

Assignment 1

CS131

Fall 2025

Basic Problems

1. coeff. matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -2 \\ 2 & -3 & -5 \\ -2 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

augmented matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -2 & -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -3 & -5 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & 7 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

2. $x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 + x_4 = 7$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_4 = 15$$

$$-2x_1 - 6x_2 - 3x_4 = -27$$

3. Plug in values:

$$(1) - 2(3) + 2 - 2(3) = 1 - 6 + 2 - 6 = -9$$

$$1 - 3 - 2 - 2(3) = 1 - 3 - 2 - 6 = -10$$

$$-3(1) + 8(3) - 6(2) + 4(3) = -3 + 24 - 12 + 12 = 21$$

$$2(3) - 7(2) + 7(3) = 6 - 14 + 21 = 13$$

4. Augmented matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & -2 & -2 & -7 & -7 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 & 10 & -7 \\ 2 & -6 & -3 & -18 & \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 + R_1} \quad \text{Step 1}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & -2 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & -6 & -3 & -18 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - 2R_1} \quad \text{Step 2}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & -2 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & -4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + 2R_2} \quad \text{Step 3}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & -2 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + 2R_3} \quad \text{Step 4}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 &= 3 \\ x_2 &= 3 \\ x_3 &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$(3, 3, 2)$ is the unique solution.

$$5 \cdot \left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 9 & 5 & -2 & -5 & -9 \\ 5 & -7 & 1 & -2 & -9 \\ 5 & 1 & -10 & 6 & -5 \\ 5 & 7 & -5 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_4 \leftarrow -R_4}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 9 & 5 & -2 & -5 & -9 \\ 5 & -7 & 1 & -2 & -9 \\ 5 & 1 & -10 & 6 & -5 \\ -5 & -7 & 5 & -2 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 2R_3}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 9 & 5 & -7 & -5 & -9 \\ -5 & -9 & 21 & -14 & 1 & +5 \\ 5 & 1 & -10 & 6 & -5 \\ -5 & -7 & 5 & -2 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - 5R_4}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 9 & 5 & -7 & -5 & -9 \\ 20 & 26 & -4 & -4 & 6 \\ 5 & 1 & -10 & 6 & -5 \\ -5 & -7 & 5 & -2 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftarrow R_3 + 3R_4}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 9 & 5 & -7 & -5 & -9 \\ 20 & 26 & -4 & -4 & 6 \\ -10 & -20 & 5 & 0 & -8 \\ -5 & -7 & 5 & -2 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_2}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 9 & 5 & -7 & -5 & -9 \\ -10 & -20 & 5 & 0 & -8 \\ 20 & 26 & -4 & -4 & 6 \\ -5 & -7 & 5 & -2 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

6.

$$x_1 = -3 - x_2 + 4x_6 - 5x_7$$

x_2 is free

$$x_3 = -4 - x_6 - 3x_7$$

x_4 is free

$$x_5 = 2 - 5x_6 + 3x_7$$

x_6 is free

x_7 is free

7.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -4 & 0 \\ -2 & -3 & -6 & 2 \\ -2 & -2 & -4 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_2 &\leftarrow R_2 + R_1 \\ R_3 &\leftarrow R_3 - 2R_1 \\ R_4 &\leftarrow R_4 + 2R_1 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} R_3 &\leftarrow R_3 + R_2 \\ R_4 &\leftarrow R_4 + R_2 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} R_4 &\leftarrow R_4 - 2R_2 \\ R_1 &\leftarrow R_1 - R_3 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + R_2$$

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}$$

True / False

1. True

2. False

3. True

4. True

5. False

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\quad} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ \downarrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\quad} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

6. True

7. False

8. False

$$x + y + z = 1$$

$$x + y + z = 2$$

9. False

$$x + y = 1$$

$$x + y = 2$$

$$x + y = 3$$

More Difficult Problems

1.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 4 & -1 & \\ 3 & -h & 7 & \\ \hline -3 & -12 & 7+3 & \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 4 & -1 & \\ 0 & -h-12 & 10 & \\ \hline 0 & -12 & 10 & \end{array} \right]$$

The system is inconsistent exactly when
 $h = -12$.

There are no values of h so that
the system has infinitely many solutions.
This would require the second equation to
be a multiple of the first, which is
not possible.

$$2. \quad \begin{bmatrix} h & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 9 & k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a) \quad h = 2/3$$

$$k = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 18 & 3 \\ 6 & 18 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b) \quad h = 0$$

$$k = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c) h = \begin{smallmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{smallmatrix}$$

$$K = \begin{smallmatrix} 9 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{smallmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \begin{smallmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{smallmatrix} & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 9 & \begin{smallmatrix} 9 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{smallmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 18 & 9 \\ 6 & 18 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 18 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$