

Homework I solutions

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$$\begin{array}{l} x + 4y + z = 0 \\ 4x + 13y + 7z = 0 \\ 7x + 22y + 13z = 0 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{II} - 4\text{I} \\ \text{III} - 7\text{I}}} \begin{array}{l} x + 4y + z = 0 \\ -3y + 3z = 0 \\ -6y + 6z = 0 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{II} \div (-3) \\ \text{III} \div (-6)}} \begin{array}{l} x + 4y + z = 0 \\ y - z = 0 \\ y - z = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{III} - \text{II}} \begin{array}{l} x + 4y + z = 0 \\ y - z = 0 \\ 0 = 0 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x + 4y + z = 0 \\ y = z \end{array}$$

The set of solutions is the line in \mathbb{R}^3 formed by the intersection of the planes $x + 4y + z = 0$ and $y = z$

These can be described as

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4t - t \\ t \\ t \end{bmatrix} \text{ with } t \in \mathbb{R} \text{ i.e. } \begin{bmatrix} -5t \\ t \\ t \end{bmatrix} \text{ i.e. } t \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

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$$\begin{array}{l} x + y - z = 2 \\ x + 2y + z = 3 \\ x + y + (k^2 - 5)z = k \end{array} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{II} - \text{I} \\ \text{III} - \text{I}}} \begin{array}{l} x + y - z = 2 \\ y + 2z = 1 \\ (k^2 - 4)z = k - 2 \end{array} \rightarrow \text{3 cases}$$

If $k^2 - 4 \neq 0$
(i.e. $k \neq \pm 2$)

$$\xrightarrow{\text{III} \div (k^2 - 4)} \begin{array}{l} x + y - z = 2 \\ y + 2z = 1 \\ z = \frac{1}{k+2} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{I} - \text{II} + \text{III}} \begin{array}{l} x = 1 + \frac{1}{k+2} \\ y + 2z = 1 \\ z = \frac{1}{k+2} \end{array}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{II} - 2\text{III}} \begin{cases} x = 1 + \frac{1}{k+2} \\ y = 1 - \frac{2}{k+2} \\ z = \frac{1}{k+2} \end{cases} \text{ the unique solution}$$

If $k = 2$

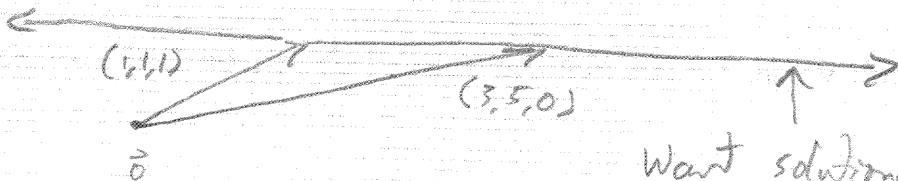
$$\rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x + y - z = 2 \\ y + 2z = 1 \\ 0 = 0 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{I} - \text{II}} \begin{array}{l} x - 3z = 1 \\ y + 2z = 1 \\ 0 = 0 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 1 + 3z \\ y = 1 - 2z \\ z \text{ free} \end{cases}$$

∞ -ly many solutions $\begin{bmatrix} 1 + 3t \\ 1 - 2t \\ t \end{bmatrix} t \in \mathbb{R}$

If $k = -2$

$$\rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x + y - z = 2 \\ y + 2z = 1 \\ 0 = -4 \end{array} \rightarrow \text{impossible to satisfy: no solutions}$$

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Want solutions on this

$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ is parallel to the line so I want solutions

to look like $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{R}$

i.e. $x = 1 + 3t$

$y = 1 + 5t, t \in \mathbb{R}$

$z = 1 - t$

Choose one variable to be free, say z ,

Then $t = 1 - z$ so

$x = 1 + 3(1 - z)$

$y = 1 + 5(1 - z)$

z free

i.e. $\begin{cases} x = 4 - 3z \\ y = 6 - 5z \\ z \text{ free} \end{cases}$

The easiest set of three equations in three unknowns whose solution is

$$\begin{cases} x + 3z = 4 \\ y + 5z = 6 \end{cases}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 & | & \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 4 & | & -8 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & -1 & | & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & -6 & 8 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & 4 & | & -12 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{III} - 3\text{I}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 4 & | & -8 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & -1 & | & 6 \\ 0 & 4 & -12 & -4 & | & 24 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & 4 & | & -12 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} \text{III} - 4\text{II} \\ \text{IV} + \text{II} \end{matrix}}$$

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so x_3 free and $x_1 + 2x_3 = 0$
 $x_2 - 3x_3 = 4$
 $x_4 = -2$

i.e. solutions are

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2t \\ 4 + 3t \\ t \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

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a. Rows II and III both have leading 1's so not rref

b. • Pivot of each row is 1 ✓

• Each column containing a leading 1 has only 0's in all other entries ✓

• Each row containing a leading 1 has leading 1's further left in each row above ✓

So it is in rref

c. Row III contains a leading 1, but Row II has no leading 1's so not rref

d. • Pivot is 1 ✓

• ← these conditions don't matter because they only apply

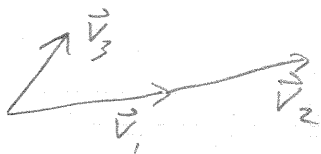
• to matrices with more than one row ✓

So it is in rref

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$$\text{rref} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so } \boxed{\text{rank} = 2}$$

1.3/6



$$\vec{v}_1 \parallel \vec{v}_2 \Rightarrow x\vec{v}_1 + y\vec{v}_2 \parallel \vec{v}_1 \text{ for any } x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

so since $\vec{v}_3 \not\parallel \vec{v}_1$, $x\vec{v}_1 + y\vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_3$ is impossible.

No solutions

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rref must look exactly like a square matrix with only 1's on the diagonal.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix}$$

would mean infinitely many solutions if $a=0$ or no solutions if $a \neq 0$

likewise

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & * & 0 & 0 & * \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix} \text{ etc.}$$

If rref has no row of 0's, it must be exactly

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

which always means unique solution

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To read off a unique solution, rref must look like

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & * \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & * \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\text{Want } x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e. want $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & | & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & -3 & | & b \\ 2 & 4 & -2 & | & c \end{bmatrix}$ to have at least one solution.

row reduce to $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & | & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & b-9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & c-6 \end{bmatrix}$ which is only consistent when
 $0 = b - 9$
 and $0 = c - 6$

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{cases} b=9 \\ c=6 \end{cases}$$

In that case any $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ satisfying $x+2y-z=3$

would work