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1. (a) By elimination find the **rank** of A and the pivot columns of A (in its column space):

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b) Find the special solutions to $Ax = 0$ and then find **all solutions** to $Ax = 0$.(c) For which number b_3 does $Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 9 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$ have a solution?Write the **complete solution** x (the general solution) with that value of b_3 .

(a)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[-2R_1+R_3]{-3R_1+R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{3}R_2+R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$r = \text{rank}(A) = 2$, pivot columns are $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 9 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) Special solutions: $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. $N(A) = \left\{ c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$
 $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$
 all solutions

(c)
$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 & 9 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 9 & b_3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & b_3-6 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & b_3-6 \end{array} \right]$$

Hence to have a solution we need $b_3 - 6 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{b_3 = 6}$

For this value of b_3 , a particular solution is given by $x_p = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

complete solution: $x_c = x_p + x_n = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_1 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 null solution

2. Suppose A is a 3 by 5 matrix and the equation $Ax = b$ has a solution for every b . What are (a)(b)(c)(d)? (If you don't have enough information to answer, tell as much about the answer as you can.)

(a) Column space of A : Since $Ax = b \Rightarrow b = x_1 A_1 + \dots + x_n A_n$ where A_1, \dots, A_n are the columns of A , every b in \mathbb{R}^3 is in $C(A)$.
So $C(A) = \mathbb{R}^3$.

(b) Nullspace of A : Since $C(A) = \mathbb{R}^3$, we have $r = 3$ and therefore $\#$ free variables = $\#$ special solutions = $n - r = 5 - 3 = 2$.
Hence $N(A)$ is a plane in \mathbb{R}^5 .

(c) Rank of A

By (a) $C(A) = \mathbb{R}^3$ therefore $r = 3$.
We can also argue by saying that $r = m$ or we have a constraint on b .

(d) Rank of the 6 by 5 matrix $B = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ A \end{bmatrix}$.

We can use elimination to obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} A \\ A \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} A \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

But $\begin{bmatrix} A \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ has rank 3. Therefore $\text{rank}(B) = 3$.

3. (a) When an odd permutation matrix P_1 multiplies an even permutation matrix P_2 , the product $P_1 P_2$ is odd (EXPLAIN WHY).

P_1 applies an odd number of row exchanges to I and P_2 applies an even number. Hence $P_1 P_2$ applies odd + even = odd number of row exchanges.

(b) If the columns of B are vectors in the nullspace of A , then AB is 0 matrix

(EXPLAIN WHY). Let $B = [B_1 | \dots | B_k]$, where B_1, \dots, B_k are the columns of B . Since each B_i is in $N(A)$ we have $AB_i = 0$.

Then $AB = [AB_1 | \dots | AB_k] = [0 | \dots | 0] = 0$

(c) If $c = 0$, factor this matrix into $A = LU$ (lower triangular times upper triangular):

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \\ 1 & 8 & c \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) That matrix A is invertible unless $c = \underline{21}$.

$$(b) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \\ 1 & 8 & c \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[-R_1+R_3]{-R_1+R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 6 & c-3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-3R_2+R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & c-21 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence A is invertible unless $c-21=0 \Rightarrow \boxed{c=21}$

(a) when $c=0$ we get $A = LU$

where $L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$