

Name: Solutions

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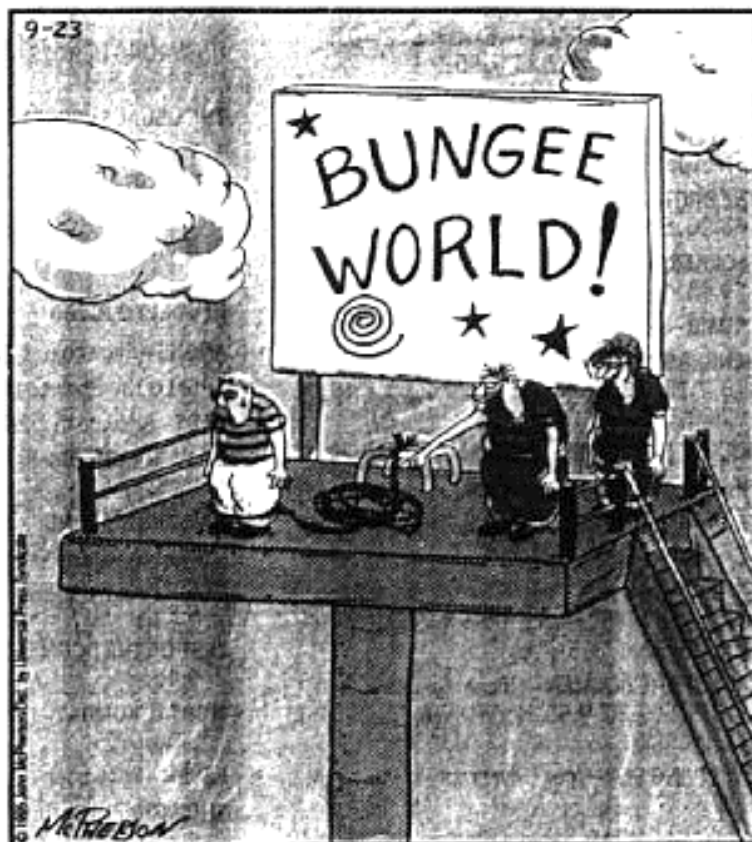
**DO NOT OPEN YOUR EXAM UNTIL  
TOLD TO DO SO.**

**You may use a 3 x 5 card  
(both sides) of notes,  
but no calculator.**

**FOR FULL CREDIT,  
SHOW ALL WORK  
RELATED TO FINDING  
EACH SOLUTION.**

### Close To Home

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“Okee-doke! Let’s just double-check. We’re 130 feet up and we’ve got 45 yards of bungee cord, that’s uh ... 90 feet. Allow for 30 feet of stretching, that gives us a total of ...120 feet. Perfect!”

20 points 1. Answer each of the following questions. No explanation is needed.

T  F A system of 3 equations and 3 unknowns could possibly have no solution.

T  F A system of 3 equations and 3 unknowns could possibly have a unique solution.

T  F A system of 3 equations and 3 unknowns could possibly have infinite solutions.

T  F A system of 2 equations and 4 unknowns could possibly have no solution.

T  F A system of 2 equations and 4 unknowns could possibly have a unique solution.

T  F A system of 2 equations and 4 unknowns could possibly have infinite solutions.

T  F Matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is its own inverse.

T  F  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 21 \\ 12 & 32 \end{bmatrix}$ .

T  F  $\begin{cases} 2x + 3y = a \\ 4x + 5y = b \end{cases}$  might or might not have a solution, depending on the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .  
*It for sure has a solution*

T  F It is possible to choose values for  $a$  and  $b$  so that  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ a & b \end{bmatrix}$  has an inverse.

- 14 points** 2. Suppose I have some nickels (5 cents each) and dimes (10 cents each). I have 13 coins total, 90 cents total, and I have 3 more nickels than dimes (so  $n = d + 3$ ). How many of each type of coin do I have? Solve this by coming up with the three equations that correspond to these three conditions (13 coins total, 90 cents total, and 3 more nickels than dimes), then doing Gauss-Jordan Elimination to find the solution(s) to this system of equations. Don't just guess the solution. Or show that there is no solution, if that is the case.

$$\begin{aligned} n + d &= 13 \\ 5n + 10d &= 90 \\ n - d &= 3 \end{aligned} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 13 \\ 5 & 10 & 90 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 5 & 25 \\ 0 & -2 & -10 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{So } n = 8, d = 5.$$

- 9 points** 3. Rework the previous problem, but with the modified restriction that we have 100 cents, rather than 90 cents (but with the other conditions remaining the same).

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 13 \\ 5 & 10 & 100 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 5 & 35 \\ 0 & -2 & -10 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

No solution.

15 points 4. Solve for  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  in

$$\begin{aligned}x + y + z &= 1 \\2x + y - z &= 0 \\x + y + 2z &= 1\end{aligned}$$

by finding the inverse of the coefficient matrix

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

and using it to find the values of  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ . Use the Gauss-Jordan Method for finding the inverse. You should not encounter any fractions in finding it. Show work.  
Don't just guess answers.

$$\begin{aligned}& \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ & \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{A^{-1}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 2 \\ 5 & -1 & -3 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**10 points** 5. We are interested in solving the following system of equations,

$$3x + 2y = 7$$

$$6x + ay = b$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are some constants whose values have not yet been decided. Give an example of values of  $a$  and  $b$  that result in the system having:

No solution:  $a = 4$   $b \neq 14$  parallel lines

One solution:  $a \neq 4$   $b = \text{any number}$

Infinite solutions:  $a = 4$   $b = 14$  same line

**14 points** 6. Find the solution(s) to each of the following linear systems. If a system has more than one solution, give the general solution and then give *at least two* specific solutions. If a system has no solution, state that.

$$2x + 4y = 7$$

$$-x - y = -2$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 4 & 7 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{OR } \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x + y - z + 2w = 5$$

$$-x - y + 3z = 7$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 5 \\ -1 & -1 & 3 & 0 & 7 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 12 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

$$x = -y - 3w + 11$$

$$y = \text{free}$$

$$z = -w + 6$$

$$w = \text{free}$$

General solution

$$\begin{array}{l} x + y + 3w = 5 \\ z + w = 6 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 11 \\ 7 \end{array}$$

e.g.  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \dots$

Specific solutions

- 18 points** 7. A company produces two items, but uses up some of each product in the production process, as described by the input-output (consumption) matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} .6 & .2 \\ 0 & .5 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Note for this problem that**  $(.5)(.4) = .2$ , and that  $\frac{.5}{.2} = \frac{5}{2}$  and  $\frac{.4}{.2} = 2$ .

- 2 points How much of each product would be *consumed* if you *produced* 10 units of each product?

$$\begin{bmatrix} .6 & .2 \\ 0 & .5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 2 points How much of each product is *remaining* if you *produced* 10 units of each product?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 2 points How much *more* of each product would be *consumed* if you produced *one more unit* of product 1?

$$\begin{bmatrix} .6 & .2 \\ 0 & .5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8.6 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ so } \begin{bmatrix} .6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{Column 1 of } A$$

- 12 points How much would you need to produce in order to *end up* with 10 units of each product? (Use the formula for finding the  $2 \times 2$  matrix in this problem.) **What is one thing about your solution that makes you think it is reasonable, i.e. that it could be the correct answer?**

$$(I - A)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} .4 & -.2 \\ 0 & .5 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{.2} \begin{bmatrix} .5 & .2 \\ 0 & .4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5}{2} & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(.4)(.5) - (-.2)(0)$$

$$\text{So produce } \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5}{2} & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 35 \\ 20 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\text{which } > \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$