

18.085 : Problem Set 1 Solutions

1) a) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{row 2} + \text{row 1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ref

1 pivot $\rightarrow$ rank = 1 $\Rightarrow$

$$\dim(C(A)) = \dim(C(A^T)) = 1$$

$$\dim(N(A)) = n - r = 1$$

$$\dim(N(A^T)) = m - r = 1$$

Neither

b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

3 pivots $\rightarrow$ rank = 3 $\Rightarrow$

$$\dim(C(A)) = \dim(C(A^T)) = 3$$

$$\dim(N(A)) = n - r = 3$$

$$\dim(N(A^T)) = m - r = 0$$

Full row rank

c) $v v^T \rightarrow n \times n$ matrix
 $n \times 1 \quad 1 \times n$

Columns are linear multiples of v only $\rightarrow$ rank = 1 $\Rightarrow$

$$\dim(C(v v^T)) = \dim(C((v v^T)^T)) = 1$$

$$\dim(N(v v^T)) = \dim(N((v v^T)^T)) = n - 1$$

Neither

d) $u^T u \rightarrow 1 \times 1$ matrix $\rightarrow$ rank = 1 $\Rightarrow$
 $1 \times n \quad n \times 1$

Note: $u^T u = \bar{u} \cdot \bar{u}$

$$\dim(C(u^T u)) = \dim(C((u^T u)^T)) = 1$$

$$\dim(N(u^T u)) = \dim(N((u^T u)^T)) = 0$$

Both

e) $A^T A \rightarrow n \times n$ matrix
 $n \times m$ $m \times n$

A is full-column rank, so $\text{rank}(A) = n \rightarrow$ A has independent columns
 $\rightarrow$ A has n -independent rows

Since the rows of $A^T A$ will be a linear combo of the rows of A ,

the rank will also be n .

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dim(C(A^T A)) = \dim(C((A^T A)^T)) = n \\ \dim(N(A^T A)) = \dim(N((A^T A)^T)) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Both

f) $B B^T \rightarrow m \times m$ matrix
 $m \times n$ $n \times m$

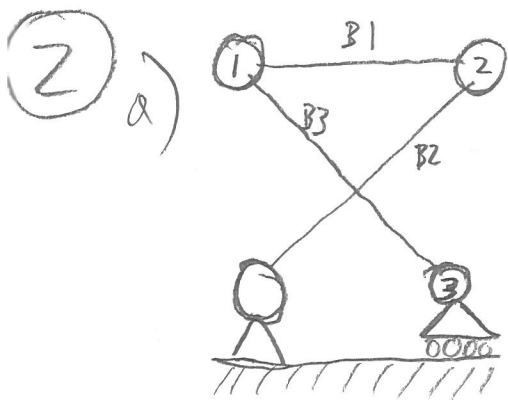
B is full-row rank, so $\text{rank}(B) = m \rightarrow$ B has independent rows
 $\rightarrow$ B has m -independent columns

Since the cols of $B B^T$ will be a linear combo of the cols of B ,

the rank will also be m .

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dim(C(B B^T)) = \dim(C((B B^T)^T)) = m \\ \dim(N(B B^T)) = \dim(N((B B^T)^T)) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Both



Degrees of freedom are: $u_1^H, u_1^V, u_2^H, u_2^V, u_3^H$

Bars are: B1, B2, B3

$$\begin{matrix} B1: \\ B2: \\ B3: \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1^H \\ u_1^V \\ u_2^H \\ u_2^V \\ u_3^H \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Bar 1: $\theta = 0 \rightarrow \cos \theta = 1$
 $\sin \theta = 0$

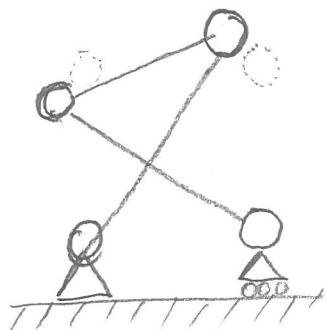
Bar 2: $\theta = \pi/4 \rightarrow \cos \theta = 1/\sqrt{2}$
 $\sin \theta = 1/\sqrt{2}$

Bar 3: $\theta = \pi/4 \rightarrow \cos \theta = 1/\sqrt{2}$
 $\sin \theta = 1/\sqrt{2}$

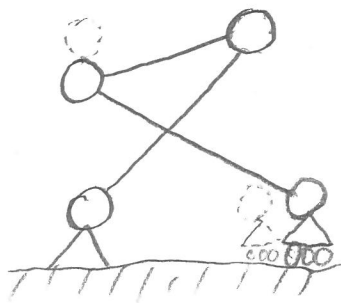
b) $\dim(N(A)) = \# \text{ of independent deformations} = n - r = 5 - 3 = \boxed{2}$
 (In MATLAB: $\text{rank}(A) = 3$)

c) In MATLAB: $\text{null}(A, 'r') = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\uparrow$ Mode 1 $\uparrow$ Mode 2



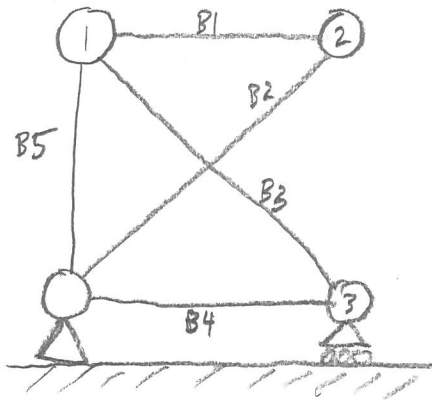
Mode 1



Mode 2

d) For stability we need $\text{rank}(A) = \# \text{DOFs}$, so we need at minimum 2 more bars.

e) A stable truss:



$$\begin{array}{l} B1: \\ B2: \\ B3: \\ B4: \\ B5: \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1^H \\ u_1^V \\ u_2^H \\ u_2^V \\ u_3^H \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

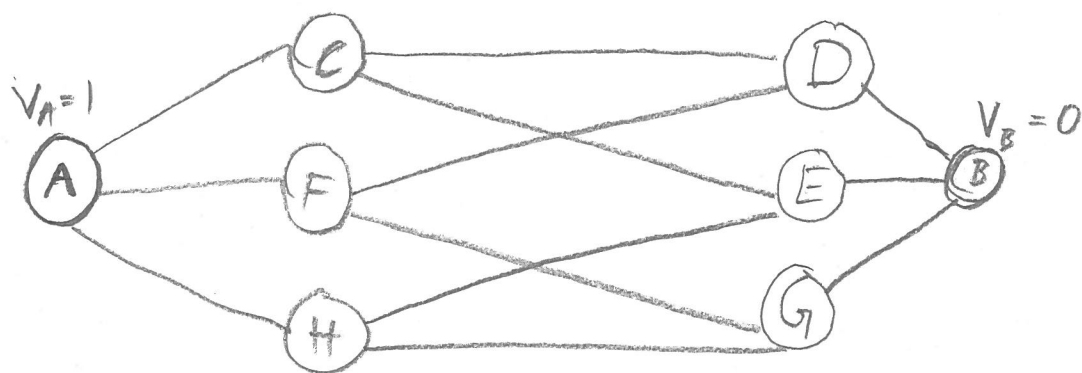
Bar 4: $\theta = 0 \Rightarrow \cos \theta = 1$
 $\sin \theta = 0$

Bar 5: $\theta = \pi/2 \Rightarrow \cos \theta = 0$
 $\sin \theta = 1$

In MATLAB: $\text{rank}(A) = 5$

$\Rightarrow \dim(N(A)) = 5 - 5 = 0 \Rightarrow$ no deformation modes that preserve bar length.

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Node A: $V_A = 1$

Node B: $V_B = 0$

Node C: $(V_A - V_C) + (V_D - V_C) + (V_E - V_C) = 0$

Node D: $(V_B - V_D) + (V_C - V_D) + (V_F - V_D) = 0$

Node E: $(V_B - V_E) + (V_C - V_E) + (V_H - V_E) = 0$

Node F: $(V_A - V_F) + (V_D - V_F) + (V_G - V_F) = 0$

Node G: $(V_B - V_G) + (V_F - V_G) + (V_H - V_G) = 0$

Node H: $(V_A - V_H) + (V_E - V_H) + (V_G - V_H) = 0$

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
A	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
C	1	0	-3	1	1	0	0	0
D	0	1	1	-3	0	1	0	0
E	0	1	1	0	-3	0	0	1
F	1	0	0	1	0	-3	1	0
G	0	1	0	0	0	1	-3	1
H	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	-3

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_A \\ V_B \\ V_C \\ V_D \\ V_E \\ V_F \\ V_G \\ V_H \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

In MATLAB: $A \setminus b =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3/5 \\ 2/5 \\ 2/5 \\ 3/5 \\ 2/5 \\ 3/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

→ current into node B = $\frac{(V_D - V_B)}{R} + \frac{(V_E - V_B)}{R} + \frac{(V_G - V_B)}{R}$

$$= \frac{2}{5R} + \frac{2}{5R} + \frac{2}{5R} = \frac{6}{5R}$$

$$R_{eq} = \frac{\Delta V}{I_B} = \frac{1}{(6/5R)} = \boxed{\frac{5}{6} R}$$

4) a) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$ By inspection $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is a solution but is it the only solution?

check rank $\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{-row (2)}]{\text{row (3)}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow 2 \text{ pivots, } r=2,$
 $\dim(N(A)) = 1$

Thus there are infinitely many solutions of form $x = x_p + x_n$

$$x_p = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

Notice: column (3) = col (1) + col (2) $\rightarrow x_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$
 $0 = \text{col (1)} + \text{col (2)} - \text{col (3)}$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

we already saw that $\text{rank}(A) < n$, so we either have no or infinitely-many solutions.

Q: Is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in C(A)$? $\rightarrow$ Note that in all columns the 2nd element = 3rd element

$\rightarrow$ No combination of these vectors can thus produce $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

$\rightarrow$ No solution!

$$c) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

check rank $\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{-row(2)}]{\text{row(3)}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ rank = 3 = n,
Matrix is invertible!
So we have a unique soln.

Gaussian Elimination: $\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[\text{-row(2)}]{\text{row(3)}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[\text{-row(3)}]{\text{row(2)}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right]$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[\text{-row(3)}]{\text{row(1)}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} x_1 &= 2 \\ x_2 &= 2 \\ x_3 &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$