

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

MATH 2610 – ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

*Linear algebra examples*

**Question 1.** Use Gauss-Jordan elimination to solve the system:

$$\begin{cases} x + 3y + 2z = 2 \\ 2x + 7y + 7z = -1 \\ 2x + 5y + 2z = 7 \end{cases}$$

**Question 2.** Compute  $AB$  if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -4 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Question 3.** Find the inverse of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Question 4.** Find the determinant of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Question 5.** Solve the system

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b},$$

where  $A$  is the matrix of question 3 and

$$\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

by using the inverse of  $A$ .

**Question 6.** Solve the system of question 5 by using Cramer's rule.

**SOLUTIONS.**

**Question 1.** The augmented matrix of the system is

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

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & \vdots & 2 \\ 2 & 7 & 7 & \vdots & -1 \\ 2 & 5 & 2 & \vdots & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} L_2 \leftarrow -2L_1 + L_2 \\ L_3 \leftarrow -2L_1 + L_3 \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & \vdots & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & \vdots & -5 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & \vdots & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \begin{array}{l} L_3 \leftarrow L_2 + L_3 \\ \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & \vdots & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & \vdots & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} L_2 \leftarrow -3L_3 + L_2 \\ L_1 \leftarrow -2L_3 + L_1 \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & \vdots & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \vdots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \begin{array}{l} L_1 \leftarrow -3L_2 + L_1 \\ \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \vdots & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \vdots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & -2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the solution of the system is  $x = 3$ ,  $y = 1$ ,  $z = -2$ .

**Question 2.** Let us compute the product of  $A$  with each column of  $B$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 7 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 23 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = -4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + 5 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -13 \\ 10 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + 9 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -24 \\ 41 \\ 57 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -13 & -24 \\ 23 & 10 & 41 \\ 11 & -8 & 57 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Question 3.** Write

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & 6 & \vdots & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and apply Gauss-Jordan elimination.

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & 6 & \vdots & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{L_1 \leftarrow L_1 - L_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & \vdots & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{L_2 \leftarrow L_2 - L_3} \\ & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & \vdots & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{L_3 \leftarrow L_3 - 2L_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & \vdots & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & \vdots & -2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & \vdots & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{L_3 \leftarrow L_3 - L_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & \vdots & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} L_2 \leftarrow 2L_3 + L_2 \\ L_2 \leftarrow -3L_3 + L_1 \end{matrix}} \\ & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & \vdots & 7 & -4 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \vdots & -4 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{L_1 \leftarrow L_1 - L_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \vdots & 11 & -7 & -9 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \vdots & -4 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & -7 & -9 \\ -4 & 3 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Question 4.** We have

$$A_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \det(A_{11}) = 4 \cdot 5 - 3 \cdot 3 = 11,$$

$$A_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \det(A_{12}) = 2 \cdot 5 - 3 \cdot 2 = 4,$$

$$A_{13} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \det(A_{13}) = 2 \cdot 3 - 2 \cdot 4 = -2.$$

Hence,

$$\det(A) = 3 \det(A_{11}) - 5 \det(A_{12}) + 6 \det(A_{13}) = 33 - 20 - 12 = 1.$$

**Question 5.** Write

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & 6 & \vdots & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and apply Gauss-Jordan elimination.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & 6 & \vdots & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{L_1 \leftarrow L_1 - L_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & \vdots & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{L_2 \leftarrow L_2 - L_3}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & \vdots & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{L_3 \leftarrow L_3 - 2L_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & \vdots & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & \vdots & -2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{L_3 \leftarrow L_3 - L_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & \vdots & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} L_2 \leftarrow 2L_3 + L_2 \\ L_2 \leftarrow -3L_3 + L_1 \end{matrix}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & \vdots & 7 & -4 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \vdots & -4 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{L_1 \leftarrow L_1 - L_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \vdots & 11 & -7 & -9 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \vdots & -4 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

So

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & -7 & -9 \\ -4 & 3 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore

$$\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & -7 & -9 \\ -4 & 3 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -14 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Question 6.** Replace the first column of A with  $\vec{b}$  to get:

$$A_1(\vec{b}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Analogously, replacing the second and third column produces

$$A_2(\vec{b}) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 6 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix},$$

and

$$A_3(\vec{b}) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$\det(A_1(\vec{b})) = 0 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = -14.$$

Analogously,

$$\det(A_2(\vec{b})) = -0 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - 0 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 6,$$

$$\det(A_3(\vec{b})) = 0 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 2.$$

We finally obtain

$$x_1 = \frac{\det(A_1(\vec{b}))}{\det(A)} = \frac{-14}{1} = -14,$$

$$x_2 = \frac{\det(A_2(\vec{b}))}{\det(A)} = \frac{6}{1} = 6,$$

$$x_3 = \frac{\det(A_3(\vec{b}))}{\det(A)} = \frac{2}{1} = 2,$$

in accordance to what we found in question 5.