## 2. Matrices

- The various elementary operations or transformations on a matrix are as follows:
  - $\circ$  R<sub>i</sub>  $\leftrightarrow$  R<sub>i</sub> or C<sub>i</sub>  $\leftrightarrow$  C<sub>i</sub>
  - $R_i \leftrightarrow kR_i$  or  $C_i \leftrightarrow kC_i$ , where k is a non-zero constant
  - $R_i \leftrightarrow R_i + kR_i$  or  $C_i \leftrightarrow C_i + kC_i$ , where k is a constant.

For example, by applying 
$$R_1 \to R_1 - 7R_3$$
 to the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} -9 & 5 & 8 \\ 5 & 6 & 11 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , we obtain  $\begin{bmatrix} -23 & 12 & 8 \\ 5 & 6 & 11 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- If A and B are the square matrices of same order such that AB = BA = I, then B is called the inverse of A and A is called the inverse of B. i.e.,  $A^{-1} = B$  and  $B^{-1} = A$
- If A and B are invertible matrices of the same order, then  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$
- If the inverse of a square matrix exists, then it is unique.
- If the inverse of a matrix exists, then it can be calculated either by using elementary row operations or by using elementary column operations.

Example: Find the inverse of the matrix: 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta & \cos \theta \\ -\cos \theta & \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution:** 

We know that 
$$A = IA$$
. Therefore, we have
$$\begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta & \cos \theta \\ -\cos \theta & \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A$$

Applying  $R_1 \rightarrow \sin \theta R_1$  and  $R_2 \rightarrow \cos \theta R_2$ , we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sin^2 \theta & \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ -\cos^2 \theta & \sin \theta \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} A$$

Applying  $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$ , we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta & 0 \\ -\cos^2\theta & \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \\ 0 & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} A$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\cos^2\theta & \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \\ 0 & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} A$$

Applying 
$$R_2 \to R_2 + \cos^2\theta R_1$$
, we have
$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sin\theta\cos\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \\ \sin\theta\cos^2\theta & \cos\theta (1-\cos^2\theta) \end{bmatrix} A$$

- If A is a square matrix, then A(adjA) = (adjA) A = |A| I
- A square matrix A is said to be singular, if
  A square matrix A is said to be non-singular, if
- If A and B are square matrices of same order, then  $A \neq 0$ |AB| = |A||B|

Therefore, if A and B are non-singular matrices of same order, then AB and BA are also non-singular matrices of same order.

- If A is a non-singular matrix of order n, then  $\left(AdjA\right)\left(adjA\right) = |A|^{n-1}$
- A square matrix A is invertible, if and only if A is non-singular and inverse of A is given by the formula:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|}(adjA)$$

$$a_1x + b_1y + c_1z = d_1$$

• The system of following linear equations  $a_{2}x + b_{2}y + c_{2}z = d_{2}$  can be written as AX = B, where  $a_3x + b_3y + c_2z = d_3$ 

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- A system of linear equations is said to be consistent, if its solution (one or more) exists.
- A system of linear equations is said to be inconsistent, if its solution does not exist.
- Unique solution of the equation AX = B is given by  $X = A^{-1} B$ , where  $|A| \neq 0$
- For a square matrix A in equation AX = B, if
  - $\circ$   $|A| \neq 0$ , then there exists a unique solution
  - $|A| \neq 0$  and  $(adjA) B \neq O$ , then no solution exists
  - $\circ$   $|A| \neq 0$  and  $(adjA) B \neq O$ , then the system may or may not be consistent

## Example 2:

Solve the following system of linear equations:

$$x - 3y + 4z = 12$$
  
 $2x + 2y - 3z = -7$   
 $6x - y + 2z = 13$ 

## **Solution:**

The given system of equations can be written in the form AX = B, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 & -3 \\ 6 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$
 and 
$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ -7 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, 
$$|A| = 1[2 \times 2 - (-1)(-3)] + 3[2 \times 2 - 6(-3)] + 4[2 \times (-1) - 6 \times 2] = 11 \neq 0$$

Therefore, A is a non-singular matrix and hence, the given system of linear equations has only one solution.

Now,

$$A_{11} = [2 \times 2 - (-1)(-3)] = 1$$

$$A_{12} = -[2 \times 2 - 6(-3)] = -22$$

$$A_{13} = [2(-1) - 6 \times 2] = -14$$

$$A_{21} = -[(-3) \times 2 - (-1) \times 4] = 2$$

$$A_{22} = [1 \times 2 - 6 \times 4] = -22$$

$$A_{23} = -[1(-1) - 6(-3)] = -17$$

$$A_{31} = [(-3)(-3) - 4 \times 2] = 1$$

$$A_{32} = -[1(-3) - 2 \times 4] = 11$$

$$A_{33} = [1 \times 2 - 2(-3)] = 8$$

$$\therefore A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} (adjA) = \frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -22 & -22 & 11 \\ -14 & -17 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Now, X = A^{-1}B$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -22 & -22 & 11 \\ -14 & -17 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ -7 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 33 \\ 55 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = 1, y = 3, \text{ and } z = 5$$

## Solution of System of Linear Equations (Method of Reduction)

The method of reduction can be used to solve a system of linear equations.

Steps involved:

- Write the given system of linear equations in the matrix equation form AX = B.
- Perform a suitable row transformation on matrix A to reduce it to an upper triangular matrix or a lower triangular matrix. The same row operations need to be simultaneously performed on matrix B.
- Rewrite the equations in the form of system of linear equations that can be solved by the elimination method.

**Note:** Matrix B is a column matrix, so elementary column transformations cannot be used to reduce matrix A to an upper triangular matrix or a lower triangular matrix.