

## MATRIX ALGEBRA

### 7.1 Matrices (Definitions) (257)

A matrix is a rectangular array of numbers or functions which are enclosed in brackets.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

m × n matrix  
m × n; size of the matrix

Rows

Columns

Square matrix: m = n ; an  $n \times n$  matrix

Main diagonal for a square matrix:  $a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{nn}$

Special cases:

A vector is a matrix with one row and column.

Row vector:  $[a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n]$

Column vector:  $\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$

Equality:

$\underline{A} = [a_{jk}]$  and  $\underline{B} = [b_{jk}]$  are equal ( $\underline{A} = \underline{B}$ ) if and only if they have the same size and corresponding entries are equal,  $a_{11} = b_{11}, a_{12} = b_{12}, \dots, a_{mn} = b_{mn}$

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow a_{11} = 2, a_{12} = 1, a_{13} = 3 \\ a_{21} = 4, a_{22} = 0, a_{23} = -2$$

Example :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Addition :

$\underline{C} = \underline{A} + \underline{B}$  :  $\underline{A}$  &  $\underline{B}$  are the same size.  $C_{jk} = a_{jk} + b_{jk}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} + b_{12} \\ a_{21} + b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Scalar Multiplication

$$\alpha \underline{A} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha a_{11} & \alpha a_{12} & \alpha a_{13} \\ \alpha a_{21} & \alpha a_{22} & \alpha a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -a_{11} & -a_{12} & -a_{13} \\ -a_{21} & -a_{22} & -a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{A} - \underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\underline{A} - \underline{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} - b_{11} & a_{12} - b_{12} \\ a_{21} - b_{21} & a_{22} - b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 \cdot \underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \rightarrow \text{zero matrix}$$

Rules :

$$\underline{A} + \underline{B} = \underline{B} + \underline{A}$$

$$\underline{A} + (\underline{B} + \underline{C}) = (\underline{A} + \underline{B}) + \underline{C} = \underline{A} + \underline{B} + \underline{C}$$

$$\underline{A} + 0 = \underline{A}$$

$$\underline{A} + (-\underline{A}) = 0 \rightarrow \text{Zero matrix}$$

Other rules:

$$C(\underline{A} + \underline{B}) = C\underline{A} + C\underline{B}$$

$$(c+k)\underline{A} = c\underline{A} + k\underline{A}$$

$$c(k\underline{A}) = ck\underline{A}$$

$$1 \cdot \underline{A} = \underline{A}$$

## 7.2. Matrix Multiplication

Assume  $\underline{A}$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix,  $\underline{B}$  is an  $r \times p$  matrix, then  $\underline{C} = \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}$  is defined if and if  $r=n$ , the  $r=n$  and  $\underline{C}$  is an  $m \times p$  matrix:  $\underline{C} = [C_{jk}]$  with

$$C_{jk} = \sum_{l=1}^n a_{jl} b_{lk} = a_{j1}b_{1k} + a_{j2}b_{2k} + \dots + a_{jn}b_{nk} \quad j=1, 2, \dots, m \\ k=1, 2, \dots, p$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \dots & b_{1p} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \dots & b_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{n1} & b_{n2} & \dots & b_{np} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & \dots & c_{1m} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & \dots & c_{2m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{m1} & c_{m2} & \dots & c_{mp} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\swarrow A \text{ of columns}$

Example

$$m=3 \quad \underbrace{n=4}_{\text{r=4}} \quad p=3 \quad r=n!$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 6 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4+4+3+0 & 0+2+6+12 & 2+2+12+8 \\ 8+12+2+0 & 0+6+4+9 & 4+6+8+6 \\ 8+2+0+0 & 0+1+0+12 & 4+1+0+8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 20 & 34 \\ 32 & 19 & 24 \\ 10 & 13 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_1 \\ \underline{a}_2 \\ \underline{a}_3 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \underline{a}_1 = [1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4] \\ \underline{a}_2 = [2 \ 6 \ 2 \ 3] \\ \underline{a}_3 = [2 \ 1 \ 0 \ 4]$$

$$\underline{B} = [\underline{b}_1 \ \underline{b}_2 \ \underline{b}_3]; \quad \underline{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \underline{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \underline{b}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{A} \underline{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_1 \underline{b}_1 & \underline{a}_1 \underline{b}_2 & \underline{a}_1 \underline{b}_3 \\ \underline{a}_2 \underline{b}_1 & \underline{a}_2 \underline{b}_2 & \underline{a}_2 \underline{b}_3 \\ \underline{a}_3 \underline{b}_1 & \underline{a}_3 \underline{b}_2 & \underline{a}_3 \underline{b}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{a}_1 \underline{b}_1 = [4 + 4 + 3 + 0] = [11]$$

$$\underline{a}_1 \underline{b}_2 = [0 + 2 + 6 + 12] = [20]$$

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6+6 \\ 1+8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = [8+2+3] = [13]$$

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 12 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: Put the following set of equations in matrix form:

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 4$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 = 2$$

$$3x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3 = -1$$

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

Important: Matrix multiplication is not commutative.

$$\underline{AB} \neq \underline{BA}$$

Consequently

$$\underline{AB} = \underline{O} \text{ does not imply } \underline{BA} = \underline{O}$$

Other rules:

$$k(\underline{B}) \underline{B} = k(\underline{AB}) = \underline{A}(k\underline{B})$$

$$\underline{A}(\underline{BC}) = (\underline{AB}) \underline{C} = \underline{AB} \underline{C}$$

$$(\underline{A} + \underline{B}) \underline{C} = \underline{AC} + \underline{BC}$$

$$\underline{C}(\underline{A} + \underline{B}) = \underline{CA} + \underline{CB}$$

$$\text{Example : } \begin{array}{l} \underline{y} = \underline{A} \underline{x} \\ \underline{x} = \underline{B} \underline{w} \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \underline{y} = \underline{A} \underline{B} \underline{w} \\ \underline{y} = \underline{C} \underline{w} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \underline{C} = \underline{A} \underline{B}$$

### Transposition

The transpose  $\underline{A}^T$  of a matrix  $\underline{A}$  is defined as

$$\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (n \times m \text{ matrix})$$

$$\underline{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \cdots & a_{m1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{m2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad m \times n \text{ matrix!}$$

Example :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & -1 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}^T = [4 \ 2 \ -1]$$

## Properties:

- i.  $(A^T)^T = A$
- ii.  $(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$
- iii.  $(CA)^T = C^T A^T$
- iv.  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

## Special Matrices

### Symmetric matrices:

$$A^T = A$$

### Skew-symmetric matrices:

$$A^T = -A$$

### Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{symmetric}$$

### Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ -2 & 0 & 5 \\ -3 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{skew-symmetric}$$

## Triangular matrices

### Upper triangular matrices:

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

Diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

all zero

Diagonal

### Lower triangular matrices

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 9 & -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 9 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

→ Diagonal

→ zero

## Diagonal Matrices

$$\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Scalar matrix:

$$\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Unit matrix (Identity matrix): I

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: consider the production of two modules Alpha and Beta. The matrix A shows the cost of each material (TL).

$$\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.2 & 1.6 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \\ 0.5 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Raw materials} \\ \text{Labor cost} \\ \text{Other costs} \end{array}$$

↑      ↑  
Alpha    Beta

The matrix B shows the production quantities for each quarter [number are in thousands].

$$\underline{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 8 & 6 & 9 \\ 6 & 2 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Alpha} \\ \text{Beta} \end{array}$$

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4

Determine the total cost in each quarter.

$$\underline{C} = \underline{A} \underline{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.2 & 1.6 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 \\ 0.5 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 8 & 6 & 9 \\ 6 & 2 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1.2 \times 3 + 1.6 \times 6 & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 13.2 & 12.8 & 13.6 & 15.6 \\ 3.3 & 3.2 & 3.4 & 3.9 \\ 5.1 & 5.2 & 5.4 & 6.3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Raw materials} \\ \text{Labour} \\ \text{Other costs} \end{array} \text{ (in million TL)}$$

↑      ↑      ↑      ↑  
Q1    Q2    Q3    Q4

Example :

Assume  $A$  gives the transition probabilities of a device operating properly or not properly (each year).

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Assume at the beginning 1000 devices are working properly, 100 devices working not properly.

What will be the status of the devices after first year

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1000 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix}$$

After first year :

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.7 \\ 0.2 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1000 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 800 + 70 \\ 200 + 30 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 870 \\ 230 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{properly}$$

After the second year :

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.7 \\ 0.2 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 870 \\ 230 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 857 \\ 243 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{properly}$$

### 7.3 Linear System of Equations

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} m \text{ equations} \\ n \text{ unknowns} \end{array}$$

If  $b_1 = b_2 = \dots = b_m = 0 \rightarrow$  Homogeneous system

If at least one  $b_j \neq 0 \rightarrow$  Nonhomogeneous system.

Above set of linear equation can be written as

$$\underline{A} \underline{x} = \underline{b}$$

where

$$\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \text{coefficient matrix} \\ m \times n \text{ matrix} \end{array}$$

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \underline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} n \text{ vector} \\ m \text{ vector} \end{array}$$

Define a new matrix so called augmented matrix of the above system.

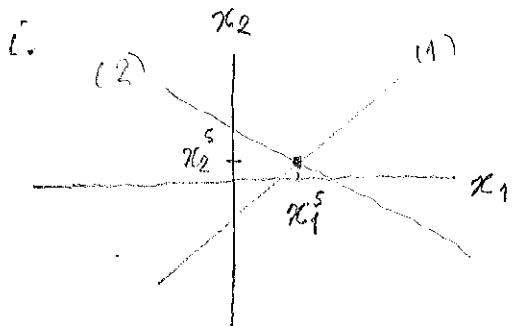
$$\tilde{\underline{A}} = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} & b_2 \\ \vdots & & & & \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} & b_m \end{array} \right] (m+1) \times n \text{ matrix}$$

In order to determine  $\underline{x}$  uniquely some conditions must be satisfied.

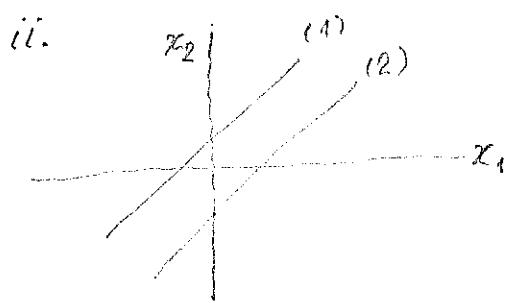
Example : Assume  $m=n=2$

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 = b_1 \quad (1)$$

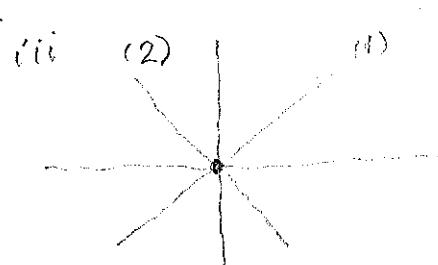
$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 = b_2 \quad (2)$$



unique solution;  $x_1^s, x_2^s$



No solution



$b_1 = b_2$  (Homogeneous system)  
Trivial solution  $(0, 0)$

Example : Consider a linear system that is in triangular form.

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + 5x_2 &= 12 \\ 3x_2 &= 6 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x_2 = 6 \Rightarrow x_2 = 2$$

$$2x_1 + 10 = 12 \rightarrow 2x_1 = 2 \Rightarrow x_1 = 1$$

$$\text{Solution : } (x_1, x_2) = (1, 2)$$

If the coefficient matrix is in triangular form, the solution can be obtained easily.

## Gauss Elimination

Consider

$$2x_1 + 5x_2 = 12$$

$$x_1 + x_2 = 3$$

Augmented matrix:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 5 & 12 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Row1} - 2\text{Row2} \rightarrow \text{Row2}} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 5 & 12 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

Then this system reduces to the previous example.

Further continue:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 5 & 12 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{3}\text{Row2} \rightarrow \text{Row2}} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 5 & 12 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Row1} - 5\text{Row2} \rightarrow \text{Row1}} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}\text{Row1} \rightarrow \text{Row1}} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

Then the modified system

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \end{array} \right]$$

Note

$$I\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$$

$$I\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}$$

Example:

$$x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$- x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 0$$

$$10x_2 + 25x_3 = 90$$

$$20x_1 + 10x_2 = 80$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 25 & 90 \\ 20 & 10 & 0 & 80 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Row 1+Row 2} \rightarrow \text{Row 2}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 25 & 90 \\ 0 & 30 & -20 & 80 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Row 4}-20\text{Row 1} \rightarrow \text{Row 4}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 25 & 90 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 25 & 90 \\ 0 & 30 & -20 & 80 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{R3}-3\text{R2} \rightarrow \text{R3}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 25 & 90 \\ 0 & 0 & -95 & -190 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$-95x_3 = -190 \Rightarrow x_3 = 2$$

$$10x_2 + 25x_3 = 90 \Rightarrow 10x_2 + 50 = 90 \Rightarrow 10x_2 = 40 \Rightarrow x_2 = 4.$$

$$x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 - 4 + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 2$$

Example: (Infinitely Many Solutions)

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 2 & 2 & -5 & 8 \\ 0.6 & 1.5 & 1.5 & -5.4 & 2.7 \\ 1.2 & -0.3 & -0.3 & 2.4 & 2.1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 2 & 2 & -5 & 8 \\ 0.6 & 1.5 & 1.5 & -5.4 & 2.7 \\ 1.2 & -0.3 & -0.3 & 2.4 & 2.1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} R_2 - 0.2R_1 \rightarrow R_2 \\ R_3 - 0.4R_1 \rightarrow R_3 \end{matrix}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 2 & 2 & -5 & 8 \\ 0 & 1.1 & 1.1 & -4.4 & 1.1 \\ 0 & -1.1 & -1.1 & 4.4 & -1.1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 2 & 2 & -5 & 8 \\ 0 & 1.1 & 1.1 & -4.4 & 1.1 \\ 0 & -1.1 & -1.1 & 4.4 & -1.1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 2 & 2 & -5 & 8 \\ 0 & 1.1 & 1.1 & -4.4 & 1.1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 - 5x_4 = 8$$

$$1.1x_2 + 1.1x_3 - 4.4x_4 = 1.1$$

$x_1, x_2, x_3$  &  $x_4$  cannot be determined uniquely.

For example let  $x_3 = 1, x_4 = 0$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 1.1x_2 + 1.1 \cdot 1 = 1.1 \Rightarrow x_2 = 0 \\ 3x_1 + 0 + 2 - 0 = 8 \Rightarrow x_1 = 2 \end{array} \right\} (2, 0, 1, 0) \text{ is a solution}$$

Let  $x_3 = 0, x_4 = 1$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 1.1x_2 + 0 - 4.4 = 1.1 \Rightarrow 1.1x_2 = 5.5 \\ x_2 = 5 \\ 3x_1 + 10 + 0 - 5 = 8 \Rightarrow 3x_1 = 3 \Rightarrow x_1 = 1 \end{array} \right\} (3, 5, 0, 1) \text{ is also a solution}$$

Example (No solution exists)

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 6 & 2 & 4 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 6 & 2 & 4 & 6 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-\frac{2}{3}R_1+R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & -2 \\ 6 & 2 & 4 & 6 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{3R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -6 \\ 6 & 2 & 4 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{-2R_2+R_3 \rightarrow R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 12 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow ? \quad 0 = 12 ! \text{ implies no solution.}$$

No solution that satisfy all the equations.