

$$1a. \quad -4x + ry = 2 \quad -e_1$$

$$12x + sy = -4 \quad -e_2$$

Multiplying  $e_1$  by 3, we have

$$\begin{array}{r} -12x + 3ry = 6 \\ + \quad 12x + sy = -4 \\ \hline 0 + (3r+s)y = 2 \end{array}$$

(i) The solution is empty when

$$3r + s = 0, \text{ that is}$$

$$3r = -s$$

(ii) Contains unique solution

$$\text{when } 3r + s \neq 0$$

(iii) The solution set does not contain many solutions since there is no free variable.

$$16. \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & r & 4 \\ 3 & 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} -R1 \\ -R2 \end{matrix}$$

Applying row operation,

$R2 \rightarrow -3R1 + R2$ , we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & r & 4 \\ 0 & -3r+6 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

The augmented matrix represent a consistent linear system when  $-3r+6$  is not zero.

That is, it is inconsistent when  $-3r+6=0$

$$\Rightarrow r=2$$

$\therefore$  The augmented matrix represent a consistent linear system for all values of  $r$  not equal to 2.

2a.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 & 2 & 0 \\ -9 & 12 & -6 & 0 \\ -6 & 8 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \text{--- } R_1 \\ \text{--- } R_2 \\ \text{--- } R_3 \end{array}$$

We will first transform the augmented matrix into row reduced echelon form.

$$R_2 \rightarrow 3R_1 + R_2, \quad R_3 \rightarrow 2R_1 + R_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Obtaining  $0=0$  in  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  implies  $x_2$  and  $x_3$  are free variables.

We now make the pivot entry of the pivot column one. That is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4/3 & 2/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore$  The general solution is

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4/3 x_2 - 2/3 x_3 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

2b.

(i) A system of equations equivalent to the vector equation

$$x \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -7 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is}$$

$$6x - 3y = 1$$

$$-x + 4y = -7$$

$$5x = -5$$

(ii) A system of equations equivalent to the vector equation

$$x \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

is

$$-2x + 8y + z = 0$$

$$3x + 5y - 6z = 0.$$

3a.

(i) The product is defined because the number of columns of  $A$  is equal to the number of entries of  $x$ .

So,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \times 3 + 2 \times 1 \\ 1 \times 3 + 6 \times 1 \\ 0 \times 3 + 1 \times 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -12 + 2 \\ 3 + 6 \\ 0 + 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -10 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(ii) The product is undefined because the number of columns of  $A$  is not equal to the entries of  $x$ .

3b. The augmented matrix is

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} \textcircled{2} & -5 & 8 & 0 & -R1 \\ -2 & -7 & 1 & 0 & -R2 \\ 4 & 2 & 7 & 0 & -R3 \end{array} \right]$$

Applying row operations, we have

$$R1 \leftrightarrow R1, \quad R2 \rightarrow 2R1 + R2, \quad R3 \rightarrow -2R1 + R3$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & -5 & 8 & 0 & \\ 0 & \textcircled{-17} & 17 & 0 & \\ 0 & 12 & 9 & 0 & \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{Next, } R1 \leftrightarrow R1, \quad R2 \leftrightarrow -\frac{1}{17} R2, \quad R3 \leftrightarrow R3$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & -5 & 8 & 0 & \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & 0 & \\ 0 & 12 & 9 & 0 & \end{array} \right]$$

Next,  $R_4 \rightarrow R_1$ ,  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2$ ,

$$R_3 \rightarrow -12R_2 + R_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 21 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

From the last row, we have

$$21 = 0.$$

$\therefore$  The system has no nontrivial solution. That is, the system has only the trivial solution.



4a. The vectors

(i)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

are linearly dependent because there are more vectors than the number of entries ( $p > n$ ).

(ii) The vectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

are linearly dependent because the set contains the zero vector.

4b.

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(u) = Au = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1 + 0 \times 0 + -2 \times -4 \\ -2 \times 1 + 1 \times 0 + 6 \times -4 \\ 3 \times 1 + -2 \times 0 + -5 \times -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ -26 \\ 23 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(v) = Av = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \times a + 0 \times b + -2 \times c \\ -2 \times a + 1 \times b + 6 \times c \\ 3 \times a + -2 \times b + -5 \times c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a - 2c \\ -2a + b + 6c \\ 3a - 2b - 5c \end{bmatrix}$$

5. Given that  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is a linear transformation with

$$T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 - 2x_2, -x_1 + 3x_2, 3x_1 - 2x_2) \quad (*)$$

We want to find  $x$  such that

$$T(x) = (-1, 4, 9) \quad (**)$$

From  $(*)$  and  $(**)$ , we have

$$(x_1 - 2x_2, -x_1 + 3x_2, 3x_1 - 2x_2) = (-1, 4, 9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad x_1 - 2x_2 = -1$$

$$-x_1 + 3x_2 = 4$$

$$3x_1 - 2x_2 = 9$$

The augmented matrix is

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 & 9 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} -R1 \\ -R2 \\ -R3 \end{array}$$

Applying row operation, we have

$$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_1, R_2 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2, R_3 \rightarrow -3R_1 + R_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

Next,  $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_1, R_2 \leftrightarrow R_2, R_3 \rightarrow -4R_2 + R_3$

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

Next,  $R_1 \rightarrow 2R_2 + R_1, R_2 \leftrightarrow R_2$   
 $R_3 \leftrightarrow R_3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 &= 5 \\ x_2 &= 3 \\ \therefore x &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$