

1. (5 points) You are given the following matrix  $A$  and vector  $\mathbf{b}$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 9 & -1 & -1 \\ -4 & -12 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 11 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Is  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is a solution to the  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ ?

- (b) Find the general solution to the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .

2. (6 points) Let

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

- (a) Is it true that for each  $\mathbf{b}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is consistent? Justify your answer.

- (b) Evaluate  $AA^T$ .

- (c) True or False (Justify.)

i.  $A$  and  $AA^T$  have the same column space.

ii.  $A$  and  $AA^T$  have the same null space.

iii.  $\text{Row}(A)$  and  $\text{Row}(AA^T)$  are not the same, but they have the same dimension.

3. (4 points) Find the values of  $a, b$  and  $c$  in the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  if  $f(-1) = -4$ ,  $f(2) = 5$  and  $f(3) = 0$ .

4. (4 points) Given  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 15 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Solve the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  using the given  $LU$  factorization.

5. (8 points) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a) Find  $A^{-1}$ .

(b) Consider the  $5 \times 5$  matrix  $U = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -3 & -3 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , which may also be viewed as

the block matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Use your answer from part (a) and this block matrix to find  $U^{-1}$ .

6. (6 points) Let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be  $3 \times 3$  matrices. It is given that  $\det(A) = 3$  and  $\det(B) = 7$ . It is also given that  $C$  is noninvertible. For each of the following expressions, either evaluate or write “not enough information”.

- (a)  $\det(10A^2B^{-1})$   
 (b)  $\det(A + B)$   
 (c)  $\det(AC + BC)$

7. (5 points) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 3 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(a) Find  $\det(A)$ .

(b) Given  $A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , solve for  $x_2$  only, using Cramer’s Rule.

8. (7 points) Consider the set  $S = \{A : A \in M_{3 \times 3} \text{ and } \text{rank}(A) \leq 2\}$ . (Justify all answers.)

- (a) Give an example of a non-zero matrix in  $S$ .  
 (b) Does  $S$  contain the zero matrix?  
 (c) Is  $S$  closed under addition?  
 (d) Is  $S$  closed under scalar multiplication?  
 (e) Is  $S$  a subspace of  $M_{3 \times 3}$ ?

9. (6 points) You are given the vector space

$$V = \{p(x) : p \in \mathbb{P}_3 \text{ and } p'(0) = 0 \text{ and } p''(0) = 0\}$$

Find a basis for  $V$ .

10. (6 points) Use the words MIGHT, CANNOT, or MUST to complete the statements below, as appropriate:

- (a) If the set  $\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}\}$  spans a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , then the set  $\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$  \_\_\_\_\_ span the same plane.  
 (b) If the column vectors of a square matrix  $A$  span all of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , then the determinant of  $A$  \_\_\_\_\_ be zero.  
 (c) The columns of an  $n \times n$  elementary matrix \_\_\_\_\_ be a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .  
 (d) If  $A \in M_{5 \times 6}$ , then  $\text{rank}(A)$  \_\_\_\_\_ be equal to  $\text{rank}(A^T)$   
 (e) For any invertible matrix  $A$ , the rank of  $A$  \_\_\_\_\_ be the same as the rank of  $A^2$ .

- (f) If a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  given by  $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$  is onto, then  $A$  \_\_\_\_\_ be invertible.
11. (6 points) Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be the line  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$
- (a) Find a matrix  $A$  such that  $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$  is a rotation that transforms  $\mathcal{L}$  into a horizontal line.
- (b) Find a non-zero matrix  $B$  such that  $T(\mathbf{x}) = B\mathbf{x}$  transforms  $\mathcal{L}$  into a single point.
12. (11 points) Let  $\mathcal{L}_1$  be the line  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and let  $\mathcal{L}_2$  be the line  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ 14 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- (a) Find the point of intersection of  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2$ .
- (b) Find an equation of the form  $ax + by + cz = d$  for the plane containing  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2$ .
- (c) Find the distance from  $\mathcal{L}_1$  to the origin.
13. (8 points) Given  $A(-2, 1, 0)$ ,  $B(1, 5, 0)$ ,  $C(4, 0, 1)$ .
- (a) Find the area of the triangle  $\triangle ABC$ .
- (b) Find an equation for the line through  $A$  that is perpendicular to the plane containing  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ .
- (c) Find a unit vector parallel to  $\overrightarrow{AB}$ .
- (d) Find a point between  $A$  and  $B$  that is two units away from  $A$ .
14. (7 points) Let  $\mathcal{P}_1$  be the plane  $3x + y - 4z = 10$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$  be the plane  $-x + 3y - z = 5$ .
- (a) Find the cosine of the angle between  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$ .
- (b) Find an equation for the line through the origin that is parallel to both  $\mathcal{P}_1$  and  $\mathcal{P}_2$ .
15. (3 points) Suppose  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\|\mathbf{u}\| = 3$ ,  $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 5$ , and  $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| = 7$ . Find the angle between  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ . Hint: start by looking at  $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})$ .
16. (4 points) Let  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}$ , and  $\mathbf{w}$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Show that if  $\text{Proj}_{\mathbf{v}}\mathbf{u} = \text{Proj}_{\mathbf{v}}\mathbf{w}$ , then  $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}$  is perpendicular to  $\mathbf{v}$ .
17. (4 points) Given  $T : M_{n \times n} \rightarrow M_{n \times n}$  defined by  $T(X) = AXA^{-1}$ .
- (a) Show that  $\det(T(X)) = \det(X)$ .
- (b) Show that  $T(X)T(Y) = T(XY)$

**Answers**

1. (a) Yes, (b)  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

2. (a) Yes, because  $A$  has a pivot in every row, (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

- (c) i. True:  $\text{Col}(A) = \text{Col}(AA^T) = \mathbb{R}^3$   
 ii. False:  $\dim \text{Nul}(A) = 2, \dim \text{Nul}(AA^T) = 0$   
 iii. True:  $\dim \text{Row}(A) = \dim \text{Row}(AA^T) = 3$ ,  
 but  $\text{Row}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^5$  and  $\text{Row}(AA^T) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$

3.  $a = -2, b = 5, c = 3$

4.  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

5.  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 15 & 7 \\ -2 & 9 & 4 \\ 1 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

$U^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -3 & 15 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 9 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -4 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

6. (a)  $\frac{9000}{7}$ , (b) not enough information, (c) 0

7. (a) 15, (b)  $\frac{7}{15}$

8. (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , (b) Yes, since the rank of a zero matrix is 0. (c) No, since  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

and  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  are both in  $S$ , but their sum is not. (d) Yes.  $S$  is equal to the set of all  $3 \times 3$  matrices with determinant 0. If  $\det(A) = 0$ , then  $\det(kA) = k^3 \det(A) = k^3 \cdot 0 = 0$ . (e) No, since  $S$  is not closed under addition.

9.  $\mathcal{B} = \{1, x^3\}$

10. (a) might, (b) cannot, (c) must, (d) must, (e) must, (f) must

11. (a)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ , (b)  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

12. (a)  $(7, 10, -2)$ , (b)  $x - y - z = -1$ , (c)  $\frac{\sqrt{91}}{7}$

13. (a)  $\frac{\sqrt{754}}{2}$ , (b)  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 3 \\ 27 \end{bmatrix}$  where  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{5} \\ \frac{4}{5} \\ \frac{4}{5} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , (3)  $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{4}{5} \\ \frac{13}{5} \\ \frac{4}{5} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

14. (a)  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{286}}$ , (b)  $\mathbf{x} = t \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 7 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$  where  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

15.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

16. Let  $\text{Proj}_{\mathbf{v}}\mathbf{u} = \text{Proj}_{\mathbf{v}}\mathbf{w}$ . We need to show that  $(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}) \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ . If  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ , then we are done. If  $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$ , we write  $\left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}}\right)\mathbf{v} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}}\right)\mathbf{v}$  and conclude that  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ . So,  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ , and finally  $(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}) \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ .

17. The definition of  $T$  tells us that  $A$  is invertible.

(a)  $\det(T(X)) = \det(AXA^{-1}) = \det(A)\det(X)\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{\det(A)}{\det(A)}\det(X) = \det(X)$ .

(b)  $T(X)T(Y) = (AXA^{-1})(AYA^{-1}) = AX(A^{-1}A)YA^{-1} = AX(I)YA^{-1} = AXYA^{-1} = T(XY)$