

HW # 9 - Math 211

B 11/7.4 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. We solve $A\bar{x} = \bar{0}$ by row-reduction:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[\text{to } R_2, R_3]{\text{add } -R_1} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[\sim]{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 &= 0 \\ -x_2 - x_3 &= 0 \\ -x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Backsolve \Rightarrow

$$x_3 = 0 ; x_2 = 0 ; x_1 = 0.$$

Hence $\underline{\underline{\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}}$ is the only solution. (This can be concluded from the fact that A has only nonzero entries along the diagonal, hence no free variables.)
 A is therefore nonsingular.

B 12/7.4 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Row-reducing the augmented matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = -x_3 ; x_1 = -x_2 - 2x_3 = -x_3$$

x_3 - free

$$\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x_3 \\ -x_3 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \underline{\underline{\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}}$$

A is singular.

B21/7.4. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ We apply row-reduction to $[A | I_3]$:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \boxed{1} & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \boxed{2} & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_2}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \boxed{1} & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{(pivots on the diagonal,} \\ \text{A is nonsingular)} \end{array}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 - \frac{1}{2}R_3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & \mathbf{2} & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 - 2R_2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Hence $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

B23/7.4 The system has three variables and 2 equations, hence at least one column has no pivot, i.e.

the system has either an infinite # of solutions (if it is consistent), or no solutions, at all (if it is inconsistent).

B31/7.4. Reduce the augmented matrix

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 2 & -4 & 0 \\ 3 & -5 & 10 & a \\ 2 & -4 & 8 & b \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -4 & 8 & b \\ 3 & -5 & 10 & a \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_1} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & 4 & \frac{b}{2} \\ 3 & -5 & 10 & a \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R2 \leftrightarrow 3R1 \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 & | & b/2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & | & a-3b/2 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R3-2R2 \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 & | & b/2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & | & a-3b/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & -2a+3b \end{bmatrix}$$

The system is consistent if and only if the bottom entry in the right column is 0. Hence, the condition

$$\underline{-2a + 3b = 0}$$

gives us a consistent system.

B 5/7.5. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -5 & -2 & -5 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. We need to find $\text{null}(A)$, i.e. the solution set of $A\bar{x} = \bar{0}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -5 & -2 & -5 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$x_2 = 0$$

x_3 - free

$$\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x_3 \\ 0 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{null}(A) = \left\{ t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

B 14/7.5. $\bar{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 9 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$, $\bar{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$, $\bar{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -18 \\ 40 \end{bmatrix}$

In order to study if the vectors are linearly independent or not, we study the nullspace of the associated matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -8 & -2 & 8 & | & 0 \\ 9 & 0 & -18 & | & 0 \\ -6 & 7 & 40 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1/4 & -1 & | & 0 \\ 9 & 0 & -18 & | & 0 \\ -6 & 7 & 40 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1/4 & -1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & -9/4 & -9 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 37/4 & 37 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & \frac{1}{4} & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} \boxed{1} & \frac{1}{4} & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{1} & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

The null space is nontrivial (there is a free variable) hence the vectors are linearly dependent.

To find a nontrivial linear combination, we solve the homogeneous system (to find the nullspace):

$$x_1 + \frac{1}{4}x_2 - x_3 = 0$$

$$x_2 + 4x_3 = 0$$

x_3 - free

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = -4x_3, x_1 = 2x_3$$

$$\text{null}(A) = \left\{ x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, x_3 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Pick $x_3 = 1 \Rightarrow c_2 = -4, c_1 = 2$ and then

$$\underline{2\bar{v}_1 - 4\bar{v}_2 + \bar{v}_3 = \bar{0}}$$

B22/7.5. Basis for $\text{span}\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3\}$ given by the vectors corresponding to pivot columns, ^(exercise 14) i.e. \bar{v}_1 and \bar{v}_2 .

$$\underline{B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 9 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \right\}}$$
 Dimension is 2.

B31/7.5.

Row reduce

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & -2 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -12 & -4 & -14 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 11 & 4 & 13 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \dots \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -6 & -2 & -7 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Hence $x_1 - 6x_2 - 2x_3 - 7x_4 = 0$

$$x_2 + x_4 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = -x_4 \text{ and}$$

x_3, x_4 - free

$$x_1 = 6x_2 + 2x_3 + 7x_4 \\ = 2x_3 + x_4$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_3 + x_4 \\ -x_4 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A basis for $\text{null}(A)$: $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

B 39 / 7.5. Solve $A\bar{x} = \bar{b}$ by row-reduction:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & -2 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -12 & -4 & -14 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 11 & 4 & 13 & -6 \end{array} \right] \sim \dots \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -6 & -2 & -7 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Similar to previous exercise,

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 + 2x_3 + x_4 \\ -x_4 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Notice that the solution set is obtained from $\text{null}(A)$ by adding $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$).

Manual (Chapter 11)

Exercise 7

```
>> A=[-19,-128,81,38;8,61,-27,-16;2,4,12,-4;-8,-16,12,16];  
>> b=[3;5;-21;-4];  
>> M=[A,b]
```

M =

```
   -19   -128    81    38     3  
     8     61   -27   -16     5  
     2      4    12    -4   -21  
    -8    -16    12    16    -4
```

```
>> rref(M)
```

ans =

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     1     0     0    -2     0  
     0     1     0     0     0  
     0     0     1     0     0  
     0     0     0     0     1
```

Looking at the last row of the reduced echelon form, we conclude that the system is inconsistent.

Exercise 8

```
>> A=[2,0,2;1,0,1;-7,12,5];  
>> b=[6;3;27];  
>> M=[A,b]
```

M =

```
     2     0     2     6  
     1     0     1     3  
    -7    12     5    27
```

```
>> rref(M)
```

ans =

```
     1     0     1     3  
     0     1     1     4  
     0     0     0     0
```

Notice that the system is consistent and has a free variable (therefore infinitely many solutions). If one tries to find the solution by using the operation $A \setminus b$, Matlab reports a warning. $A \setminus b$ can be used only if the system has a unique solution.

The general solution can be found by backsolving the equivalent system:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_3 &= 3 \\ x_2 + x_3 &= 4 \end{aligned} \quad \text{with } x_3 \text{ is a free variable. One obtains } x_2=4-x_3 \text{ and } x_1=3-x_3.$$

Exercise 13

One can use the row reduction procedure to find the nullspace and then a basis, or the MATLAB command `null(A,'r')` to get a basis in a direct way

```
>> A=[2,-4,-9;0,0,2;0,0,1];  
>> null(A,'r')
```

ans =

```
2  
1  
0
```

A basis consists of one vector $[2;1;0]$, hence the dimension of the nullspace is 1.

Exercise 21

One needs to study the nullspace of the matrix which has the vectors v_1, v_2, v_3 as its columns. The 'null' command gives a basis of the nullspace.

```
>> v1=[1;1;1]; v2=[1;-1;1]; v3=[5;1;5];  
>> V=[v1,v2,v3]  
>> null(V,'r')
```

ans =

```
-3  
-2  
1
```

Since the nullspace is nontrivial, the vectors v_1, v_2, v_3 are linearly dependent. A nontrivial linear combination would be

$$-3v_1 - 2v_2 + v_3 = 0$$

Exercise 22

```
>> v1=[1;0;1;0]; v2=[0;1;1;1]; v3=[5;-6;-1;-6];  
>> V=[v1,v2,v3]  
>> null(V,'r')
```

ans =

```
-5  
6  
1
```

>> Since the nullspace is nontrivial, the vectors v_1, v_2, v_3 are linearly dependent. A nontrivial linear combination would be

$$-5v_1 + 6v_2 + v_3 = 0$$