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## TEST 1 (B)

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### Question 1. (10 marks)

(a) Define briefly the three types of elementary row operations.

- (1) INTERCHANGE 2 ROWS
- (2) MULTIPLY A ROW by A NON-ZERO constant
- (3) Add A Multiple of one row to Another

(b) Using elementary row operations, find the **reduced row echelon** form of the following matrix. Show each step, writing a new matrix showing the result of each of your elementary row operations.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 & 8 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 6 & 8 & 14 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 8 \\ 6 & 8 & 14 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 - 3R_1 \rightarrow R_3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_3 - R_2 \rightarrow R_3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 - R_2 \rightarrow R_1 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 2 & -10 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{1}{2}R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\frac{1}{2}R_2 \rightarrow R_2$$

**Question 2. (10 marks)**

Consider the system whose augmented matrix is given in row echelon form below, where  $a$  is a constant:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a^2 - 4 & a + 2 \end{array} \right]$$

State the conditions on  $a$  so that the corresponding linear system has:

- (i) No solutions
- (ii) Infinitely many solutions
- (iii) A unique solution

(i)  $a^2 - 4 = 0 \quad \& \quad a + 2 \neq 0$

$$a^2 = 4$$

$$a = \pm$$

$$a \neq -2$$

so

$$\boxed{a = 2}$$

(ii)  $a^2 - 4 = 0 \quad \& \quad a + 2 = 0$

$$a^2 = 4$$

$$a = \pm 2$$

$$a = -2$$

$$\boxed{a = -2}$$

(iii)  $a^2 - 4 \neq 0$

$$\boxed{a \neq \pm 2}$$

**Question 3. (10 marks)**

Solve the following system of equations (note that there are 4 variables).

$$x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 1$$

$$2x_1 + 4x_3 - 2x_4 = 6$$

$$-2x_1 + 2x_2 - 4x_3 = -2$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 & -2 & 6 \\ -2 & 2 & -4 & 0 & -2 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} -2R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ R_3 + 2R_1 \rightarrow R_3 \end{array} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$x_3$  &  $x_4$  are free variables

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } x_3 &= s \\ x_4 &= t \end{aligned}$$

$$x_2 - x_4 = 2$$

$$x_2 = 2 + x_4 = 2 + t$$

$$x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 1 + x_2 - 2x_3 \\ &= 1 + 2 + t - 2s \\ &= 3 - 2s + t \end{aligned}$$

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (3 - 2s + t, 2 + t, s, t)$$

$s, t \in \mathbb{R}$

**Question 4. (10 marks)**

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

Compute the following (where possible).

- (a)  $3A + B^T$
- (b)  $CB - A^T$
- (c)  $CA$

$$(a) \quad 3A + B^T$$

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

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -12 \\ 9 & 3 \\ -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -11 \\ 10 & 3 \\ -6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) \quad CB - A^T$$

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

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & -13 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ -4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -2 & 2 \\ 6 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) \quad CA \quad \text{not defined}$$

$(2 \times 2)(3 \times 2)$

**Question 5. (10marks)**Find  $A$  given the information below.

$$(A - 2I)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left( (A - 2I)^{-1} \right)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$A - 2I = -\frac{1}{8} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2/8 & -3/8 \\ -4/8 & -2/8 \end{bmatrix} + 2I$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1/4 & -3/8 \\ -1/2 & -1/4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 7/4 & -3/8 \\ -1/2 & 7/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Question 6. (10 marks)**

Given  $n \times n$  invertible matrices  $A$  and  $B$ . State whether or not the following statements are TRUE or FALSE. If the statement is false give an example otherwise simply state that the statement is true.

(a)  $AB = BA$

FALSE  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB \neq BA$$

(b)  $(A+B)^{-1} = A^{-1} + B^{-1}$

FALSE  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
  $B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$(A+B)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} + B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A+B)^{-1} \neq A^{-1} + B^{-1}$$

(c)  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$

TRUE

**Question 7. (10 marks)**

(a) Given a square matrix  $A$ , state the two equations that a matrix  $C$  must satisfy in order for  $C = A^{-1}$ .

(b) Show that if a square matrix satisfies  $A^2 + 5A - I = 0$ , then  $A^{-1} = A + 5I$

(a)  $CA = I$   
 $AC = I$

(b) Given  $A^2 + 5A - I = 0$   
 $I = A^2 + 5A$

MUST SHOW  $A + 5I$  is the inverse of  $A$ , so it must satisfy the two conditions stated in (a)

(1)  $(A + 5I)A = I$

(2) &  $A(A + 5I) = I$

(1)  $(A + 5I)A = A^2 + 5IA = A^2 + 5A = I$   
FROM given

(2)  $A(A + 5I) = A^2 + A5I = A^2 + 5A = I$

THE conditions ARE satisfied

SO  $A^{-1} = A + 5I$



