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## TEST 1 (A)

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### Question 1.

(a) (4 marks)

Define briefly the four conditions that a matrix must satisfy to be in reduced row echelon form.

- (1) ANY ROWS WITH ALL ZERO ENTRIES AT THE BOTTOM
- (2) FIRST NON ZERO ENTRY IN ANY ROW IS A LEADING 1
- (3) ALL LEADING 1'S ARE TO THE RIGHT OF EACH OTHER (FROM TOP ROW TO BOTTOM)
- (4) EACH LEADING 1 HAS ZEROS ABOVE & BELOW IT

(b) (6 marks)

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.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_3 - 3R_1 \rightarrow R_3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 - R_2 \rightarrow R_3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 - R_2 \rightarrow R_1 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Question 2.** (10 marks)

Consider the system whose augmented matrix is given in row echelon form below, where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a^2 - 1 & b - 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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

(i)  $a^2 - 1 = 0$       &       $b - 3 \neq 0$   
 $\boxed{a = \pm 1}$        $\boxed{b \neq 3}$

(ii)  $a^2 - 1 = 0$   
 $\boxed{a = \pm 1}$       &       $b - 3 = 0$   
 $\boxed{b = 3}$

(iii)  $a^2 - 1 \neq 0$   
 $\boxed{a \neq \pm 1}$

**Question 3.** (10 marks)

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

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

$$2x_1 + 4x_2 - 2x_4 = 6$$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & -2 & 6 \\ -2 & -4 & 2 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 - 2R_1 \rightarrow R_2 \\ R_3 + R_1 \rightarrow R_3 \end{array} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x_2, x_4$  ARE FREE

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{let } x_2 = s \\ x_4 = t \end{array}$$

$$x_3 - x_4 = 2$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x_3 = 2 + x_4 \\ = 2 + t \end{array}$$

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

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

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

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

Question 4. (10 marks)

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

Compute the following (where possible).

(a)  $CA$

(b)  $A + B^T$

(c)  $CB - 2A^T$

(a)  $CA$  not defined  
 $2 \times 2 \quad 3 \times 2$

(b)  $A + B^T$

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

(c)  $CB - 2A^T$

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

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & -13 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 & -2 \\ -8 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -5 & 3 \\ 10 & 1 & -13 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Question 5.** (10 marks)

Find  $A$  given the information below.

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

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$$2A^T = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \frac{1}{20} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{10} & \frac{1}{20} \\ -\frac{1}{5} & \frac{3}{20} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{5} \\ \frac{1}{20} & \frac{3}{20} \end{bmatrix}$$

**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)  $A + B$  is invertible.

FALSE

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

$A, B$  invertible but

$$A + B = 0 \quad \text{not invertible}$$

(b)  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

TRUE

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

TRUE

**Question 7.**

(a) (3 marks)

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

(b) (6 marks)

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be square matrices satisfying  $AB = 0$ . Show that if  $A$  is invertible then  $B = 0$

$$(a) \quad \begin{aligned} AC &= I \\ CA &= I \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \quad AB = 0$$

IF  $A$  is invertible then  
it has an inverse  $A^{-1}$   
satisfying  $AA^{-1} = I$   
 $A^{-1}A = I$

so  $AB = 0$  multiply both sides by  $A^{-1}$

$$A^{-1}AB = A^{-1}0$$

$$IB = 0$$

$$B = 0$$



