

HOMEWORK SET 2

MAT 217 · FALL 2008

You must show all work to get full credit. You can use a calculator to check your work.

Problem 1. Find the solution to the system of equations below using the Gauss-Jordan Method

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 + x_2 = 8 \\ x_1 + 3x_2 = 9 \end{cases}$$

Solution: Find the augmented matrix for the system of equations. Thus,

$$(A|b) = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 1 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \end{array} \right]$$

Using the Gauss-Jordan Method, we get

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 1 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{0.5R1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0.5 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R2 - R1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0.5 & 4 \\ 0 & 2.5 & 5 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{0.4R2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0.5 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R1 - 0.5R2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

It follows that $x_1 = 3$ and $x_2 = 2$.

Problem 2. Use Gauss-Jordan Method to solve the linear system

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 + 4x_2 - 2x_3 = 2 \\ 4x_1 + 9x_2 - 3x_3 = 8 \\ -2x_1 - 3x_2 + 7x_3 = 10 \end{cases}$$

Solution: Find the augmented matrix for the system of equations. Thus,

$$(A|b) = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 4 & -2 & 2 \\ 4 & 9 & -3 & 8 \\ -2 & -3 & 7 & 9 \end{array} \right]$$

Using the Gauss-Jordan Method, we get

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 4 & -2 & 2 \\ 4 & 9 & -3 & 8 \\ -2 & -3 & 7 & 9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{0.5R1} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 9 & -3 & 8 \\ -2 & -3 & 7 & 9 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R2 - 4R1, R3 - 2R1} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 12 \end{array} \right]$$
$$\xrightarrow{R1 - 2R2, R3 - R2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -3 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 8 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{0.25R3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -3 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R1 + 3R3, R2 - R3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

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It follows that $x_1 = -1, x_2 = 2$, and $x_3 = 2$.

Problem 3. Find the solution to the system of equations below using the Gauss-Jordan Method

$$\begin{cases} 3x_1 + 7x_2 + 4x_3 + 4x_4 = -7 \\ 7x_1 + 7x_2 + 4x_3 + 7x_4 = 3 \\ 4x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 + 3x_4 = 2 \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 + 3x_4 = 4 \end{cases}$$

Solution: Find the augmented matrix for the system of equations. Thus,

$$(A|b) = \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 7 & 4 & 4 & -7 \\ 7 & 7 & 4 & 7 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

Using the Gauss-Jordan Method, we get

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 7 & 4 & 4 & -7 \\ 7 & 7 & 4 & 7 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{1/3R1} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & \frac{7}{3} & \frac{4}{3} & \frac{4}{3} & -\frac{7}{3} \\ 7 & 7 & 4 & 7 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R2 - 7R1, R3 - 4R1, R4 - 3R1}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & \frac{7}{3} & \frac{4}{3} & \frac{4}{3} & -\frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & -\frac{28}{3} & -\frac{16}{3} & -\frac{7}{3} & \frac{58}{3} \\ 0 & -\frac{19}{3} & -\frac{10}{3} & -\frac{7}{3} & \frac{34}{3} \\ 0 & -5 & -3 & -1 & 11 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-\frac{3}{28}R2} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & \frac{7}{3} & \frac{4}{3} & \frac{4}{3} & -\frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{4}{7} & \frac{1}{4} & -\frac{29}{14} \\ 0 & -\frac{19}{3} & -\frac{10}{3} & -\frac{7}{3} & \frac{34}{3} \\ 0 & -5 & -3 & -1 & 11 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R1 - 7/3R2, R3 + 19/3R2, R4 + 5R2} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 4/7 & 1/4 & -29/14 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{7} & -\frac{3}{4} & -\frac{25}{14} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{7} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{9}{14} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{7/2R3}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 4/7 & 1/4 & -29/14 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{21}{8} & -\frac{25}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{7} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{9}{14} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R2 - 4/7R3, R4 - 1/7R3} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 7/4 & 3/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{21}{8} & -\frac{25}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{8} & -\frac{1}{4} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-8R4}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 7/4 & 3/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{21}{8} & -\frac{25}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R1 + 3/4R4, R2 + 7/4R4, R3 - 21/8R4} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

It follows that $x_1 = 1, x_2 = -2, x_3 = -1$, and $x_4 = 2$.

Problem 4. In mathematics, an elementary matrix is a simple matrix, which differs from the identity matrix in that one of elementary row operations is performed on the identity matrix. The following matrices are all elementary matrices.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad 2R1 \text{ on } I_2,$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad R2 \longleftrightarrow R3 \text{ on } I_3,$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad R1 - 3R2 \text{ on } I_2.$$

Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

and let

$$E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{5} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } E_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

be elementary matrices. Show that $E_4 \cdot E_3 \cdot E_2 \cdot E_1 \cdot A = I_2$. If $Au = b$ represents the linear systems of equations in problem 1, then find u in terms of the elementary matrices E_1, E_2, \dots, E_4 .

Solution:

$$E_4 \cdot E_3 \cdot E_2 \cdot E_1 \cdot A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{5} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose $Au = b$. Then

$$u = I_2 u = E_4 \cdot E_3 \cdot E_2 \cdot E_1 \cdot Au = E_4 \cdot E_3 \cdot E_2 \cdot E_1 \cdot b$$