

Books, watches, notes or cell phones are **not** allowed. The **only** calculators allowed are the Sharp EL-531***. You **must** show all your work, the correct answer is worth 1 mark the remaining marks are given for the work.

Question 1. (4 marks) Prove: If the reduced row echelon form of A is I_n , and E is an $n \times n$ elementary matrix, then the system $EA^2A^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution.

Question 2. (5 marks) Solve for the matrix A in the following equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 3(A^{-1})^T \right)^{-1} = A^T$$

Question 3. (3 marks) Determine whether the following statement is true or false. If the statement is false provide a counterexample. If the statement is true provide a proof of the statement.

If A is an invertible matrix and B is row equivalent to A , then B is also invertible.

Question 4. (5 marks) Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Find an invertible matrix U such that $A = UR$ where R is the reduced row echelon form of A .