

Solutions to Homework 3

Section 1.3

Problem 2. The rank is 3 since each row contains a leading one.

Problem 4. This matrix has rank 2 since its rref is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

Problem 6. There is no solution, since \vec{v}_2 is parallel to \vec{v}_1 , and so any linear combination of \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 will be parallel to \vec{v}_1 . But \vec{v}_3 isn't parallel to \vec{v}_1 .

Problem 10. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 - 4 + 3 = 0$.

Problem 18. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 17 \end{bmatrix}$.

Problem 22. By fact 1.3.4, the rref is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Problem 28. a. True; you can check that the new matrix satisfies the requirements for a matrix to be in rref listed on page 16.

b. False; removing the first column in $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ gives a counterexample.

Problem 48. Saying that \vec{x}_1 is a solution to $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ means that $A\vec{x}_1 = \vec{b}$. So

a. $A(\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_h) = A\vec{x}_1 + A\vec{x}_h = \vec{b} + \vec{0} = \vec{b}$, and so $\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_h$ is also a solution.

b. If \vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2 are both solutions, then $A(\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2) = A\vec{x}_1 - A\vec{x}_2 = \vec{b} - \vec{b} = \vec{0}$.

c. Parts (a) and (b) show that the solutions of $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ are exactly the vectors of the form $\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_h$, where \vec{x}_h is a solution of $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$. To see this, note that if \vec{x}_2 is a solution to $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$, then $A(\vec{x}_2 - \vec{x}_1) = \vec{0}$. On the other hand, we can write $\vec{x}_2 = \vec{x}_1 + (\vec{x}_2 - \vec{x}_1)$, so we can just set $\vec{x}_h = \vec{x}_2 - \vec{x}_1$.

Section 2.1

Problem 2. Linear; matrix is $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

Problem 4. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 3 & -3 \\ 2 & -9 & 1 \\ 4 & -9 & -2 \\ 5 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$.

Problem 6. Note that $x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$, so that T is linear, with matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$.