

Name. KEY

1. (rref)

Determine  $a, b$  such that the system has a unique solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solution:

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y + z &= a \\ 5x + 9y + 2z &= 3 - 3a \\ 6x + 3y + 3bz &= 2 - a \end{aligned}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 5 & 9 & 2 & 3-3a \\ 6 & 3 & 3b & 2-a \end{array} \right)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 3-8a \\ 6 & 3 & 3b & 2-a \end{array} \right) \text{ combo}(1, 2, -5)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 3-8a \\ 0 & -9 & 3b-6 & 2-7a \end{array} \right) \text{ Combo}(1, 3, -6)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 3-8a \\ 0 & 0 & 3b+21 & x \end{array} \right) \text{ combo}(2, 3, -9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 2-7a - 9(3-8a) \\ &= -25-7a + 72a \\ &= -25+65a \end{aligned}$$

Case  $3b+21=0$

Then at most 2 lead vars.

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 3-8a \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x \end{array} \right)$$

No sol for  $-25+65a \neq 0$   
and  $b = -7$

$\infty$ -many sols for  $-25+65a=0$   
and  $b = -7$

Case  $3b+21 \neq 0$

Then there are 3 lead vars and zero free vars.

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & a \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & 3-8a \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & x/(3b-21) \end{array} \right)$$

unique sol for  $b \neq -7$   
and all values of  $a$

## 2. (vector spaces)

(a) [25%] Give an example of a vector space  $V$  of matrices which has a proper subspace  $S$  of dimension five ( $\dim(S) = 5$ ). Define  $V$  and  $S$  precisely, but omit all proofs. *Proper* means *strictly smaller than*.

(b) [25%] Let  $V$  be the vector space of all column vectors  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$  and let  $S$  be the subset of  $V$  given by

the equations  $x_1 + x_2 = 0$ ,  $x_2 = x_3$ . Prove that  $S$  is a subspace of  $V$ . If you cite Edwards and Penney Theorem 2, in order to shorten details, then please state Theorem 2.

(c) [50%] Find a vector basis for the subspace of  $\mathcal{R}^4$  given by the system of equations

$$x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 = 0,$$

$$x_1 + x_2 - 3x_3 + x_4 = 0,$$

$$-2x_2 + 5x_3 = 0.$$

(a)  $V =$  data set of all  $3 \times 3$  matrices with  $\boxed{+}$  and  $\boxed{\cdot}$  defined component wise.

$S =$  subset of all linear combinations of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$

Motivated by BMP format data storage of image sensor data in a digital camera. The set  $S$  is just the first five pixels of the photo.

(b) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then the equations in matrix-vector form are  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ . Apply

Theorem 2: The set  $S = \{ \vec{x} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^3 : A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(c) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1/2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1/2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -5/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 - x_3/2 + x_4 = 0 \\ x_2 - 5x_3/2 = 0 \\ 0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$x_1 = t_1/2 - t_2$$

$$x_2 = 5t_1/2$$

$$x_3 = t_1$$

$$x_4 = t_2$$

$$\text{Basis} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 5/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

3. (independence) Do **only two** of the following.

(a) [50%] Let  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . State a test [10%] and apply it [40%] to decide

independence or dependence of the list of vectors  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}$ .

(b) [50%] State the pivot theorem [10%], then extract from the list below a largest set of independent vectors [40%].

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{e} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix},$$

(c) [50%] [If you did the two previous problems, then 100% has been obtained: skip this one!] Assume that a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $D$  has a row of zeros. Prove:

There exist independent vectors  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2$  such that  $D\mathbf{x}_1, D\mathbf{x}_2$  is a dependent set.

(a) Test: indep  $\Leftrightarrow$  determinant of  $\text{aug}(\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w})$  is not zero.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(1) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + 0 + (1)(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{Cofactor expansion along row 3}$$

$$= 3 - 3 = 0$$

Dependent

(b) Pivot Theorem: The pivot columns of  $A$  are independent. The other columns of  $A$  are linear combinations of the pivot columns.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & -1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & -4 & -2 & -6 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 & 6 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 & 6 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{pivots} = \text{col 1, col 2.}$$

$\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  are a largest indep set of cols of  $A$

(c) Choose  $\vec{x}_1 \neq \vec{0}$  a solution of  $D\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ , possible because  $\text{rank}(D) < 3$ , which means one + free vars. Choose  $\vec{x}_2 \neq \vec{0}$  orthogonal to  $\vec{x}_1$ . Then  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2$  are independent, but  $\{D\vec{x}_1, D\vec{x}_2\} = \{\vec{0}, D\vec{x}_2\}$  is a dependent set.

## 4. (determinants and elementary matrices)

(a) [50%] Assume given  $4 \times 4$  matrices  $A, B$ . Suppose  $B = E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1 A$  and  $E_1, E_2, E_3, E_4$  are elementary matrices representing respectively a swap, a combination, a swap and a multiply by  $3/2$ . Assume  $\det(B) = -1/2$ . Compute the value of  $\det(4A^3)$ .

(b) [50%] Let  $A$  be a  $5 \times 5$  matrix such that  $Ax = Eb$  has a unique solution for all column vectors  $b$  and all elementary matrices  $E$ . Prove that  $A$  has an inverse [25%] and solve for  $x$  [25%] in terms of  $A, E$  and  $b$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{a} \quad \det(4A^3) &= \det((4I)(A^3)) \\ &= \det(4I) \det(A^3) \\ &= 4^4 (\det(A))^3 \end{aligned}$$

by the product rule and  
the triangular rule.

$$\begin{aligned} \det(B) &= \det(E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1 A) \\ &= \det(E_4) \det(E_3) \det(E_2) \det(E_1) \det(A) \\ -1/2 &= (3/2)(-1)(1)(-1) \det(A) \end{aligned}$$

use given and  
results for el. mat.

$$\begin{aligned} \det(4A^3) &= 256 (\det A)^3 \\ &= 256 \left(-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3}\right)^3 \\ &= \boxed{-\frac{256}{27}} \end{aligned}$$

$\textcircled{b}$  • Choose  $\vec{b} = \vec{0}$  to show  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  has a unique solution  $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ . Then  $\text{rref}(A) = I$  and  $A$  has an inverse.

• To solve, multiply  $A\vec{x} = E\vec{b}$  by  $A^{-1}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} A^{-1}A\vec{x} &= A^{-1}E\vec{b} \\ I\vec{x} &= A^{-1}E\vec{b} \\ \vec{x} &= \boxed{A^{-1}E\vec{b}} \end{aligned}$$

## 5. (inverses and Cramer's rule)

(a) [20%] Determine all values of  $x$  for which  $A^{-1}$  exists:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2x-1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ .(b) [50%] Apply the adjugate formula for the inverse to find the value of the entry in row 1, column 4 of  $A^{-1}$ , given

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

(c) [30%] Solve for  $x$  in  $Au = b$  by Cramer's rule [rref methods not acceptable]:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a)  $A^{-1}$  exists  $\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2x-1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 3 + 4x - 2 \\ &= 1 + 4x \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{A^{-1} \text{ exists } \Leftrightarrow x \neq -1/4}$$

(b) entry in row 1 column 4 =  $\frac{\text{Cof}(A, 4, 1)}{\det(A)} = \boxed{\frac{3}{1}}$  see below

$$\text{Minor}(A, 4, 1) = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 0 + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -4 + 1 = -3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cof}(A, 4, 1) &= \boxed{3} \\ \det(A) &= (-1)(-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + (1)(1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{by Col 3 cofactor exp.} \\ &= -1 + 2 = \boxed{1} \quad \text{by visual combo + cofactor expansion} \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $x = \frac{\Delta_1}{\Delta} = \frac{-2}{4} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}$  see below

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)(2) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 4$$

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)(2) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -2$$