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## Matrices and Determinants

**Question 1: Solve for  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$**

$$\begin{cases} x - 2y = 6 - 4z \\ x + 13z = 6 - y \\ -2x + 6y - z = -1 \end{cases} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{cases} x - 2y - 4z = 6 \\ x + y + 13z = 6 \\ -2x + 6y - z = -1 \end{cases}$$

**Augmented Matrix:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & 13 & 6 \\ -2 & 6 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Multiply row 1 by  $-1$  and add with row 2 and get your new row 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & 0 \\ -2 & 6 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}; R'_2 = R_2 - 1R_1$$

Multiply 2 with row 1 and add with row 3 and get your new row 3

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 7 & 11 \end{bmatrix}; R'_3 = R_3 + 2R_1$$

Multiply row 2 by  $1/3$  gives you following

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 7 & 11 \end{bmatrix}; R'_2 = \frac{1}{3}R_2$$

Multiply by  $-2$  with row 2 and add with row 3 and get your row 3

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 11 \end{bmatrix}; R'_3 = R_3 - 2R_2$$

Now by backward substitution to solve for variables:

$$z = 11, \quad y + 3(11) = 0 \quad x - 2(-6) + 4(11) = 6$$

$$y = -33$$

$$x = -104$$

Now practice:  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  ☺ Write the system of equations and solve. Ans (2, -1, 1)

### Question 2:

Below are three row-reduced echelon forms for matrices of certain linear systems. For each matrix, tell **how many solutions** the system has. **Explain**. If there are any, **find the solutions**. If there are infinitely many solutions, **find the general formula and two particular solutions**.

a.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  The system has unique solution with  $x=3, y=-2, z=5$

b.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  The system does not have solution

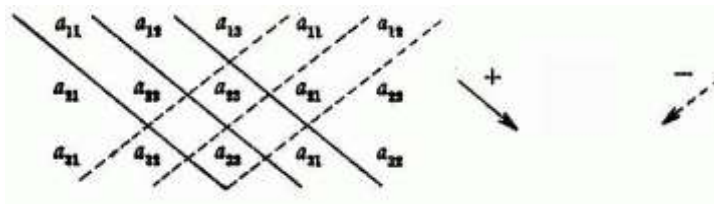
c.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  The system has many solutions, it is dependent and consistent.

The general solutions are  $\begin{cases} y + 3z = 0 \\ y = -3z \end{cases}$  and  $\begin{cases} x - 2z = 0 \\ x = 2z \end{cases}$

### Question 1:

**Sarrus Rule.** In order to compute

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$



Note: Sarrus rule is only applicable if the determinant is of order 3 by 3.

Example: Use Sarrus rule to find the value of  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{array} \Rightarrow A = 59 - 64 = -5$$

$12 + 4 + 48 = 64$   
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$$24 + 3 + 32 = 59$$

**Question 4:**
**Finding inverse of a matrix:**

Now let's learn how to find inverse of a matrix. There are different methods to find inverse matrix.

**Method 1.** Use Shortcut for 2 by 2 matrix

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } A^{-1} = \frac{1}{3(-3)-5(2)} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{19} & \frac{2}{19} \\ \frac{5}{19} & \frac{-3}{19} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Method 2 (Optional).** Use Gauss-Jordan elimination to transform  $[A | I]$  into  $[I | A^{-1}]$ .

**Example:** Consider a matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  and write the following

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] &\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ &\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3/2 & -1/2 \end{array} \right] \\ &\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3/2 & -1/2 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 3/2 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Method 3: Adjoint method**

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} (\text{adjoint of } A) \quad \text{or} \quad A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} (\text{cofactor matrix of } A)^T$$

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } |A| = -5 \text{ and } A^{-1} = \frac{1}{-5} \begin{bmatrix} 10 & -4 & -9 \\ -15 & 4 & 14 \\ 5 & -1 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now we know how to find inverse, let's go back to solution of system of equations:

Example 1: (continued) given system is 
$$\begin{cases} 3x + 2y = -1 \\ 5x - 3y = 11 \end{cases}$$

If we write in matrix form then we get the following,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

If we do  $AX = B$ , we get the given system and we can rewrite

$$\begin{aligned} AX &= B \\ \Rightarrow X &= A^{-1}B \end{aligned}$$

We have seen that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  then  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{3(-3) - 5(2)} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{19} & \frac{2}{19} \\ \frac{5}{19} & \frac{-3}{19} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{Now } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{19} & \frac{2}{19} \\ \frac{5}{19} & \frac{-3}{19} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so } x=1 \text{ and } y=-2$$

### Question 5:

Use Cramer's Rule to solve the system:

$$4x - y + z = -5$$

$$2x + 2y + 3z = 10$$

$$5x - 2y + 6z = 1$$

Solution. We begin by setting up four determinants:

$$D, D_x, D_y, \text{ and } D_z.$$

D consists of the coefficients of x, y, and z from the three equations

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 5 & -2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \quad D_x = \begin{vmatrix} -5 & -1 & 1 \\ 10 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \quad D_y = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -5 & 1 \\ 2 & 10 & 3 \\ 5 & 1 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \quad D_z = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -1 & -5 \\ 2 & 2 & 10 \\ 5 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$D_x$  is obtained by replacing the x-coefficients in the first column of D with the constants from the right sides of the equations.

$D_y$  is obtained by replacing the y-coefficients in the second column of D with the constants from the right sides of the equations.

$D_z$  is obtained by replacing the z-coefficients in the third column of D with the constants from the right sides of the equations.

Next, we evaluate the four determinants:

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 5 & -2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 4 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} - (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 5 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 4(12 - (-6)) + 1(12 - 15) + 1(-4 - 10)$$

$$= 4(18) + 1(-3) + 1(-14)$$

$$= 72 - 3 - 14$$

$$= 55$$

$$D_x = \begin{vmatrix} -5 & -1 & 1 \\ 10 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = -5 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} - (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 10 & 3 \\ 1 & 6 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 10 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -5(12 - (-6)) + 1(60 - 3) + 1(-20 - 2)$$

$$= -5(18) + 1(57) + 1(-22)$$

$$= -90 + 57 - 22$$

$$= -55$$

$$D_y = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -5 & 1 \\ 2 & 10 & 3 \\ 5 & 1 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 4 \begin{vmatrix} 10 & 3 \\ 1 & 6 \end{vmatrix} - (-5) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 10 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 4(60 - 3) + 5(12 - 15) + 1(2 - 50)$$

$$= 4(57) + 5(-3) + 1(-48)$$

$$= 228 - 15 - 48$$

$$= 165$$

$$D_z = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -1 & -5 \\ 2 & 2 & 10 \\ 5 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 4 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 10 \\ -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 10 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + (-5) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 5 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 4(2 - (-20)) + 1(2 - 50) - 5(-4 - 10)$$

$$= 4(22) + 1(-48) - 5(-14)$$

$$= 88 - 48 + 70$$

$$= 110$$

Substitute these four values into the formula from Cramer's Rule:

$$x = \frac{D_x}{D} = \frac{-55}{55} = -1 \quad y = \frac{D_y}{D} = \frac{165}{55} = 3 \quad z = \frac{D_z}{D} = \frac{110}{55} = 2$$

So, the solution is  $(-1, 3, 2)$ .

### Question 6:

Solve the system

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 &= 5 \\ 2x_2 - x_3 &= 1 \\ -3x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

**Solution:** Now applying the operation  $R_3 = r_3 + 3r_1$  we have the following

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 &= 5 \\ 2x_2 - x_3 &= 1 \\ 5x_2 + 11x_3 &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

Applying  $R_2 = 1/2r_2$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 &= 5 \\ x_2 - .5x_3 &= .5 \\ 5x_2 + 11x_3 &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

And by  $R_3 = r_3 - 5r_2$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 &= 5 \\ x_2 - .5x_3 &= .5 \\ 13.5x_3 &= 13.5 \end{aligned}$$

Finally we the following by applying  $R_3 = r_2 / 13.5$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 &= 5 \\ x_2 - .5x_3 &= .5 \\ x_3 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

We now have that  $x_3 = 1$ , and other unknowns can easily be found by backward substitution into second and first equations. We have the solution  $(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (1, 1, 1)$ . This method is called the Gaussian Elimination method.

**Question 7:**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 10 \\ -2 & -3 \\ 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 \\ 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad E = [1 \quad 3 \quad -4] \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 8 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad G = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Order of above matrices:

A is a matrix 3 by 2, B is 3 by 3, C is 3 by 2, D is 3 by 1, E is 1 by 3, F and G are 2 by 2 matrices.

Find the following if possible

1.  $-B$ ,
2.  $3A-2C$ ,
3.  $F+3G$ ,
4.  $2B-5C$

Answers:

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

$$3A-2C = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 10 \\ -2 & -3 \\ 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 \\ 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 30 \\ -4 & -15 \\ 10 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$F+3G = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 8 & 7 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 17 \\ 11 & 25 \end{bmatrix}$$

$2B-5C$  is not possible