

## Test 1

This test is graded out of 40 marks. No books, notes, graphing calculators or cell phones are allowed. You must show all your work, the correct answer is worth 1 mark the remaining marks are given for the work. If you need more space for your answer use the back of the page.

## Question 1.

- a. (6 marks) Solve the following system by Gauss-Jordan elimination:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & y & - & z & + & w & - & v \\ \begin{matrix} 2x \\ 3x \\ 3x \end{matrix} & = & 3y & + & 4z & - & 4w & + & v & = & 2 \\ & = & 3y & + & 4z & - & 4w & + & v & = & 2 \end{array}$$

- b. (1 mark) Find two particular solutions to the above system.

a)  $\left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 & -4 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -3 & 4 & -4 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right]$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \\ \sim 2R_2 \rightarrow R_3 \\ \sim \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & -3 & 4 & -4 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 6 & -6 & 8 & -8 & 2 & 4 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\sim -3R_1 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \quad \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & -3 & 4 & -4 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & -4 & 4 & -1 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim -3R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \quad \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & -3 & 4 & -4 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 2 & -11 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 4R_3 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \\ \sim -R_3 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ \sim -R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \\ \sim \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & -3 & 0 & 0 & 9 & -42 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 14 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 11 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\sim 3R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \quad \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 11 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \frac{1}{2}R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \quad \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 14 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 11 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{Let } w = s \quad s, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x = 0 \\ y = 14 + 3s \\ z = 11 + 2t + s \end{array} \quad s, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\therefore (x, y, z, w, v) = (0, 14+3s, 11+2t+s, s, t)$$

$$b) \quad s, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} s=t=0 \quad (x, y, z, w, v) = (0, 14, 11, 0, 0) \\ s=0 \quad t=1 \quad (x, y, z, w, v) = (0, 14, 13, 0, 1) \end{array}$$

**Question 2.** Consider the matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 & 2 \\ -3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

a. (2 marks) Evaluate if possible, justify.

$$\text{trace}(C)A - \text{trace}(D)B^T = (1) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} - (-4) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -5 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -10 \\ -17 & 10 \\ 9 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

b. (2 marks) Evaluate if possible, justify.

$$EA$$

A  
3x2

# columns of E not equal to # rows of A  
∴ not defined

c. (2 marks) Evaluate if possible, justify.

$$(AC)E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 17 \\ 31 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

e. (4 marks) Solve for X if possible.

$$\begin{aligned} CXD &= 10I_2 \\ C^{-1}C \times D D^{-1} &= C^{-1} 10 I_2 D^{-1} \\ I \times I &= \frac{1}{-10} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ -5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ X &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ -5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -8 & -2 \\ -19 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

**Q3.** (5 marks) Solve for X given that it satisfies

$$(2A + X^T)^{-1} = I$$

where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\left( (2A + X^T)^{-1} \right)^{-1} = I^{-1}$$

$$2A + X^T = I$$

$$X^T = I - 2A$$

$$X^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X^T = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -6 \\ -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -6 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Question 4.** (2 marks) Let A and B be matrices such that AB is defined. Show that if the first and second columns of B are equal then so are the first and second columns of AB.

$$[1^{\text{st}} \text{ column of } AB] = A [1^{\text{st}} \text{ column of } B]$$

$$[2^{\text{nd}} \text{ column of } AB] = A [2^{\text{nd}} \text{ column of } B]$$

Since the first column and second column of B  
are the same then the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> column of AB  
are equal.

**Question 5.** (3 marks) Given an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  such that  $p(A) = 0$  where  $p(x) = x^3 - x^2 + 1$ . Determine the inverse of  $A$  in terms of  $A$ .

$$0 = p(A)$$

$$0 = A^3 - A^2 + I$$

$$I = A^2 - A^3$$

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$$I = A(A - A^2)$$

$$I = (A - A^2)A$$

**Question 6.** Consider the following augmented matrix in which \* denotes an arbitrary number and ■ denotes a nonzero number. Determine whether the system of the given augmented matrix is consistent. If consistent, is the solution unique?

a. (2 marks)  $\begin{bmatrix} ■ & * & * & * \\ 0 & ■ & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & ■ & * \end{bmatrix}$

all leading entries in variable columns  
∴ consistent  
∴ # leading entries = # var  
∴ unique solution

b. (2 marks)  $\begin{bmatrix} ■ & * & * & * & * & * \\ 0 & ■ & * & * & 0 & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & ■ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & * & ■ \end{bmatrix}$

If  $\downarrow$  is equal to 0  
then the system is

inconsistent since  
there is a leading in the constant column. If (\*) is non zero  
there is an element in row operation to make the entry zero. Hence  
the system is inconsistent.

**Question 7.** (3 marks) Given that  $A$ ,  $H$  and  $M$  are invertible matrices simplify the following expression.

$$\begin{aligned} (AM^{-1})^{-1}(A^2)^T(H^TA^T(A^{-1})^T)^T &= (M^{-1})^{-1}A^{-1}(AA)^T((A^{-1})^T)^T(A^T)^T(H^T)^T \\ &= MA^{-1}A^TA^TA^{-1}AH \\ &= MA^{-1}(A^T)^2IH \\ &= MA^{-1}(A^T)^2H \end{aligned}$$

**Question 7.** Consider the following system:

$$\begin{aligned} x - 2y &= 5 \\ 3x - 4y &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

a. (1 mark) Write the above system as a matrix equation.

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

b. (2 marks) Solve the matrix equation by using the inverse of the coefficient matrix.

$$\begin{aligned} A\mathbf{x} &= \mathbf{b} \\ A^{-1}A\mathbf{x} &= A^{-1}\mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{x} &= A^{-1}\mathbf{b} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4/2 \\ -9/2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

c. (2 marks) Give a geometrical interpretation of the solution set.

Two lines intersecting at  $(x, y) = (-\frac{4}{2}, -\frac{9}{2})$ .

**Question 8.** (1 mark) True or False: a system with more unknowns than equations has at least one solution.

False,  
 $\begin{array}{l} x+y+z=1 \\ x+y+z=2 \end{array}$  has no solutions

**Bonus Question.** (3 marks) If  $c$  is a scalar and  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix then  
 $\text{tr}(cA^T) = c\text{tr}(A)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } A = [a_{ij}] \text{ then} \\ \text{tr}(c[a_{ij}]^T) &= \text{tr}(c[a_{ij}]) \Rightarrow \text{tr}(\{ca_{ij}\}) = ca_{11} + ca_{22} + \dots + ca_{nn} \\ &\Rightarrow c(a_{11} + a_{22} + \dots + a_{nn}) \\ &= c\text{tr}(A) \end{aligned}$$