

1. [14 pts] In your bluebook, write the word **TRUE** if the statement is always true or write the word **FALSE** if the statement is false. No justification needed and no partial credit given.
- (a) All systems of homogeneous linear algebraic equations are consistent.
 - (b) If \mathbf{A} is an $n \times n$ matrix such that $|\mathbf{A}| = 0$, and $\vec{\mathbf{b}} \neq \vec{\mathbf{0}}$, then the system $\mathbf{A}\vec{\mathbf{x}} = \vec{\mathbf{b}}$ will always have infinitely many solutions.
 - (c) The matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is in RREF.
 - (d) $[(\mathbf{AB})^{-1}]^T = (\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{B}^T)^{-1}$
 - (e) If matrix \mathbf{A} is a 2×6 matrix and \mathbf{AB} is a 2×4 matrix, then \mathbf{B} is a 6×4 matrix.
 - (f) For any $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} , the following statements are equivalent: $\mathbf{A}\vec{\mathbf{x}} = \vec{\mathbf{b}}$ has a unique solution for any $\vec{\mathbf{b}}$, 0 is an eigenvalue of \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{A} is invertible, \mathbf{A} has n linearly independent column vectors, $|\mathbf{A}| \neq 0$.
 - (g) A set of 10 vectors in a vector space whose dimension is 9 is always linearly dependent.

SOLUTION:

- (a) **TRUE** They all have the trivial solution and perhaps nontrivial solutions as well.
- (b) **FALSE** The system may be inconsistent, having no solution.
- (c) **FALSE** The 1 in the first row, last column needs to be a zero.
- (d) **FALSE** $[(\mathbf{AB})^{-1}]^T = (\mathbf{B}^T\mathbf{A}^T)^{-1}$
- (e) **TRUE** $(2 \times 6)(6 \times 4) \rightarrow 2 \times 4$
- (f) **FALSE** All statements are equivalent except the 0 eigenvalue.
- (g) **TRUE** A set containing more vectors than the dimension of the vector space is necessarily linearly dependent.

2. [24 pts] The following problems are not related.

- (a) [6 pts] Let $\vec{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{\mathbf{w}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ k \end{bmatrix}$. For what value of k is $\vec{\mathbf{w}}$ in $\text{Span}\{\vec{\mathbf{u}}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}\}$? For this value of k , write $\vec{\mathbf{w}}$ as a linear combination of $\vec{\mathbf{u}}$ and $\vec{\mathbf{v}}$.
- (b) [8 pts] Is the set $\{7, 1 - t, 1 + 5t - t^2, \frac{1}{3}t^3 + 4t\}$ a basis for \mathbb{P}_3 ? Explain briefly using the Wronskian, if possible, to make your determination. If using the Wronskian is not possible, answer the question using another method.
- (c) [10 pts] Decide if the following subsets \mathbb{W} of the given vector space \mathbb{V} are subspaces. Assume that the standard operations of vector addition and scalar multiplication apply. Justify the correct answer completely for full credit. A simple yes/no will result in zero points.
 - i. $\mathbb{V} = \mathbb{M}_{22}$; $\mathbb{W} = \{\mathbf{A} \mid \mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{A}\}$
 - ii. $\mathbb{V} = \mathcal{C}^2(\mathbb{R})$; $\mathbb{W} = \{y(t) \mid y'' + 3y' + 4y = e^t\}$

SOLUTION:

- (a) Need to find k such that for c_1, c_2

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ k \end{bmatrix}$$

This is equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ k \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with augmented matrix} \quad \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & k \end{array} \right]$$

Converting this into RREF yields

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & k \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2^* = -1R_1 + R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 3 & k \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3^* = -3R_2 + R_3} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 9+k \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1^* = -2R_2 + R_1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 9+k \end{array} \right]$$

$k = -9$ for the system to be consistent. If that is the case, then $c_1 = 7$ and $c_2 = -3$ so that $\vec{\mathbf{w}} = 7\vec{\mathbf{u}} - 3\vec{\mathbf{v}}$

(b)

$$W[7, 1-t, 1+5t-t^2, t^3+4](t) = \begin{vmatrix} 7 & 1-t & 1+5t-t^2 & \frac{1}{3}t^3+4t \\ 0 & -1 & 5-2t & t^2+4 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 2t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 28 \neq 0$$

Since the Wronskian is nonzero for all t , the functions are linearly independent. Since the set consists of 4 (the dimension of \mathbb{P}_3) linearly independent functions, the set is indeed a basis for \mathbb{P}_3 .

(c) i. Let \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} be vectors in \mathbb{W} with $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$(p\mathbf{A} + q\mathbf{B})^T = (p\mathbf{A})^T + (q\mathbf{B})^T = p\mathbf{A}^T + q\mathbf{B}^T = p\mathbf{A} + q\mathbf{B}$$

showing that \mathbb{W} is closed under linear combinations (and thus under addition and scalar multiplication). Therefore, \mathbb{W} is a subspace of \mathbf{V} .

ii. $\vec{\mathbf{0}} \notin \mathbb{W} \implies \mathbb{W}$ is not a subspace.



3. [24 pts] The following problems are not related.

(a) [8 pts] Use Cramer's rule to find the value of y in the following system. Simplify your final answer.

$$\begin{aligned} -4x &+ 2z &= 1 \\ 2x + 2y + 3z &&= 0 \\ 3x &+ z + 2w &= -1 \\ -3x &+ 3z &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

(b) [16 pts] Let $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$.

i. Find all eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} .

ii. Find a basis for the eigenspace [*i.e.*, find the eigenvector(s)] associated with the repeated eigenvalues (algebraic multiplicity ≥ 2) you found in part i.

SOLUTION:

(a) The determinant of the coefficient matrix is

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 2(-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \left[2(-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ -3 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \right] = -4 [(-4)(3) - (-3)(2)] = 24$$

and we have

$$\mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 2(-1)^{3+4} \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ -3 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -2 \left[1(-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -3 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \right] = 2 [(2)(3) - (-3)(3)] = 30$$

Thus, $y = \frac{|\mathbf{A}_2|}{|\mathbf{A}|} = \frac{30}{24} = \frac{5}{4}$.

(b) i.

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}| &= \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (-2-\lambda)(-1)^{3+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 3 \\ 3 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = -(2+\lambda) [(1-\lambda)^2 - 9] = 0 \\ &\implies \lambda = -2; \quad (1-\lambda)^2 - 9 = 0 \implies 1-\lambda = \pm 3 \implies \lambda = 1 \mp 3 = -2, 4 \end{aligned}$$

So $\lambda = -2, 4$ with -2 having multiplicity 2 (repeated eigenvalue)

ii. Solve the system $[\mathbf{A} - (-2\mathbf{I})] \vec{v} = \vec{0}$.

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

giving $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -r \\ r \\ s \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$. Thus a basis for the eigenspace is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

4. [20 pts] The following problems are related.

(a) [5 pts] Assuming that all necessary matrices are invertible (nonsingular), show that if $\mathbf{AB} + \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A}^2 + \mathbf{B}$, then

$$\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^2)$$

(b) [15 pts] Using the result in part (a), calculate \mathbf{B} if $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

SOLUTION:

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{AB} + \mathbf{I} &= \mathbf{A}^2 + \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^2 &= \mathbf{IB} - \mathbf{AB} \\ \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^2 &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{B} \\ (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^2) &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{B} \\ (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^2) &= \mathbf{IB} \\ \mathbf{B} &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^2) \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

To find $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}$,

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_1^* = -R_1 \\ R_2^* = -R_2 \\ R_3^* = -R_3 \end{array} \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Thus

$$(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^2) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

5. [18 pts] Consider the linear system

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + 2x_2 &= 0 \\ x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + 2x_4 &= -2 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 - x_4 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

- (a) [8 pts] Using Gauss-Jordan elimination, find the RREF of the augmented matrix.
- (b) [2 pts] Find a particular solution of the system.
- (c) [4 pts] Find the general solution of the associated homogeneous system.
- (d) [1 pts] The solution set you found in part (c) is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 . What is the dimension of this solution subspace?
- (e) [3 pts] What is the general solution to the original linear system?

SOLUTION:

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] & \begin{array}{l} R_1^* = \frac{1}{2}R_1 \\ R_3^* = -1R_2 + R_3 \end{array} \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 & -3 & 3 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_2^* = -1R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3^* = \frac{1}{3}R_3 \end{array} \Rightarrow \\ \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] & \begin{array}{l} R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3 \\ R_3^* = 2R_2 + R_3 \end{array} \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_1^* = -1R_2 + R_1 \end{array} \Rightarrow \\ \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] & \text{RREF} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) From the RREF, we have $x_3 = r$ and $x_4 = s$ as free variables with $x_1 = -1 - r - s$ and $x_2 = 1 + r + s$. Choosing $r = s = 0$ a particular solution is

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}_p = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) The general solution to the associated homogeneous system is

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}_h = \begin{bmatrix} -r - s \\ r + s \\ r \\ s \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad r, s \in \mathbb{R}$$

(d) 2

(e) Using the Nonhomogeneous Principle,

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}} = \vec{\mathbf{x}}_h + \vec{\mathbf{x}}_p = r \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad r, s \in \mathbb{R}$$

