

Homework Solutions – Week of September 9

Section 2.4:

- (2) Let x_1 be the number of bacteria in Strand I, x_2 be the number of bacteria in Strand II, and x_3 be the number of bacteria in Strand III. We need to solve the linear system

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + 2x_2 &= 400 \\2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 &= 500 \\x_1 + x_2 + x_3 &= 600\end{aligned}$$

We perform Gaussian elimination:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 400 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 500 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 600 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 400 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 100 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 300 \end{array} \right].$$

The bottom row indicates that this system is inconsistent. No bacteria of any strand can coexist in the tube and consume all of the food.

- (3) Let x_1 equal the number of small arrangements, x_2 be the number of medium arrangements, and x_3 be the number of large arrangements. Then we have to solve the system

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 &= 24 \\3x_1 + 4x_2 + 8x_3 &= 50 \\3x_1 + 6x_2 + 6x_3 &= 48\end{aligned}$$

We row reduce the augmented matrix:

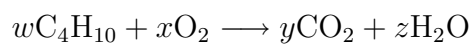
$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & 24 \\ 3 & 4 & 8 & 50 \\ 3 & 6 & 6 & 48 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 4 & 24 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right].$$

This gives us

$$\begin{aligned}x_3 &= 4 \\x_2 &= -2x_3 + 11 = -8 + 11 = 3 \\x_1 &= -2x_2 - 4x_3 + 24 = -6 - 16 + 24 = 2\end{aligned}$$

Thus, 2 small arrangements, 3 medium arrangements, and 4 large arrangements were made.

(9) We need to find non-negative integers w, x, y, z such that



is a balanced equation. This leads to the system

$$\begin{aligned}4w &= y \\10w &= 2z \\2x &= 2y + z\end{aligned}$$

After re-arranging the equations to get a homogeneous system, we row reduce the augmented matrix

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 4 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 10 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1/4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 10/4 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

We see that z is a free variable. Let $z = t$ where $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}(10/4)y &= 2z \implies y = (4/5)t \\x &= y + (1/2)z \implies x = (4/5)t + (1/2)t = (13/10)t \\w &= (1/4)y \implies w = (2/10)t\end{aligned}$$

Since w, x, y, z need to be non-negative integers we let $t = 10$. Then $w = 2, x = 13, y = 8, z = 10$. So the balanced equation is



- (15) (a) Keeping in mind that in-flow must equal out-flow at A, B and C , we obtain the system

$$\begin{aligned}f_1 + f_2 &= 20 \\f_2 - f_3 &= -10 \\f_1 + f_3 &= 30\end{aligned}$$

We row reduce the augmented matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 20 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -10 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 30 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 20 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

We see that f_3 corresponds to a free variable. Let $f_3 = t$ where $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}f_3 &= t \\f_2 &= f_3 - 10 = t - 10 \\f_1 &= -f_2 + 20 = 30 - t\end{aligned}$$

Note that each f_i must be greater than or equal to 0. Thus, t is a positive integer where $10 \leq t \leq 30$.

- (b) If $f_2 = 5$, then $t = 15$. Thus, $f_1 = 15 = f_3$.
- (c) An answer for this part can be found at the back of the text (page 676).
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- (16) (a) In-flow must equal out-flow at A, B, C and D . So, we obtain the system

$$\begin{aligned}f_1 + f_2 &= 20 \\f_1 + f_3 &= 25 \\f_2 + f_4 &= 25 \\f_3 + f_4 &= 30\end{aligned}$$

We row reduce the augmented matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 20 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 25 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 25 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 30 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 20 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 30 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

We see that f_4 corresponds to a free variable. Let $f_4 = t$ where $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} f_3 &= 30 - t \\ f_2 &= f_3 - 5 = 30 - t - 5 = 25 - t \\ f_1 &= -f_2 + 20 = t - 25 + 20 = t - 5 \end{aligned}$$

Here, we need t to be an integer such that each $f_i \geq 0$. Thus, t is an integer such that $5 \leq t \leq 25$.

(b) If $f_4 = 10$, then $t = 10$. So,

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= 5 \\ f_2 &= 15 \\ f_3 &= 20 \\ f_4 &= 10 \end{aligned}$$

where each number represents vehicles per minute.

(c) By part (a), $5 \leq t \leq 25$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq f_1 \leq 20 \\ 0 &\leq f_2 \leq 20 \\ 5 &\leq f_3 \leq 25 \\ 5 &\leq f_4 \leq 25 \end{aligned}$$

(d) If all the directions were reversed then the solution would remain the same. This is because the in-flow and out-flow relations would remain the same.

(34) Let x_i be the measure of type i in a bundle, for $i = 1, 2, 3$. We need to solve the system

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 = 39$$

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 34$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 26$$

We form the augmented matrix and row reduce:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 26 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 34 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 39 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 26 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 18 \\ 0 & 0 & 12 & 33 \end{array} \right]$$

This gives us the solution

$$\left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 111/12 \\ 51/12 \\ 33/12 \end{array} \right] \right\}.$$

(39 b) We plug each point into the equation $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ to obtain the system

$$9a - 3b + c = 1$$

$$4a - 2b + c = 2$$

$$a - b + c = 5$$

We use Gaussian elimination to solve the system:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 5 \\ 4 & -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 9 & -3 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -3/2 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 10 \end{array} \right].$$

We compute the solution set to be:

$$\left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} a \\ b \\ c \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 6 \\ 10 \end{array} \right] \right\}.$$

Therefore, $y = x^2 + 6x + 10$.

(42) Multiplying both sides of the given equation by $x^3 + 2x^2 + x = x(x + 1)^2$ we obtain

$$x^2 - 3x + 3 = A(x^2 + 2x + 1) + B(x^2 + x) + Cx$$

or, equivalently,

$$x^2 - 3x + 3 = (A + B)x^2 + (2A + B + C)x + A.$$

Comparing coefficients, we have the system

$$\begin{aligned} A + B &= 1 \\ 2A + B + C &= -3 \\ A &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

We row reduce the augmented matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -7 \end{array} \right].$$

This yields the solution

$$\left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} A \\ B \\ C \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ -2 \\ -7 \end{array} \right] \right\}.$$

So,

$$\frac{x^2 - 3x + 3}{x^3 + 2x^2 + x} = \frac{3}{x} - \frac{2}{x + 1} - \frac{7}{(x + 1)^2}.$$

Section 3.1:

- (3) $B - C$ cannot be computed since B is 2×3 but C is 3×2
- (5) An answer to this exercise can be found at the back of your text (page 680).
- (7) An answer to this exercise can be found at the back of your text (page 680).
- (13) An answer to this exercise can be found at the back of your text (page 680).

(14)

$$\begin{aligned} DA - AD &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -15 \\ -7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -9 \\ -10 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -6 \\ 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(17) An answer to this exercise can be found at the back of the text (page 680).

(18) Let $B = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $C = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & c_2 \\ c_3 & c_4 \end{bmatrix}$. We want

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2b_1 + b_3 & 2b_2 + b_4 \\ 6b_1 + 3b_3 & 6b_2 + 3b_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2c_1 + c_3 & 2c_2 + c_4 \\ 6c_1 + 3c_3 & 6c_2 + 3c_4 \end{bmatrix} = AC$$

where $b_i \neq c_i$ for any $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$. Letting $b_1 = b_2 = 1, b_3 = b_4 = 0$ and $c_1 = c_2 = 0, c_3 = c_4 = 2$ would satisfy the conditions we are looking for. Thus,

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \& \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(19) A solution to this exercise can be found at the back of your text (page 680).

(20) Let $C = \begin{bmatrix} 0.75 \\ 1.00 \end{bmatrix}$. Then

$$AC = \begin{bmatrix} 200 & 75 \\ 150 & 100 \\ 100 & 125 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.75 \\ 1.00 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 225.00 \\ 212.50 \\ 200.00 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Row i is the total cost to distribute product i . For example, the cost to distribute product 1 is

$$200(0.75) + 75(1.00) = 225.00$$

which is the first row of AC .

(21) A solution to this exercise can be found at the back of your text (page 680).

(22)

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

(23) A solution to this exercise can be found at the back of the text (page 680).

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(39) Answers for parts (a) and (c) can be found at the back of the text (page 680).

Answers for parts (b) and (d) are:

$$(b) A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -3 & -2 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(d) A = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2}/2 & 1 & \sqrt{2}/2 & 0 \\ 1 & \sqrt{2}/2 & 0 & -\sqrt{2}/2 \\ \sqrt{2}/2 & 0 & -\sqrt{2}/2 & -1 \\ 0 & -\sqrt{2}/2 & -1 & -\sqrt{2}/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Section 3.2

(3) We have

$$2(A + 2B) = 3X \implies X = \frac{2}{3}(A + 2B) = \begin{bmatrix} -2/3 & 4/3 \\ 10/3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(4) We have

$$2(A - B + X) = 3(X - A) \implies 2A - 2B + 2X = 3X - 3A \implies X = 5A - 2B.$$

So,

$$X = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 10 \\ 13 & 18 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(7) We want to find scalars $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$B = c_1 A_1 + c_2 A_2 + c_3 A_3.$$

That is,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & 0 & -c_1 \\ 0 & c_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -c_2 & 2c_2 & 0 \\ 0 & c_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} c_3 & c_3 & c_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} c_1 - c_2 + c_3 & 2c_2 + c_3 & -c_1 + c_3 \\ 0 & c_1 + c_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have to solve the system

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 - c_2 + c_3 &= 3 \\ 2c_2 + c_3 &= 1 \\ -c_1 + c_3 &= 1 \\ c_1 + c_2 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

We row reduce the associated augmented matrix

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5/9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3/2 \end{array} \right].$$

We see that this system is inconsistent (the bottom two rows give two different values for c_3). Thus, B is not a linear combination of A_1, A_2, A_3 .

(11)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Span}(A_1, A_2, A_3) &= \left\{ c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} c_1 - c_2 + c_3 & 2c_2 + c_3 & -c_1 + c_3 \\ 0 & c_1 + c_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

To find the general form of the span of these matrices, we need to solve the linear system

$$\begin{aligned}c_1 - c_2 + c_3 &= w \\2c_2 + c_3 &= x \\-c_1 + c_3 &= y \\c_1 + c_2 &= z\end{aligned}$$

for some $w, x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$. We row reduce the augmented matrix of this system:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & w \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & x \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & y \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & z \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & w \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -w - y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & x/5 + 2/5w + 2/5y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & z - 1/5w + 4/5y - 3/5x \end{array} \right].$$

For the system to be consistent we must have

$$z - 1/5w + 4/5y - 3/5x = 0 \implies w = -3x + 4y + 5z.$$

So, the general form of the $\text{span}(A_1, A_2, A_3)$ is

$$\text{span}(A_1, A_2, A_3) = \left\{ \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} -3x + 4y + 5z & x & y & \\ 0 & z & 0 & \end{array} \right] : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

(15) Suppose we have the linear combination

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + c_4 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 \\ 1 & 9 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

for some constants $c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 \in \mathbb{R}$. Comparing entries of the matrices in this equation, we obtain the system

$$\begin{aligned}c_2 - 2c_3 - c_4 &= 0 \\c_1 - c_3 - 3c_4 &= 0 \\5c_1 + 2c_2 + c_4 &= 0 \\2c_1 + 3c_2 + c_3 + 9c_4 &= 0 \\-c_1 + c_2 + 4c_4 &= 0 \\c_2 + 2c_3 + 5c_4 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

We row reduce the augmented matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & -3 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 9 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

Since there are no free variables, we conclude that the system has only the trivial solution $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = c_4 = 0$. So, by definition, the given matrices are linearly independent.

(22) Suppose that $AB = BA$. Then

$$(A - B)(A + B) = A^2 + AB - BA - B^2 = A^2 + AB - AB - B^2 = A^2 - B^2.$$

Now assume that $(A - B)(A + B) = A^2 - B^2$. Then

$$(A - B)(A + B) = A^2 + AB - BA - B^2 = A^2 - B^2 \implies AB - BA = 0 \implies AB = BA,$$

where 0 denotes the zero matrix.

(23) We want

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} a+c & b+d \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & a+b \\ c & c+d \end{bmatrix} = BA.$$

Thus, we must have $a+c = a, b+d = a+b, d = c+d$. This implies that $c = 0$ and $a = d$.

(26) We want

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus, comparing the matrix entries, we see that $b = 0$ and $c = 0$.

(27) If B commuted with every 2×2 matrix, then in particular B would commute with $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. So,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+b & 0 \\ c+d & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ a & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ c & c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+c & b+d \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore, we must have $b = 0$ and $c = 0$.

Letting $b = c = 0$, we want

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s & t \\ u & v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} as & at \\ du & dv \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} as & dt \\ au & dv \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s & t \\ u & v \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix}.$$

Comparing entries, we conclude that $au = du$ for all u and so $a = d$.