

Write all responses on separate paper. Show your work for credit.

1. Find a unit vector \hat{u} parallel to $[3,4]$ and a unit vector \hat{w} in the parallel to $[5,12]$ and then compute $(\hat{u} + \hat{w}) \cdot (\hat{u} - \hat{w})$

2. Find a combination $x_1\vec{w}_1 + x_2\vec{w}_2 + x_3\vec{w}_3$ that gives the zero vector where

$$\vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{w}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Draw the row and column pictures for the equations $x + 2y = 5$ and $x - y = -1$

4. Show that the three vectors \vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2 and \vec{r}_3 that make up the rows of $C = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{r}_1 \\ \vec{r}_2 \\ \vec{r}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ are coplanar, that is, they all lie in one plane. Hint: Show there is a non-trivial solution to $C\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.

5. What 2 by 2 matrix R rotates every vector through 30° ? Find the inverse of R and show that $R^{-1}R = I_2$.

6. Consider the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + y &= 29 \\ x + 2y + z &= 65 \\ y + 2z &= 51 \end{aligned}$$

- a. Reduce this system to upper triangular form by two row operations.
b. Write this system as a matrix equation $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ and find the $A = LU$ factorization of A .

7. Consider the matrices,

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ b & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & c & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- a. Compute EF and FE :
b. Compute E^3 and F^3 .
c. Find formulas for E^n and F^n .

8. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ compute the inverse matrix of A^4 and use it to solve $A^4\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.

9. Find the LDU factorization of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 \\ 4 & 15 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$.

Math 2B – Linear Algebra – Test 1 Solutions – S13

1. Find a unit vector \hat{u} parallel to $[3,4]$ and a unit vector \hat{w} in the parallel to $[5,12]$ and then compute $(\hat{u} + \hat{w}) \cdot (\hat{u} - \hat{w})$

SOLN: $\hat{u} = \left[\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right]$ and $\hat{w} = \left[\frac{5}{13}, \frac{12}{13}\right]$. So $(\hat{u} + \hat{w}) \cdot (\hat{u} - \hat{w}) = \left[\frac{64}{65}, \frac{112}{65}\right] \cdot \left[\frac{14}{65}, -\frac{8}{65}\right] = \left[\frac{896}{65^2} - \frac{896}{65^2}\right] = 0$.

More simply, since unit vectors form the sides of a rhombus, and the diagonals are perpendicular, this is 0.

2. Find a combination $x_1\vec{w}_1 + x_2\vec{w}_2 + x_3\vec{w}_3$ that gives the zero vector where

$$\vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{w}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

SOLN: This problem asks for a linear combination of the vectors that is the zero vector. This is equivalent to

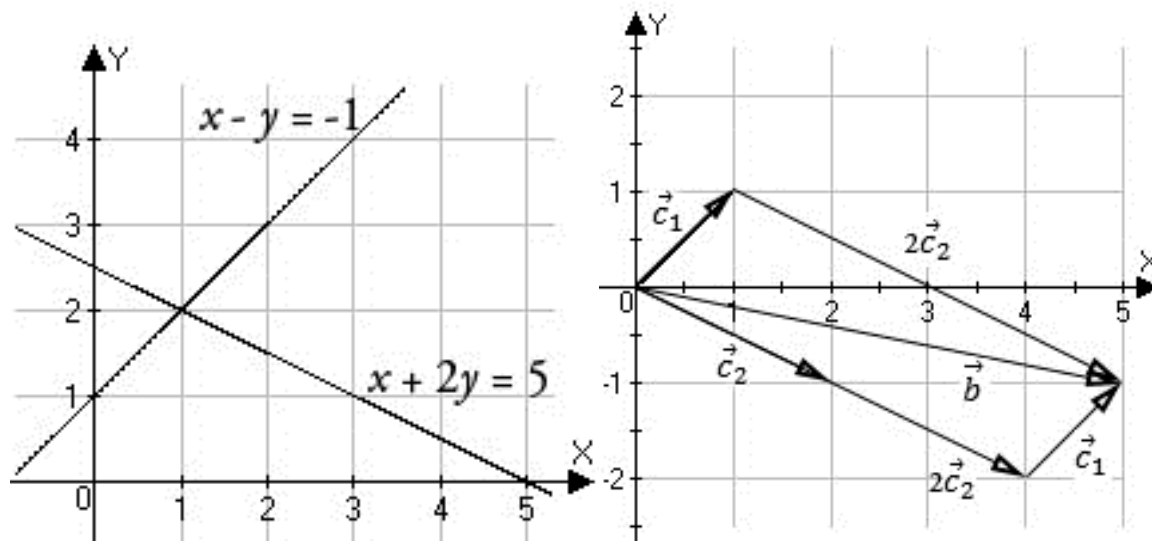
solving $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ The augmented matrix for this system is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 0 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & -12 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so all solutions are of the form } \vec{x} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Taking $t = 2$, for instance, we get $2\vec{w}_1 - 4\vec{w}_2 + 2\vec{w}_3 = \vec{0}$.

3. Draw the row and column pictures for the equations $x + 2y = 5$ and $x - y = -1$

SOLN: The row picture is just the graph of the two lines showing their point of intersection, as the solution to the system. The column vectors are $\vec{c}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{c}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and the column picture shows how multiples of these vectors combine to form the RHS column, $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$. Evidently, $\vec{c}_1 + 2\vec{c}_2 = \vec{b}$



4. Show that the three vectors \vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2 and \vec{r}_3 that make up the rows of $C = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{r}_1 \\ \vec{r}_2 \\ \vec{r}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

are coplanar, that is, they all lie in one plane. Hint: Show there is a non-trivial solution to $C\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.

ANS: Since $\vec{r}_3 = -\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1$, \vec{r}_3 is a linear combination of \vec{r}_2 and \vec{r}_1 , which means that \vec{r}_3 is in the plane containing \vec{r}_2 and \vec{r}_1 .

5. What 2 by 2 matrix R rotates every vector through 30° ? Find the inverse of R and show that $R^{-1}R = I_2$.

SOLN: In general, a 2 by 2 rotation matrix has the form $\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$, but if you forget that, look

at what should happen to the unit vectors: $R \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $R \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 \end{bmatrix}$, so, by inspection,

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 & -1/2 \\ 1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. Consider the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + y &= 29 \\ x + 2y + z &= 65 \\ y + 2z &= 51 \end{aligned}$$

- a. Reduce this system to upper triangular form by two row operations.

SOLN: The augmented matrix is $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 29 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 65 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 51 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 29 \\ 0 & 3/2 & 1 & 101/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 51 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 29 \\ 0 & 3/2 & 1 & 101/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 4/3 & 52/3 \end{bmatrix}$

- b. Write this system as a matrix equation $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ and find the $A = LU$ factorization of A .

SOLN: You could go one further for the LDU version:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 29 \\ 65 \\ 51 \end{bmatrix} \\ A &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3/2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4/3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3/2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4/3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 2/3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

7. Consider the matrices,

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ b & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & c & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- a. Compute EF and FE :

SOLN: $EF = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ b & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & c & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ b & c & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

and $FE = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & c & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ b & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ ca + b & c & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- b. Compute E^3 and F^3 .

SOLN:

$$E^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2a & 1 & 0 \\ 2b & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ b & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3a & 1 & 0 \\ 3b & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$F^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2c & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & c & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3c & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

c. Find formulas for E^n and F^n .

SOLN: Claim:

$$E^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ na & 1 & 0 \\ nb & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Proof by induction: We've shown the formula works for $n = 2$ and 3 . Assume it works for $n - 1$. Then

$$E^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ (n-1)a & 1 & 0 \\ (n-1)b & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ na & 1 & 0 \\ nb & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Similarly,

$$F^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & (n-1)c & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & c & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & nc & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

8. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ compute the inverse matrix of A^4 and use it to solve $A^4 \vec{x} = \vec{0}$.

$$\text{SOLN: } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so } A^{-2} = (A^{-1})^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Thus } (A^4)^{-1} = A^{-4} = (A^{-2})^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 10 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 20 & 10 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{And, well, of course, the only solution is } \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 10 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 20 & 10 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{0} = \vec{0}$$

9. Find the LDU factorization of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 \\ 4 & 15 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\text{SOLN: } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 4 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 \\ 4 & 15 & 17 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 15 & 17 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$