## Solution to Practice 3o

**B1(a)** To determine if  $\vec{y}_1$  is in the range of L, we need to look for  $\vec{x}$  such that  $[L]\vec{x} = \vec{y}_1$ . That is, we need to look at solutions to

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

To solve this system, we row reduce its augmented matrix:

From our last matrix, we see that  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a solution to our equation.

So,  $\vec{y}_1$  is in the range of L, and  $\begin{bmatrix} 2\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix}$  is such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

**B1(b)** To determine if  $\vec{y}_2$  is in the range of L, we need to look for  $\vec{x}$  such that  $|L|\vec{x} = \vec{y}_2$ . That is, we need to look at solutions to

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

To solve this system, we row reduce its augmented matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & | & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & | & 1 \end{bmatrix} R_2 - R_1 \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 & | & -4 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & | & 1 \end{bmatrix} (-1/2)R_2$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & | & 1 \end{bmatrix} R_3 + 3R_2 \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -6 & | & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & | & 5 \end{bmatrix} (-1/6)R_3$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & | & 5 \end{bmatrix} R_4 - 4R_3 \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the last matrix has a bad row, we see that the equation does not have any solutions. Thus,  $\vec{y}_2$  is not in the range of L.