).

$$\left\{ c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

We can also check $C1$ and $C2$ directly.

- (d) No. $(0, 0, 1)^T$ belongs to the set, but $2(0, 0, 1)^T = (0, 0, 2)^T$ does not. $C1$ failed.
- (e) No. $(1, 1, 0)^T$ and $(1, -1, 1)^T$ belong to the set, but $(1, 1, 0)^T + (1, -1, 1)^T = (2, 0, 1)^T$ does not. $C2$ failed.

11. Given

$$x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, x_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, x_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Show that x_1, x_2, x_3 are linearly dependent.
- (b) Show that x_1, x_2 are linearly dependent.
- (c) What is the dimension of $\text{Span}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$?
- (d) Give a geometric description of $\text{Span}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$.

• **ans:**

- (a) As we have precisely 3 vectors, we can simply check the determinant.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \\
& = 2(-1)4 - 2(6)4 + 3(6)3 - 3(1)(4) + 2(1)(4) - 2(-1)(3) \\
& = -8 - 48 + 54 - 12 + 8 + 6 = 68 - 68 = 0
\end{aligned}$$

So the three vectors are linearly dependent.

- (b) We solve the homogeneous system, $Ax = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 4 & 0 \end{array} \right) \\
& \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 3 & 2 & 0 \\ & -5/2 & & 0 \\ & -1/2 & & 0 \end{array} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

So we have only zero solution $x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. So the two vectors are linearly dependent.

- (c) By (a), the dimension of $\text{Span}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ is less than 3. By (b), as we found two linearly independent vectors in $\text{Span}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$, the dimension of $\text{Span}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ is at least 2. So the dimension of $\text{Span}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ is 2.
- (d) By above work, we know the third vector is a linear combination of the first two vectors. The $\text{Span}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \text{Span}(x_1, x_2)$. All vectors in $\text{Span}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ are in the format

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = a \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + b \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

for any real numbers a and b .

We can eliminate a and b by substituting the first and the second equation into the third equation. I.e., by adding -2 times the second equation to the first equation,

$$x - 2y = 5b$$

by adding 2 times the second equation to the first equation,

$$x + 3y = 5a$$

Put them into the third equation,

$$z = \frac{x + 3y}{5}(3) + \frac{x - 2y}{5}(4)$$

This is an equation for a plane in 3D, (must passing the origin).

$$7x + y - 5z = 0$$

(we can verify that the given three vectors all satisfy the plane equation.)

12. Find the transition matrix from $[\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2]$ to $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$.

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix},$$

Find the coordinates of $\mathbf{v} = 1\mathbf{v}_1 + 3\mathbf{v}_2$ under the basis $[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2]$

- **ans:** The transition matrix

$$\begin{aligned} S &= U^{-1}V \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}_u &= S\mathbf{v}_v \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

To check:

$$\begin{aligned} U\mathbf{v}_u &= V\mathbf{v}_v \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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u1=[1 1]'; u2=[2 1]'; U=[u1 u2]
u1=[0 1]'; u2=[1 2]'; V=[u1 u2]
iU=inv(U)
uv=iU*V, v=[1 3]';
uv*v
U*ans, V*v
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13. Determine if \mathbf{b} is in the column space of A and state whether the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent. If the system is consistent, determine whether there will be one or infinitely many solutions.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- **ans:** 3.6: 45e We need to solve the linear system $[A|b]$.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

It is easy to see there is a solution

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

So the system is consistent and \mathbf{b} is in the column space of A . The solution is unique.

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a=[ ]; b=[ ]';
A=[a b]
A(2,:) = A(2, :)-1*A(1, :)
A(3,:) = A(3, :)-1*A(1, :)
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14. Let A be the 3×5 matrix whose columns are

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{a}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{a}_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{a}_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find the dimension of $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_5\}$, and a basis for the span.

- (b) Find the rank of A . Find its dimension and a basis for $N(A)$.
- (c) Find a basis for the row space of A .
- (d) Extend $\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_5\}$ to a basis for R^3 .

• **ans:**

- (a) We reduce A to upper triangular matrix, and identify the rows and columns of pivots, which will tell the independent rows and columns of the original A . Also from the reduced upper triangular matrix, we can easily solve $Ax = 0$ to find $N(A)$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-r_1+r_2, -r_1+r_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

So the first vector and the third vector are linearly independent. Which forms a basis for $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_5\}$:

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\dim \text{Span}\{\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_5\} = \dim \text{Col}(A) = 2$$

- (b) The rank is the same as $\dim \text{Col}(A)$, which is 2. Now it is easy to do backward substitution to find the solution of homogeneous system $Ax = 0$, by the above row echelon form. These solutions x form the nullspace. Here, other than the pivot variables, x_1 and x_3 , we can set the other three variables, as free variables.

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \begin{pmatrix} c_1 - c_2 - c_3 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 - c_3 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

So

$$N(A) = \text{Span}\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

We note that the rank of A plus the \dim of $\text{Col}(A)$ is always the number of columns in A .

- (c) Note that we did not do row permutations here. This way, we can link the original independent rows to the final independent rows. From the row echelon form of A above, we know the first two rows of A are linearly independent which form a basis for

$$\text{Row}(A) = \text{Span}\{(1 \ -1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1), (1 \ -1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2)\}$$

- (d) We can extend the set to a basis by inspection, adding another linear independent vector. We can also do it “officially” by adding the standard basis plus paring 5 vectors down to 3 to get a basis.

Method 1, by inspection, we add vector $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. We verify the basis (linear independence) by computing the determinant (we did one column operation):

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \begin{matrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_3 & \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \right| &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Method 2. paring down $\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_5, \mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$ to a basis for R^3 .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-r_1+r_2, -r_1+r_3}$$

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

The first three columns are linear independent vectors. We pick up the original columns 1, 2, and 3, to get an pared down basis:

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$