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Solve the following systems of equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

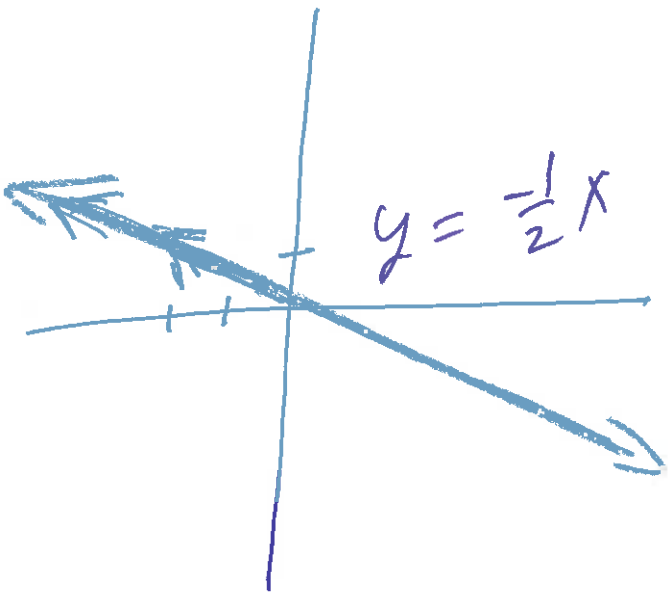
REF $\left[\begin{array}{c|c} \textcircled{1} & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \left| \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \end{array} \right.$
 x_1 x_2

REF

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= -2x_2 \\ x_2 &= x_2 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2x_2 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_2$$

Sol'n $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_2$



$$= \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} y$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} s$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} a$$

Sol'n set

= line $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$

$y = -\frac{1}{2}x$

← line thru origin

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} s$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} t$$

all represent the same line = solution set

all are correct answer

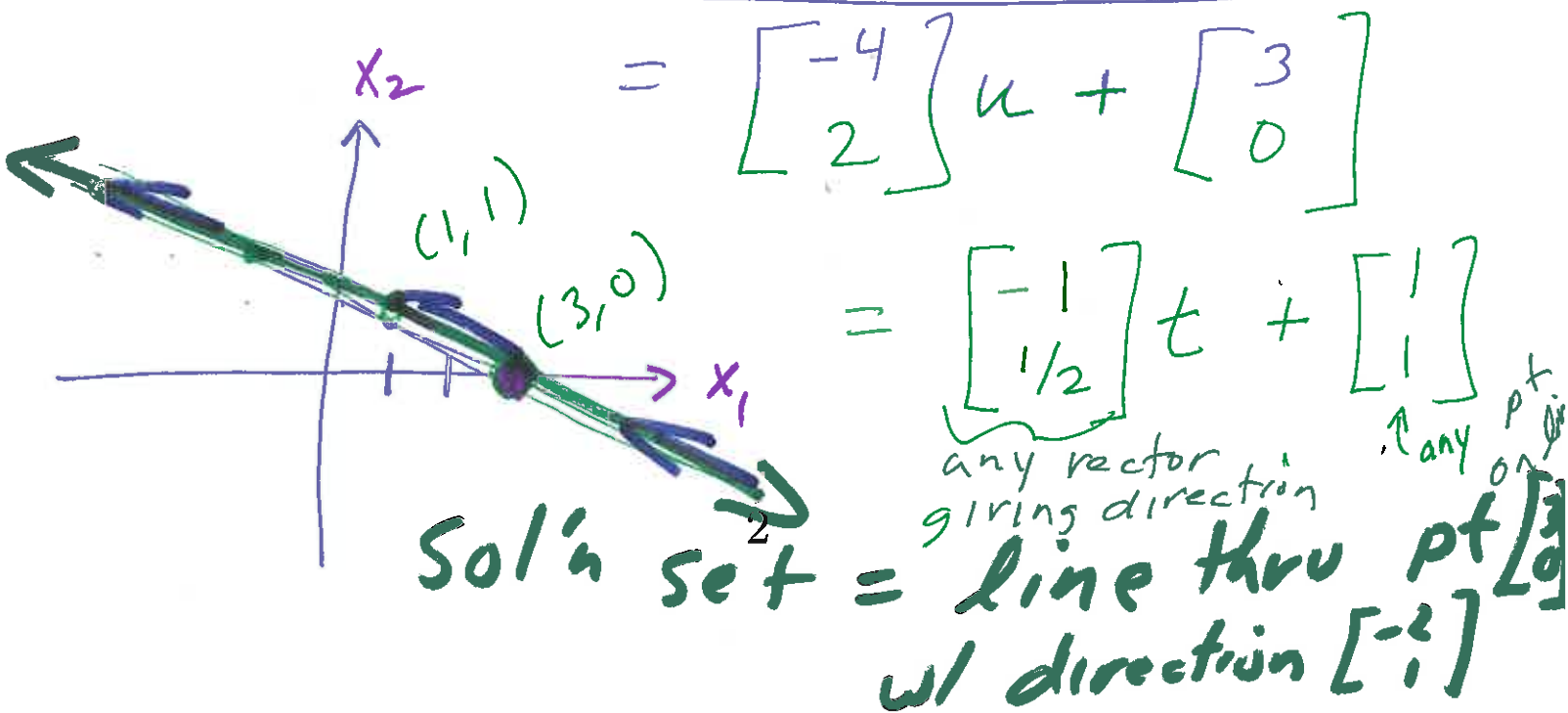
$$\begin{matrix} \text{fr.} \\ \text{①} \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \middle| \begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$x_1 = -2x_2 + 3$$

$$x_2 = x_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2x_2 + 3 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2x_2 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_2 + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

not be a sol'n

$$\text{to } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pf: Let $s = 0$

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

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a non-simplified
sol'n to homog

NOT-SIMPLIFIED = NOT
CORRECT

Non-homog sol'n

= homog + ^a point on
line
representing
non homog
sol'n

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

homog

Solve = REF

non-homog

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

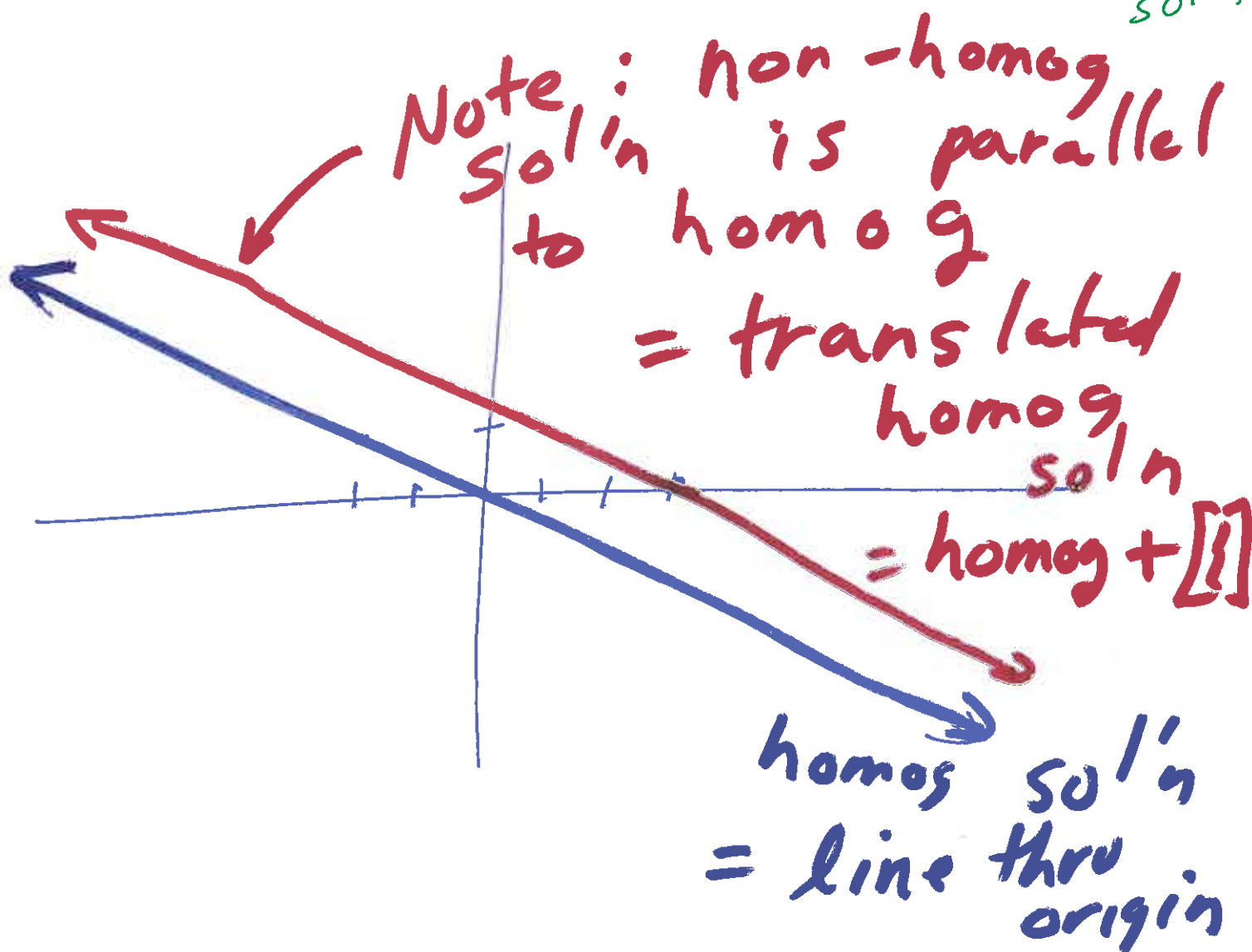
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_2$$

homog

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_2 + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

homog + a non-homo sol'n



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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 = -2x_2 - 3x_3$$

$$x_2 = x_2$$

$$x_3 = x_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2x_2 - 3x_3 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2x_2 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -3x_3 \\ 0 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

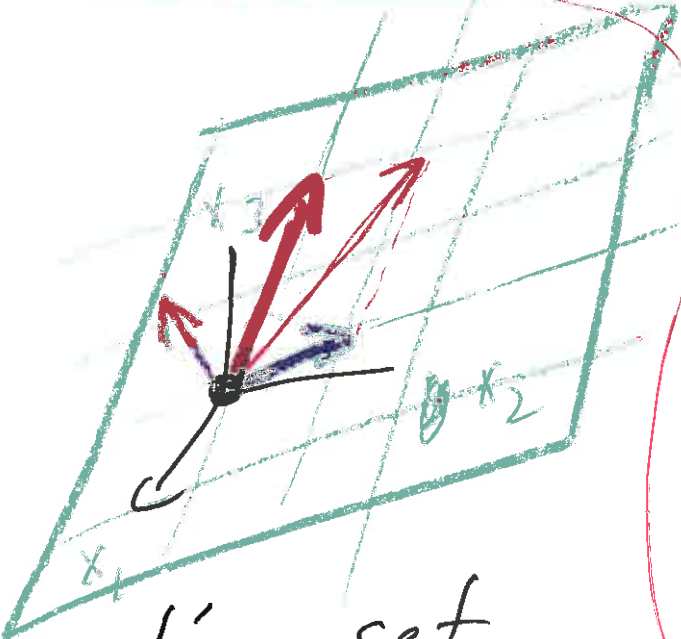
$$= \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_2 + \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_3$$

3
sol'n set
= 2d plane

Sol'n set to homog eq'n

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_2 + \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_3$$



Sol'n set
= plane
thru $\vec{0}$
(since homog
eq'n)

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} t$$

both correct

SOL'NS

Both describe
same plane

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} t$$

Note we can determine
if a vector lies in
hyperplane describing soln
set of $Ax = 0$,

by plugging it in.
Does it satisfy the
equation $Ax = 0$?

If so it is the
sol'n set

Check $\begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ satisfies $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5+2+3 \\ 0+0+0 \\ 0+0+0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$$

$$0 = 0$$

$$0 = 0$$

$$-5 + 2(1) + 3(1) = 0 \checkmark$$

If $\vec{x} = s\vec{v} + t\vec{w}$ describes
the sol'n set of $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$
 $A\vec{v} = \vec{0} \quad \& \quad A\vec{w} = \vec{0}$

Answers must be
simplified

Non-simplified answer:

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t + \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

USE
REF

Describes
same plane
but only
2 vectors
needed to
describe
2-d plane

not
needed
to describe
2-d plane

(REF)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \text{scribble} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2x_2 - 3x_3 + 4 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

homog

a non homog sol'n

non homog
parallel to
homog

Note

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t}_{\text{homog}} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \text{A sol'n to non homog}$$

Let $x_2 = 1$
 $x_3 = 1$

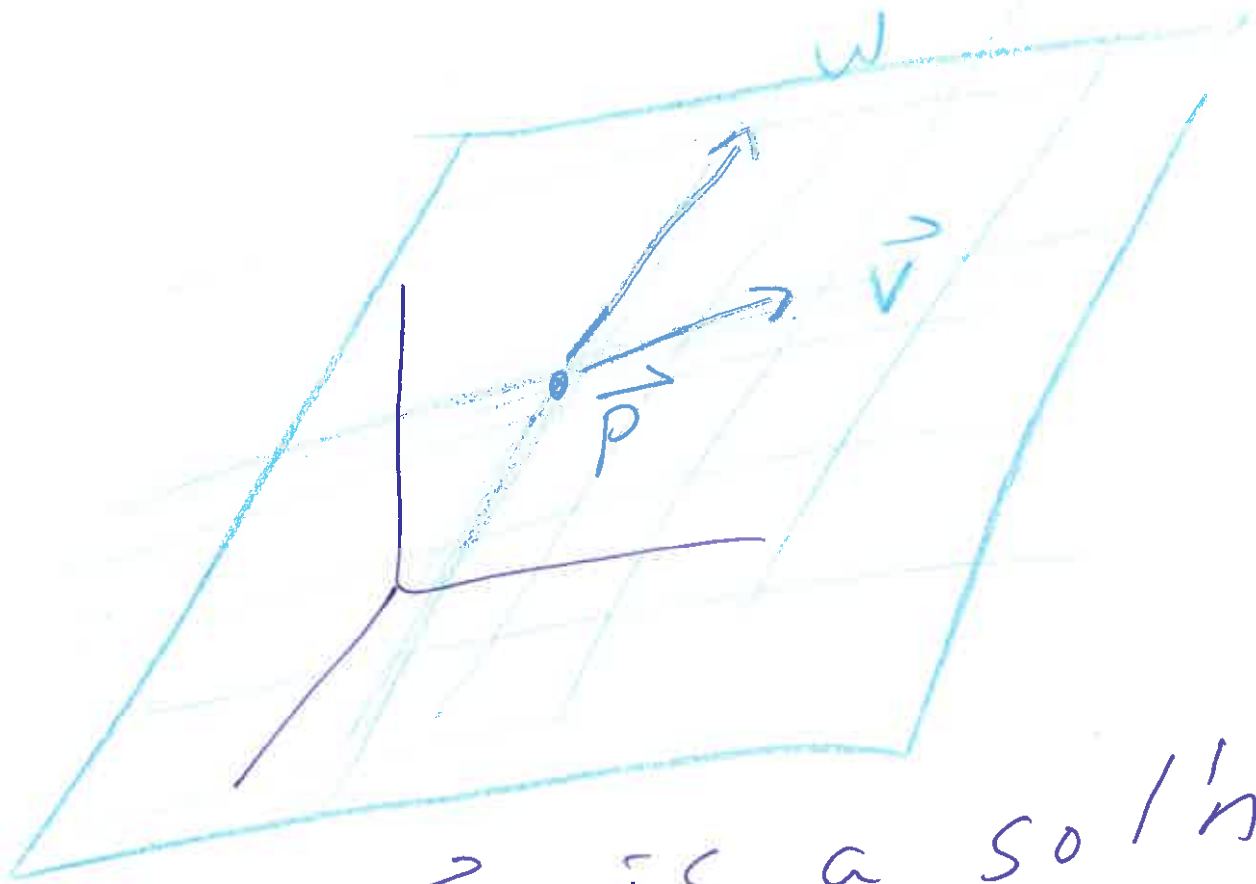
also describes plane

// correct answer

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{hence sol'n}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1+2+3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

✓

$$\vec{x} = t\vec{v} + s\vec{w} + \vec{p}$$



Note \vec{p} is a sol'n
to non-homog

BUT \vec{v} & \vec{w} are NOT
 \vec{v} & \vec{w} are sol'n to homog
eq

REF

Solve: $Bx = 0$ where $B \sim$

$$\begin{array}{cccc|cc} 0 & 1 & 0 & 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ -8x_4 \\ +6x_4 \\ x_4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -8x_4 \\ +6x_4 \\ x_4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_1 + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -8 \\ +6 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_4$$

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Solve: $Bx = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ where $B \sim \begin{array}{cccc|ccc} 0 & 1 & 0 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -6 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_4 + 1 \\ -8x_4 + 2 \\ -6x_4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

~~$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -8x_4 \\ -6x_4 \\ x_4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$~~

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -8 \\ -6 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -8 \\ -6 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

homog + A soln to non

to non homo

Solution to non-homog eqn

A NON-homogeneous system of LINEAR equations

- a.) Exactly one solution.
 - b.) Infinite number of solutions
 - c.) No solutions
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A system of equations is $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is homogeneous if $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$.

A homogeneous system of LINEAR equations can have

- a.) Exactly one solution ($\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$)
 - b.) Infinite number of solutions
(including, of course, $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$).
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Solve the following systems of equations:

①
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

②
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

③
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 & 0 & 0 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

eqn 1
eqn 2
eqn 3

$$\downarrow R_2 - 4R_1 \rightarrow R_2, \quad R_3 - 7R_1 \rightarrow R_3$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 0 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & -6 & -12 & -7 & 0 & -6 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\downarrow R_3 - 2R_1 \rightarrow R_3$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 0 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -6 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

no sol'n
EF

\downarrow already know sol'n to system b.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\downarrow -\frac{1}{3}R_2 \rightarrow R_2$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1 - 2R_2 \rightarrow R_1}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

REF

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ -2x_3 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_3$$

homog

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

No sol'n

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_3 + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x_1 = +x_3$
 $x_2 = -2x_3 + 1$
 $x_3 = x_3$

Note that $A(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = A\mathbf{x} + A\mathbf{y}$ and $A(c\mathbf{x}) = cA\mathbf{x}$

For example,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}(x_1 + y_1) & a_{12}(x_2 + y_2) \\ a_{21}(x_1 + y_1) & a_{22}(x_2 + y_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{11}y_1 & a_{12}x_2 + a_{12}y_2 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{21}y_1 & a_{22}x_2 + a_{22}y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 & a_{12}x_2 \\ a_{21}x_1 & a_{22}x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}y_1 & a_{12}y_2 \\ a_{21}y_1 & a_{22}y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$2(x+y) = 2x+2y$
 $A(x+y) = Ax+Ay$
 $\sqrt{2+3} \neq \sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \left(c \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} cx_1 \\ cx_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}cx_1 & a_{12}cx_2 \\ a_{21}cx_1 & a_{22}cx_2 \end{bmatrix} = c \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 & a_{12}x_2 \\ a_{21}x_1 & a_{22}x_2 \end{bmatrix} = c \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$, $A\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$, and $A\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{b}$

$$A\vec{u} = 0 \quad A\vec{v} = 0$$

$\vec{u} \neq \vec{v}$ soln to homog $A\vec{x} = 0$
eqn

Claim $s\vec{u} + t\vec{v}$ is also
a soln to homog $A\vec{x} = 0$
eqn

Plug it in to check:

$$A(s\vec{u} + t\vec{v})$$

$$= A(s\vec{u}) + A(t\vec{v})$$

$$= s(A\vec{u}) + t(A\vec{v})$$

$$= s\vec{0} + t\vec{0} = \vec{0} \quad \checkmark$$

Suppose \vec{u}, \vec{v} solns to $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

\vec{p} is a soln to $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$

Claim $s\vec{u} + t\vec{v} + \vec{p}$
is a soln to non-homog $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$

Check:

$$A(s\vec{u} + t\vec{v} + \vec{p})$$

$$= A(s\vec{u} + t\vec{v}) + A\vec{p}$$

$$= \vec{0} + A\vec{p}$$

$$= \vec{0} + \vec{b} = \vec{b} \quad \checkmark$$

no free variables

1.7: Linear Independence.

Defn: The set of vectors $\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n\}$ is **linearly independent** if and only if the equation $c_1\mathbf{a}_1 + c_2\mathbf{a}_2 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{a}_n = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution.

$$[\vec{a}_1 \ \vec{a}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{a}_n] \vec{x} = \mathbf{0}$$

unique sol'n
 $\vec{x} = \mathbf{0}$
 \Rightarrow

Defn: If S is not linearly independent, then it is **linearly dependent**.

$\Leftrightarrow A\vec{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has ∞ # of sol'n's

free variables

Is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly independent?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 & 4 & 3 \\ 7 & 8 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow free variable
 $\Rightarrow \infty$ # of sol'n's

$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ lin dep