

1. (10 pts, 2 pts each) Circle TRUE or FALSE for each statement:

- (a) If  $A$  is a matrix for which  $A^2$  is defined, then  $A$  must be a square matrix.

**TRUE**

**FALSE**

$(\underline{m \times n}) \cdot (\underline{m \times n})$  only works if  $m=n$ .

- (b) If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 5$  matrix, then the image of  $A$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

**TRUE**

**FALSE**

$T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$  is a linear function from  $\mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  
so  $\text{im}(A)$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

- (c) If  $A$  is a  $4 \times 3$  matrix and  $\text{rank}(A) = 2$ , then the system of equations  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  must have an infinite set of solutions.

**TRUE**

**FALSE**

It could have no solutions:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 1 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & ? \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (d) If  $A$  is a  $5 \times 6$  matrix and  $\text{rank}(A) = 5$ , then the system of equations  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  must have an infinite set of solutions.

**TRUE**

**FALSE**

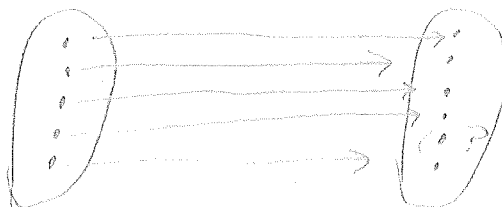
The system must be consistent,  
and it must have one free variable.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

- (e) If  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is invertible, then the image of  $T$  is  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**TRUE**

**FALSE**



A function must "hit" every element of the codomain in order to be invertible. So its image must be the whole codomain.

2. (10 pts) Compute the inverse of the matrix

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

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \leftarrow \\ \end{matrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 3 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{matrix} +R3 \\ \cdot(-1) \\ \end{matrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] +2 \cdot R1$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \right] \begin{matrix} -2 \cdot R2 \\ -7 \cdot R2 \\ \end{matrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

↑  
This is  $A^{-1}$ .

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. (10 pts) Let  $A$  be the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & -3 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Already in ref!  
Leading 1's are circled.

(a) (2 pts) What is the rank of  $A$ ?

$\boxed{3}$  (# of leading 1's)

(b) (4 pts) Completely solve the system of equations  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  where

$$\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 - 3x_2 + x_5 = 1$$

$$x_3 = -2$$

$$x_4 - x_5 = 4$$

Free variables:  $x_2$  and  $x_5$ . So let  $x_2 = s$ ,  $x_5 = t$ .

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 1 + 3s - t \\ x_2 = s \\ x_3 = -2 \\ x_4 = 4 + t \\ x_5 = t \end{cases}$$

or

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 3s - t \\ s \\ -2 \\ 4 + t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) (2 pts) Is there a vector  $\vec{b}$  for which the system  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has no solution? If so, give an example. If not, explain why.

Yes. If  $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  then there is no solution.

(d) (2 pts) Is there a vector  $\vec{b}$  for which the system  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has one unique solution? If so, give an example. If not, explain why.

No. The system has 2 free variables, so it either has no solution or infinitely many.  
Or in other words, since  $\text{rank}(A) < \#$  of columns, it may have  $\infty$  many solutions. Since  $\text{rank}(A) < \#$  of rows, it may have none.

4. (10 pts) Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear transformation for which

$$T(\vec{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad T(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Write down an expression for the matrix of the linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^3$  described as follows: first rotate all vectors in the plane by  $60^\circ$  counterclockwise, then project onto the line spanned by  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ , then apply  $T$ , and finally make the resulting vector 10 times longer. (You do not need to actually multiply the matrices.)

Rotation by  $60^\circ$  CCW:  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

Projection along  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ : Use  $\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/5 \\ -4/5 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\begin{bmatrix} u_1^2 & u_1 u_2 \\ u_1 u_2 & u_2^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9/25 & -12/25 \\ -12/25 & 16/25 \end{bmatrix}$

Matrix of  $T$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Scale by factor of 10:  $10 I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 9/25 & -12/25 \\ -12/25 & 16/25 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

5. (10 pts) Suppose  $T \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x + y - z \\ 7x + 3y - 5z \end{bmatrix}$ . What is  $\ker(T)$ ?

$$\ker(T) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid T \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = \vec{0} \right\}$$

$$T \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = \vec{0} \iff \begin{cases} 2x + y - z = 0 \\ 7x + 3y - 5z = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{So solve this system.}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 7 & 3 & -5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{matrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 7 & 3 & -5 & \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & \end{array} \right] -3R_2$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & \end{array} \right] -2R_1$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{cases} x & -2z = 0 \\ y + 3z = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 2t \\ y = -3t \\ z = t \end{cases}$$

$z$  is a free variable, so let  $z = t$ .

$$\text{So } \ker(T) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2t \\ -3t \\ t \end{bmatrix} \mid t \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$= \text{span} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Note: We can do this without the last column, because it will always be zeros after any row operations.