



Matrix Algebra  
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**PROBLEM 1** Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 16 & 21 \\ 10 & 0 & -15 \\ 4 & 4 & 14 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ -50 \\ 40 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Is  $x$  the solution of the equation  $Ax = b$ ?
- Is  $x$  an eigenvector of the matrix  $A$ ?

**PROBLEM 2** Solve the linear system  $Ax = b$  for all admissible values of  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ , where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ -5 \\ -22 \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}.$$

**PROBLEM 3** (a) Find the  $LU$ -decomposition of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) Compute  $\det(A)$ .

**PROBLEM 4** (a) Show that the vectors  $a_1 = (1 \ 1 \ 0)^T$ ,  $a_2 = (0 \ 1 \ 1)^T$ ,  $a_3 = (1 \ 0 \ 1)^T$  form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . (b) Find the coordinates of the vector  $x = (1 \ 2 \ 3)^T$  in this basis.

PROBLEM 5 (a) Find the angle between the eigenvectors of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1+t \end{pmatrix}$$

as a function of the parameter  $t$ . (b) What is the relation between the angle and the linear independence of the eigenvectors?