# M340L - Matrices and Matrix Calculations - Fall 2002

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### I. (20 points)

1. Find all solutions to the system of linear equations:

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 11x_3 + 5x_4 = 2\\ x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 + 2x_4 = 1\\ x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 + 4x_4 = -3\\ 6x_1 + 7x_2 + 29x_3 + 15x_4 = 2 \end{cases}$$

- 2. Indicate the following items:
  - (a) Augmented matrix;
  - (b) Echelon form;
  - (c) Reduced echelon form;
  - (d) Pivot positions;
  - (e) Basic variables;
  - (f) Free variables.
- 3. Write the solution set in the parametric form and indicate the following items:
  - (a) Particular solution of the system;
  - (b) General solution of a correspondent homogeneous system.

II. (10 points)

1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 9 \\ -7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 6 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find A + B, -2B, A - 3B.

2. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\4\\2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find AB and BA.

3. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & | & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & | & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{0 & 7}{3 & 4} \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The 3 columns of A are partitioned into a set of 2 columns. The 3 rows of B are partitioned into a set of 2 rows. Find AB using block multiplication.

### III. (20 points)

1. Rewrite the following system in the matrix form:

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 - 4x_2 + x_3 = 3\\ x_1 - 5x_2 + 3x_3 = -1\\ x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 1 \end{cases}$$

2. Solve this system using the inverse matrix.

### IV. (20 points)

Suppose an economy has three sectors, Chemical, Metal, and Power. Chemical sells 40% of its output to Metal and 20% to Power and retains the rest. Metal sells 20% of its output to Chemical and 30% to Power and retains the rest. Power sells 40% of its output to Chemical and 50% to Metal and retains the rest.

(a) Construct the exchange table for the economy.

(b) Find a set of equilibrium prices for the economy.

(c) Find a set of equilibrium prices when the price for the Power is 100 units.

V. (30 points) Let

$$\mathbf{v_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 0\\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\ -1\\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v_3} = \begin{bmatrix} -7\\ 3\\ -7 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v_4} = \begin{bmatrix} -2\\ 1\\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 1\\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Is **b** in Span $(\mathbf{v_1}, \mathbf{v_2}, \mathbf{v_3}, \mathbf{v_4})$  ?

(b) Are vectors  $\mathbf{v_1}, \mathbf{v_2}, \mathbf{v_3}$  linearly dependent or independent?

(c) Do the vectors  $\mathbf{v_1}, \mathbf{v_2}, \mathbf{v_3}, \mathbf{v_4}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?

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## SOLUTIONS

I. First, we row reduce the augmented matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 11 & 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 4 & -3 \\ 6 & 7 & 29 & 15 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 4 & -3 \\ 2 & 3 & 11 & 5 & 2 \\ 6 & 7 & 29 & 15 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The augmented matrix, echelon form, reduced echelon form and pivot positions are indicated. The basic variables are  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ , and  $x_3$ . The free variable is  $x_4$ .

We now write the solution set of the system in the parametric form:

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -7 - 5x_4 \\ -2 - 2x_4 \\ 2 + x_4 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} -7\\ -2\\ 2\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

is the particular solution of the system and

$$\mathbf{v}_h = x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -5\\ -2\\ 1\\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is the general solution of the correspondent homogeneous system.

**II.** 1. We have:

$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 9 \\ -7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 6 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 10 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$-2B = -2\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -7\\ 0 & 1\\ 6 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 14\\ 0 & -2\\ -12 & 2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$A - 3B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 9 \\ -7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 6 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 29 \\ 0 & 6 \\ -25 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. We have:

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 3\\4\\2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \cdot 5 & 3 \cdot (-2) & 3 \cdot 3\\4 \cdot 5 & 4 \cdot (-2) & 4 \cdot 3\\2 \cdot 5 & 2 \cdot (-2) & 2 \cdot 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 15 & -6 & 9\\20 & -8 & 12\\10 & -4 & 6 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \cdot 3 + (-2) \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 \end{bmatrix}.$$

3. We have:

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & | & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & | & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} = A_1B_1 + A_2B_2,$$

where

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1&0\\-1&5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0&7 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3&4\\1&0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore

$$AB = A_1 B_1 + A_2 B_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 0 & 1 \cdot 7 \\ 3 \cdot 0 & 3 \cdot 7 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 3 + 0 \cdot 1 & 1 \cdot 4 + 0 \cdot 0 \\ (-1) \cdot 3 + 5 \cdot 1 & (-1) \cdot 4 + 5 \cdot 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 21 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 11 \\ 2 & 17 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**III.** 1. We first rewrite the system in the matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 1 \\ 1 & -5 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. To solve this system we first consider an augmented matrix [A, I] and transform it as  $[I, A^{-1}]$  using row operations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -5 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -4 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & -5 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 & -1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 6 & -5 & 1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 & -1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 6 & -5 & 1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 & -1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & -1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & -1/2 & -3/2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 & -1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & -1/2 & -3/2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 & -1/4 & 1/4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/2 & 0 & -1/4 & 1/4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/2 & 1/4 & 3/4 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/4 & -3/8 & 7/8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1/4 & -1/8 & 5/8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/2 & 1/4 & 3/4 \end{bmatrix},$$

therefore

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/4 & -3/8 & 7/8 \\ -1/4 & -1/8 & 5/8 \\ -1/2 & 1/4 & 3/4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since

$$\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b},$$

we get

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/4 & -3/8 & 7/8 \\ -1/4 & -1/8 & 5/8 \\ -1/2 & 1/4 & 3/4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/4 + 3/8 + 7/8 \\ -3/4 + 1/8 + 5/8 \\ -3/2 - 1/4 + 3/4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**IV.** (a) The exchange table is:

 $\begin{array}{ccccccc} C & M & P \\ .4 & .2 & .4 & C \\ .4 & .5 & .5 & M \\ .2 & .3 & .1 & P \end{array}$ 

(b) To find the set of equilibrium prices we should solve the following system of equations:

$$.6x_1 - .2x_2 - .4x_3 = 0$$
$$-.4x_1 + .5x_2 - .5x_3 = 0$$
$$-.2x_1 - .3x_2 + .9x_3 = 0.$$

We have:

$$\begin{bmatrix} .6 & -.2 & -.4 & 0 \\ -.4 & .5 & -.5 & 0 \\ -.2 & -.3 & .9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -.2 & -.3 & .9 & 0 \\ .6 & -.2 & -.4 & 0 \\ -.4 & .5 & -.5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} -.2 & -.3 & .9 & 0 \\ 0 & -1.1 & 2.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.1 & -2.3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} -.2 & -.3 & .9 & 0 \\ 0 & -1.1 & 2.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1.1 & 2.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3/2 & -9/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -23/11 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -15/11 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -23/11 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

therefore

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_C \\ x_M \\ x_P \end{bmatrix} = x_P \begin{bmatrix} 15/11 \\ 23/11 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(c) If we put  $x_P = 100$ , we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_C \\ x_M \\ x_P \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1500/11 \\ 2300/11 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 136.36 \\ 209.09 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**V.** (a) The answer is "Yes". In fact, by a definition, the vector **b** is in  $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v_1}, \mathbf{v_2}, \mathbf{v_3}, \mathbf{v_4})$  if and only if the equation

$$x_1\mathbf{v_1} + x_2\mathbf{v_2} + x_3\mathbf{v_3} + x_4\mathbf{v_4} = \mathbf{b}$$

has a solution. The correspondent linear system is consistent if and only if an echelon form of its augmented matrix has no row of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$$
 with  $c$  nonzero.

We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -7 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & -7 & -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -7 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 7 & -21 & -8 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -7 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 10 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The last matrix has no row of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$$
 with c nonzero,

therefore the vector  $\mathbf{b}$  is in  $\text{Span}(\mathbf{v_1}, \mathbf{v_2}, \mathbf{v_3}, \mathbf{v_4})$ .

(b) The vectors  $\mathbf{v_1}, \mathbf{v_2}, \mathbf{v_3}$  are linearly dependent. In fact,  $\mathbf{v_1}, \mathbf{v_2}, \mathbf{v_3}$  are linearly dependent if and only if the equation

$$x_1\mathbf{v_1} + x_2\mathbf{v_2} + x_3\mathbf{v_3} = \mathbf{0}$$

has a nontrivial solution. This equation has a nontrivial solution if and only if the correspondent homogeneous equation  $A\mathbf{x} = 0$  has at least one free variable. The equation  $A\mathbf{x} = 0$  has at least one free variable if and only if a number of pivot positions of the matrix A is less than a number of the columns. In other words, the vectors  $\mathbf{v_1}, \mathbf{v_2}, \mathbf{v_3}$  are linearly dependent if and only if the number of pivot positions of the matrix [ $\mathbf{v_1} \mathbf{v_2} \mathbf{v_3}$ ] is less than the number of vectors. We have:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -7 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -7 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 7 & -21 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -7 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since the number of pivot positions is 2 and the number of vectors is 3,  $\mathbf{v_1}$ ,  $\mathbf{v_2}$ ,  $\mathbf{v_3}$  are linearly dependent (c) The answer is "Yes". In fact, the vectors  $\mathbf{v_1}$ ,  $\mathbf{v_2}$ ,  $\mathbf{v_3}$ ,  $\mathbf{v_4}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^3$  if and only if the matrix  $[\mathbf{v_1} \mathbf{v_2} \mathbf{v_3} \mathbf{v_4}]$  has a pivot position in every row, which is true by (a).