

**SOLUTIONS 5. 14.11.2011**

Q1. Number the equations (1) – (3). Then [(1)-(2), to eliminate  $x_1$ , and (3)]

$$\begin{aligned} 4x_2 - 5x_3 &= 3, \\ -3x_2 + 4x_3 &= -2. \end{aligned}$$

Call these (i) and (ii). Then [3(i) + 4(ii), to eliminate  $x_2$ ]:  $x_3 = 1$ .

Back-substitute in (i):  $4x_2 = 8$ ,  $x_2 = 2$ .

Back-substitute in (1):  $x_1 = 9 - 10 - 2 = -3$ , giving

$$x_1 = -3, \quad x_2 = 2, \quad x_3 = 1.$$

[Check!]

Q2.  $|A| = 1(4 + 21) - 5(4) + 2(-3) = 25 - 20 - 6 = -1$ .

Q3.

$$\begin{aligned} AB &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I, \\ BA &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I \end{aligned}$$

(so  $B = A^{-1}$ , the inverse of  $A$ . We can see this, as  $|A| = 1$  and  $B$  is the transposed matrix of cofactors of  $A$ .)

$$\begin{aligned} DB &= \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \\ AC &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Q4.

$$BE = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 2b & c \\ a & 3b & 2c \\ a & 4b & 6c \end{pmatrix},$$

$$EB = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 2a & a \\ b & 3b & 2b \\ c & 4c & 6c \end{pmatrix}.$$

In general,  $AE$  has:

1st col. =  $a \times$  1st col. of  $A$ ,

2nd col. =  $a \times$  2nd col. of  $A$ ,

3rd col. =  $a \times$  3rd col. of  $A$ ,

$EA$  has:

1st row =  $a \times$  1st row of  $A$ ,

2nd row =  $a \times$  2nd row of  $A$ ,

3rd row =  $a \times$  3rd row of  $A$ .

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