

## Linear Algebra

### Problem Set 1

Spring 2015

Due Tuesday, 10 March 2015 at 12:00 PM in EE106. This problem set covers Lecture 1-4. Free feel to work with others, but the final write-up should be entirely based on your own understanding. Be sure to print your name and student ID on your homework.

1. (10pts) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 7 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Describe the set of all  $\mathbf{b}$  for which

$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  does have a solution.

2. (10pts) Write down the 3 by 3 elementary matrices that produce these elimination steps:
- (a)  $E_{21}$ : subtract 5 times row1 from row2.
  - (b)  $E_{23}$ : subtract  $-7$  times row3 from row2.
  - (c)  $P$ : exchange row1 and row2, then row1 and row3 (two steps).
  - (d)  $S$ : multiply row3 by 4, then row1 by 6 (two steps).

3. (10pts) Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find elimination matrices  $E_{21}$  then  $E_{32}$  then  $E_{43}$  to change  $A$  into an echelon form  $U$ , i.e.,  $E_{43}E_{32}E_{21}A = U$ .

4. (10pts) Consider the following three systems where the coefficients are the same for each system, but the right-hand sides are different:

$$x + 2y + z = 1 \mid 0 \mid 0$$

$$y + 4z = 0 \mid 1 \mid 0$$

$$x + 2y = 0 \mid 0 \mid 1$$

Solve all three systems at one time by performing Gaussian elimination on an

augmented matrix of the form  $[A \mid \mathbf{b}_1 \mid \mathbf{b}_2 \mid \mathbf{b}_3]$ . What is the 3 by 3 matrix  $X$  such

that  $XA = I$ ?

5. (15pts) The three types of elementary row operations are not independent: the row exchange operation can be accomplished by a sequence of the other two types of row operations, namely, replacing (i.e., subtracting  $k \times \text{row } i$  from  $\text{row } j$ ) and scaling (i.e., multiplying  $\text{row } i$  by  $k$ ,  $k \neq 0$ ). Apply a sequence of replacing and

scaling operations to the 3 by 3 identity matrix  $I$  to obtain the permutation matrix:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

6. (10pts) True or false. Give a specific example when false:

- (a) If columns 1 and 2 of  $A$  are the same, so are columns 1 and 2 of  $AB$ .
- (b) If rows 1 and 3 of  $A$  are the same, so are rows 1 and 3 of  $AB$ .
- (c) If rows 2 and 4 of  $A$  are the same, so are rows 2 and 4 of  $ABC$ .

7. (15pts) Without using Gaussian elimination, find  $X$  by inspection. Identify the size of  $X$  first.

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) X \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

8. (20pts) Section 2.4, Problem 36

To prove that  $(AB)C = A(BC)$ , use the column vectors  $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n$  of  $B$ . First suppose that  $C$  has only one column  $\mathbf{c}$  with entries  $c_1, \dots, c_n$ :

$AB$  has columns  $A\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, A\mathbf{b}_n$  and then  $(AB)\mathbf{c}$  equals  $c_1A\mathbf{b}_1 + \dots + c_nA\mathbf{b}_n$ .

$B\mathbf{c}$  has one column  $c_1\mathbf{b}_1 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{b}_n$  and then  $A(B\mathbf{c})$  equals  $A(c_1\mathbf{b}_1 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{b}_n)$ .

*Linearity* gives equality of those two sums. This proves  $(AB)\mathbf{c} = A(B\mathbf{c})$ . The same is true for all other \_\_\_\_\_ of  $C$ . Therefore  $(AB)C = A(BC)$ . Apply to inverses:

If  $BA=I$  and  $AC=I$ , prove that the left-inverse  $B$  equals the right-inverse  $C$ . Show every step of your proof.