

1. You are given matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 6 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and the reduced row echelon form of  $A$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(a) (3 points) Give the general solution for  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$

(b) (1 point) Find the dimension of  $\text{Nul } A$ .

(c) (1 point) Find a basis for  $\text{Col } A$ .

(d) (2 points) For what value of  $a$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ a \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\text{Col } A$ ?

(e) (3 points) Let  $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{a}_4, \mathbf{a}_5$  be the columns of  $A$ .

For each of the following sets state whether the set **is** or **is not** a basis for  $\text{Col } A$ ? Give a brief justification for your answers.

i.  $\{\mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_4\}$

ii.  $\{\mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_5\}$

iii.  $\{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{a}_4\}$

2. Given the following system

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 3$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + ax_3 = 6$$

$$x_1 + 4x_2 - x_3 = b$$

(a) (1 point) For what values of  $a$  and  $b$  is this system inconsistent?

(b) (1 point) For what values of  $a$  and  $b$  does this system have a unique solution?

(c) (1 point) For what values of  $a$  and  $b$  does this system have infinitely many solutions?

(d) (2 points) For what values of  $a$  and  $b$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  a solution of this system?

3. (4 points) Use row reduction to find a function of the form  $y = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$  that passes through the points

$$(-1, 1), (1, 5), (2, 1)$$

4.

(a) (1 point) In  $\mathbb{R}^2$  find a vector,  $\mathbf{u}$ , parallel to the line  $y = -2x$ .

(b) (1 point) In  $\mathbb{R}^2$  find a vector,  $\mathbf{v}$ , perpendicular to the line  $y = -2x$ .

(c) (2 points) Write the vector  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$  as a linear combination of the vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  that you found above.

5. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & a \\ 1 & b \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a) (2 points) For what values of  $a$  and  $b$  (if any) is  $A$  symmetric?
- (b) (2 points) For what values of  $a$  and  $b$  (if any) is  $A^2 = A$  ?
- (c) (2 points) For what values of  $a$  and  $b$  (if any) is  $A = A^{-1}$ ?
- (d) (2 points) Find a condition on  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $A$  invertible?

6. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) (2 points) Compute  $A^2$ .
- (b) (2 points) Based on the answer in part (a) what is  $A^{-1}$ ?

7. Let  $S(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$  be a linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that reflects vectors through the  $y$ -axis, and let  $R(\mathbf{x}) = B\mathbf{x}$  be a linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that reflects vectors through the line  $y = x$ .

- (a) (3 points) Find the standard matrix of the transformation  $T = R \circ S$ .
- (b) (1 point) Find the angle of rotation corresponding to transformation  $T$ .

8. Suppose  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is an invertible linear transformation such that

$$T(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{c}$$

$$T(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{b}$$

$$T(\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{a}$$

- (a) (2 points) What is  $T^{-1}(\mathbf{a})$ ?
- (b) (2 points) What is  $T(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c})$  in simplest form?  
Hint: start by adding the three given equations together.
- (c) (2 points) What is  $T(\mathbf{a})$ ?

9. (4 points) Write  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 100 \end{bmatrix}$  as a product of elementary matrices.

10. (4 points) Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  are invertible  $n \times n$  matrices. Find the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} A & I \\ B^{-1}A & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

11. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a) (3 points) Evaluate the determinant of  $A$ .

(b) (2 points) Use Cramer's Rule to solve for  $x_4$  **only** in the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

12. Let  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Let  $V = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{v}\}$

(a) (3 points) Find a basis for  $V$ , given that  $V$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(b) (1 point) Draw the subspace  $V$ .

13. Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices and let  $V = \{X \in M_{n \times n} : AXB = BXA\}$

(a) (4 points) Show that  $V$  is a subspace of  $M_{n \times n}$ .

(b) (2 points) If  $A$  is invertible and  $V$  is defined as above show that  $A^{-1}$  will be in  $V$ .

14. Let  $S = \{1 + 2x - x^2, 1 + 3x^2, 4x + ax^2\}$

(a) (3 points) For what value(s) of  $a$  is  $S$  linearly dependent?

(b) (1 point) When  $a = 0$  what is the dimension of the span of  $S$ ?

15. Let  $\mathcal{L}_1$  be the line  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and let  $\mathcal{L}_2$  be the line  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(a) (3 points) Find the distance between the parallel lines  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2$ .

(b) (3 points) Find an equation for the line through the origin that intersects  $\mathcal{L}_1$  at a right angle.

16. Given  $A(1, 1, 1)$ ,  $B(2, 2, 2)$ , and  $C(3, -1, 2)$

(a) (3 points) Find an equation of the form  $ax + by + cz = d$  for the plane containing  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ .

(b) (2 points) Find the area of triangle  $ABC$ .

(c) (2 points) Find the cosine of the angle  $\theta$  at vertex  $A$  of triangle  $ABC$ .

(d) (2 points) Find the point on side  $AC$  that is 2 units from  $A$ .

17. Let  $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$  be a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(a) (2 points) Compute  $\mathbf{e}_1 \times \mathbf{w}$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_2 \times \mathbf{w}$ , and  $\mathbf{e}_3 \times \mathbf{w}$ .

(b) (3 points) Now use the above to evaluate and simplify

$$\|\mathbf{e}_1 \times \mathbf{w}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{e}_2 \times \mathbf{w}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{e}_3 \times \mathbf{w}\|^2$$

Your final answer should be expressed in terms of  $\|\mathbf{w}\|$ .

18. (8 points) Fill in the correct numerical value for each of the following statements.

- (a) Suppose that  $A$  is a  $7 \times 4$  matrix of rank 3 and that  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is consistent then the rank of the  $7 \times 5$  augmented matrix  $[A \ \mathbf{b}]$  is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) Suppose that  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is linearly dependent then  $a = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  and  $b = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .
- (c) Suppose  $\det(A) = 5$  and  $\det(2A) = 40$  then  $\det(3A) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .
- (d) Suppose  $A$  is a  $6 \times 6$  matrix and that  $\text{Row } A$ ,  $\text{Col } A$ , and  $\text{Nul } A$  all have the same dimension then the rank of  $A$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

### ANSWERS

1. (a)  $\mathbf{x} = r \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b) 3 (c)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  (d)  $a = -12$  (e) i. Yes ii. No iii. No
2. (a)  $b \neq -3$  (b)  $b = -3, a \neq 5$  (c)  $b = -3, a = 5$  (d)  $b = -3, a = 5$
3.  $y = 5 + 2x - 2x^2$
4. (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix} = -5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + 5 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
5. (a)  $a = 1, b = \text{any value}$  (b)  $a = -6, b = -2$  (c)  $a = -8, b = -3$  (d)  $a \neq 3b$
6. (a)  $4I$  (b)  $\frac{1}{4}A$
7. (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $-90^\circ$
8. (a)  $\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}$  (b)  $\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c})$  (c)  $\frac{1}{2}(-\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c})$
9. For example,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 99 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
10.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & A^{-1}B \\ I & -B \end{bmatrix}$
11. (a) 8 (b)  $x_4 = -1$
12. (a)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  12. (b) Draw a line through the origin in the direction of the basis vector.
13. (a) Yes it is a subspace; all three properties hold.  
 (b) Substituting  $X = A^{-1}$  gives  $AXB = AA^{-1}B = B$  and  $BXA = BA^{-1}A = B$ .
14. (a)  $a = -8$  (b) 3
15. (a)  $\sqrt{11}$  (b)  $\mathbf{x} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

16. (a)  $3x + y - 4z = 0$  (b)  $\frac{\sqrt{26}}{2}$  (c)  $\frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 7/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 5/3 \end{bmatrix}$

17. (a)  $\mathbf{e}_1 \times \mathbf{w} = \langle 0, -c, b \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_2 \times \mathbf{w} = \langle c, 0, -a \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_3 \times \mathbf{w} = \langle -b, a, 0 \rangle$

17. (b)  $2\|\mathbf{w}\|^2$

18. (a) 3 (b)  $a = 4/3$ ,  $b = -14/3$  (c) 135 (d) 3