

Applied Mathematics I- Worksheet #6

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1. Null space and the general solution

1.a Find A ; x and b such that the system below is the same as $Ax = b$:

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y + z + w &= 5 \\2x + 4y + z + w &= 6 \\3x + 2y + 4z + 5w &= 14\end{aligned}$$

1.b Verify that $x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 0 \\ 11 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ are solutions to the equation, and that $x_1 - x_0$ is in the null-space of A :

1.c Write x_1 in the form $x_0 + h$; where h is in the null-space of A :

1.d Find the general solution of $Ax = b$ and write it in the form

$$x_0 + sh_0$$

where x_0 is as above and h_0 is in the nullspace of A .

2. Find the general solution to the equations on 23 of the book, reproduced here

$$\begin{aligned} Q_1 + Q_3 &= 5 \\ Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_5 &= 4 \\ Q_2 + Q_3 + Q_4 &= 0 \\ Q_4 + Q_5 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Write out the general solution as

$$x_0 + sh_0 + th_1$$

where x_0 is a particular solution and h_0 and h_1 are in the null-space of A :