

**M146 Test #05**    Thursday, April 27, 2006    **Solutions**

(1)  $B = (2, 4)$ .    and  $C = (6, -2)$ .    Give the equation for the line through  $B$  and  $C$  in parametric form.

$$\vec{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}. \quad \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} \cdot a + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$(2) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -6 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & -8 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

What is the rank of  $A$ ?    What is the nullity of  $A$ ?    Give all solutions to  $Ax = \vec{b}$ .

$$A \text{ reduces to } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \text{the rank is 4; the nullity is } 5-4 = 1.$$

$$\text{reducing } \vec{b} \text{ at the same time gives } \vec{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.6 \\ 3 \\ -2.4 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad \text{The solutions are } \begin{bmatrix} 2.6 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ -2.4 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot a.$$

(3) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 3 & 7 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Find all solutions of  $Ax = 0$ . Find all solutions of  $Ax = b$ . The solutions to  $Ax = b$  can be described as the points on a line  $L$ . Give the equation for  $L$  in parametric form.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 7 & -3 & 4 \end{array} \right] \text{ reduces to } \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2.5 & -0.5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1.5 & 0.5 \end{array} \right]$$

The solutions are  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2.5 \\ 1.5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot a + \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 \\ 0.5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(4)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ -2 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$  Find two solutions to  $Av = \lambda v$  where  $v$  is a vector and  $\lambda$  is a scalar.

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 6 \\ -2 & 9 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = (1 - \lambda)(9 - \lambda) + 12 = \lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 21 = (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 7)$$

$$\lambda_1 = 3: \quad A - 3I = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 6 \\ -2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = 7: \quad A - 7I = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 6 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$