

HW #2 Solution Guide

~~It is as follows:~~

- 2.1 1,3,5,6
- 2.2 1,3,5
- 2.3 1abcd,3,4,5,8
- 2.4 1,4,5,6,8
- 2.5 1,4,5,6,7

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Solutions for Chapter 2

Solutions for exercises in section 2. 1

2.1.1. (a) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ is one possible answer. Rank = 3 and the basic columns

are $\{A_{*1}, A_{*2}, A_{*4}\}$. (b) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is one possible answer. Rank = 3 and

every column in A is basic.

(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -2 & 1 & -3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is one possible answer. The rank is 3, and

the basic columns are $\{A_{*1}, A_{*3}, A_{*5}\}$.

2.1.2. (c) and (d) are in row echelon form.

2.1.3. (a) Since any row or column can contain at most one pivot, the number of pivots cannot exceed the number of rows nor the number of columns. (b) A zero row cannot contain a pivot. (c) If one row is a multiple of another, then one of them can be annihilated by the other to produce a zero row. Now the result of the previous part applies. (d) One row can be annihilated by the associated combination of row operations. (e) If a column is zero, then there are fewer than n basic columns because each basic column must contain a pivot.

2.1.4. (a) $rank(A) = 3$ (b) 3-digit $rank(A) = 2$ (c) With PP, 3-digit $rank(A) = 3$

2.1.5. 15

2.1.6. (a) No, consider the form $\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} * & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{array} \right)$ (b) Yes—in fact, E is a row echelon form obtainable from A .

Solutions for exercises in section 2. 2

2.2.1. (a) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $A_{*3} = 2A_{*1} + \frac{1}{2}A_{*2}$

$$(b) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_{*2} = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{A}_{*1}, \quad \mathbf{A}_{*4} = 2\mathbf{A}_{*1} - \mathbf{A}_{*3}, \quad \mathbf{A}_{*6} = 2\mathbf{A}_{*1} - 3\mathbf{A}_{*5}, \quad \mathbf{A}_{*7} = \mathbf{A}_{*3} + \mathbf{A}_{*5}$$

2.2.2. No.

2.2.3. The same would have to hold in \mathbf{E}_A , and there you can see that this means not all columns can be basic. Remember, $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) =$ number of basic columns.

2.2.4. (a) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ \mathbf{A}_{*3} is almost a combination of \mathbf{A}_{*1}

and \mathbf{A}_{*2} . In particular, $\mathbf{A}_{*3} \approx -\mathbf{A}_{*1} + 2\mathbf{A}_{*2}$.

2.2.5. $\mathbf{E}_{*1} = 2\mathbf{E}_{*2} - \mathbf{E}_{*3}$ and $\mathbf{E}_{*2} = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{E}_{*1} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{E}_{*3}$

Solutions for exercises in section 2.3

- 2.3.1. (a), (b)—There is no need to do any arithmetic for this one because the right-hand side is entirely zero so that you know $(0,0,0)$ is automatically one solution. (d), (f)
- 2.3.3. It is always true that $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) \leq \text{rank}[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}] \leq m$. Since $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = m$, it follows that $\text{rank}[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}] = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$.
- 2.3.4. Yes—Consistency implies that \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} are each combinations of the basic columns in \mathbf{A} . If $\mathbf{b} = \sum \beta_i \mathbf{A}_{*b_i}$ and $\mathbf{c} = \sum \gamma_i \mathbf{A}_{*b_i}$ where the \mathbf{A}_{*b_i} 's are the basic columns, then $\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c} = \sum (\beta_i + \gamma_i) \mathbf{A}_{*b_i} = \sum \xi_i \mathbf{A}_{*b_i}$, where $\xi_i = \beta_i + \gamma_i$ so that $\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}$ is also a combination of the basic columns in \mathbf{A} .
- 2.3.5. Yes—because the 4×3 system $\alpha + \beta x_i + \gamma x_i^2 = y_i$ obtained by using the four given points (x_i, y_i) is consistent.
- 2.3.6. The system is inconsistent using 5-digits but consistent when 6-digits are used.
- 2.3.7. If x , y , and z denote the number of pounds of the respective brands applied, then the following constraints must be met.

$$\text{total \# units of phosphorous} = 2x + y + z = 10$$

$$\text{total \# units of potassium} = 3x + 3y = 9$$

$$\text{total \# units of nitrogen} = 5x + 4y + z = 19$$

Since this is a consistent system, the recommendation can be satisfied exactly. Of course, the solution tells how much of each brand to apply.

- 2.3.8. No—if one or more such rows were ever present, how could you possibly eliminate all of them with row operations? You could eliminate all but one, but then there is no way to eliminate the last remaining one, and hence it would have to appear in the final form.

Solutions for exercises in section 2.4

$$2.4.1. \text{ (a) } x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_4 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{(b) } y \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{(c) } x_3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_4 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(d) The trivial solution is the only solution.

$$2.4.2. \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$2.4.3. x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_4 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$2.4.4. \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = 3$$

2.4.5. (a) 2—because the maximum rank is 4. (b) 5—because the minimum rank is 1.

2.4.6. Because $r = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) \leq m < n \implies n - r > 0$.

2.4.7. There are many different correct answers. One approach is to answer the question "What must \mathbf{E}_A look like?" The form of the general solution tells you that $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = 2$ and that the first and third columns are basic. Consequently,

$$\mathbf{E}_A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \alpha & 0 & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \gamma \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ so that } x_1 = -\alpha x_2 - \beta x_4 \text{ and } x_3 = -\gamma x_4 \text{ gives rise}$$

to the general solution $x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_4 \begin{pmatrix} -\beta \\ 0 \\ -\gamma \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Therefore, $\alpha = 2$, $\beta = 3$,

and $\gamma = -2$. Any matrix \mathbf{A} obtained by performing row operations to \mathbf{E}_A will be the coefficient matrix for a homogeneous system with the desired general solution.

2.4.8. If $\sum_i x_{f_i} \mathbf{h}_i$ is the general solution, then there must exist scalars α_i and β_i such that $\mathbf{c}_1 = \sum_i \alpha_i \mathbf{h}_i$ and $\mathbf{c}_2 = \sum_i \beta_i \mathbf{h}_i$. Therefore, $\mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2 = \sum_i (\alpha_i + \beta_i) \mathbf{h}_i$, and this shows that $\mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2$ is the solution obtained when the free variables x_{f_i} assume the values $x_{f_i} = \alpha_i + \beta_i$.

Solutions for exercises in section 2.5

$$2.5.1. \text{ (a) } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_2 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_4 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{(b) } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(c) \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + x_4 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (d) \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

2.5.2. From Example 2.5.1, the solutions of the linear equations are:

$$x_1 = 1 - x_3 - 2x_4$$

$$x_2 = 1 - x_3$$

$$x_3 \text{ is free}$$

$$x_4 \text{ is free}$$

$$x_5 = -1$$

Substitute these into the two constraints to get $x_3 = \pm 1$ and $x_4 = \pm 1$. Thus there are exactly four solutions:

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

2.5.3. (a) $\{(3, 0, 4), (2, 1, 5), (1, 2, 6), (0, 3, 7)\}$ See the solution to Exercise 2.3.7 for the underlying system. (b) $(3, 0, 4)$ costs \$15 and is least expensive.

2.5.4. (a) Consistent for all α . (b) $\alpha \neq 3$, in which case the solution is $(1, -1, 0)$.

(c) $\alpha = 3$, in which case the general solution is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

2.5.5. No

2.5.6.

$$\mathbf{E}_A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

2.5.7. See the solution to Exercise 2.4.7.

2.5.8. (a) $\begin{pmatrix} -0.3976 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} -0.7988 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) There are no solutions in this case.

(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 1.43964 \\ -2.3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$