

Name. KEY

1. (rref)

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

$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y + z &= 1 \\ 2x + 9y + 2z &= -a \\ 3x + 3y + 3bz &= 1-a \end{aligned}$$

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

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

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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} x &= -2-a + \frac{5}{3}(-2-a) \\ &= (-6-3a-10-5a)/3 \\ &= -\frac{8}{3}(2+a) \end{aligned}$$

Case  $5(b-1)=0$

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

No sol  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a \neq -2 \\ b = 1 \end{array} \right.$  signal eq.

$\infty$ -many sol  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a = -2 \\ b = 1 \end{array} \right.$  row of zeros,  
Then 2 lead and one free var.

Case  $5(b-1) \neq 0$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & 3(b-1) & -2-a \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{x}{5(b-1)} \end{array} \right)$$

Unique sol  $b \neq 1$

Three lead vars, zero free vars.

2. (vector spaces)

(a) [25%] Give an example of a vector space  $V$  of trigonometric functions which has a proper subspace  $S$  of dimension four ( $\dim(S) = 4$ ). Define  $V$  and  $S$  precisely, including the definition of  $\boxed{+}$  and  $\boxed{\cdot}$ , 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  $x_1 + x_2 = 0$ ,  $x_2 = x_1 x_3$ . Prove that  $S$  is **not** a subspace of  $V$ .

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

$$x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + 3x_4 = 0,$$

$$x_1 + x_2 - 4x_3 + 3x_4 = 0,$$

$$-2x_2 + 6x_3 = 0.$$

(a) Choose distinct atoms  $\sin x, \sin 2x, \sin 3x, \sin 4x, \sin 5x$  and let  $V$  be the set of all linear combinations of these 5 atoms. They are independent by a Theorem, so  $\dim(V) = 5$ , with  $\boxed{+}$ :  $(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$ ,  $\boxed{\cdot}$ :  $(cf)(x) = c \cdot f(x)$ . Define  $S$  to be all linear combinations of the first 4 atoms. By independence,  $\dim(S) = 4$ .

(b) Choose  $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $x_1 + x_2 = 0$  and  $x_2 = x_1 x_3$ . But  $-\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  fails  $x_2 = x_1 x_3$  (it says  $1 = -1$ ), so  $S$  is not closed under  $\boxed{\cdot}$ , it is not a subspace.

(c)

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & -4 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 & 6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{matrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$ combo	
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{cases} x_1 = x_3 - 3x_4 = t_1 - 3t_2 \\ x_2 = 3x_3 = 3t_1 \\ x_3 = t_1 \\ x_4 = t_2 \end{cases}$	Gen Sol $\vec{x}$ .
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	combo	
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	mult	Basis = $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$\uparrow \frac{\partial \vec{x}}{\partial t_1}$        $\uparrow \frac{\partial \vec{x}}{\partial t_2}$

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

(a) [50%] Let  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . 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%].

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

(c) [50%] [If you did the two previous problems, then 100% has been obtained: skip this one!] Let

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ Prove:}$$

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: independent  $\Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(\text{aug}(\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w})) = 3$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \boxed{\text{rank} = 2 \text{ Dependent}}$$

another way, faster!  $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}$ , so cols are dependent,  $\text{rank} < 3$ .

(b) Pivot Theorem: The pivot columns of  $A$  are independent. Any other column is a linear combination of the pivot columns.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 5 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 5 \\ -1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 4 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{pivots} = \\ \text{cols } 1, 3 \end{array}$$

vectors  $\vec{a}, \vec{c}$

(c)  $\det(D) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = -\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -(10-6) - (2-6) = 0$ .

$D\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  has  $\infty$ -many sols. Choose  $\vec{x}_1 \neq \vec{0}$  with  $D\vec{x}_1 = \vec{0}$ .  
Choose  $\vec{x}_2 \neq \vec{0}$  with  $\vec{x}_1 \perp \vec{x}_2$ . Then  $\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2$  are independent.  
But  $\{D\vec{x}_1, D\vec{x}_2\} = \{0, D\vec{x}_2\}$ , so it is a dependent set.

## 4. (determinants and elementary matrices)

(a) [40%] Assume given  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $A, B$ . Suppose  $B^2 = E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1 A$  and  $E_1, E_2, E_3, E_4$  are elementary matrices representing respectively a swap, a combination, a swap and a multiply by 5. Assume  $\det(B) = -2$ . Compute the value of  $\det(-A^2)$ .

(b) [20%] Let  $A$  be a  $2 \times 2$  matrix such that  $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  has infinitely many solutions. Prove that  $A$  does not have an inverse.

(c) [40%] Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $B = \text{rref}(A)$ . Find explicit elementary matrices  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k$  such that  $\text{rref}(A) = E_k \cdots E_2 E_1 A$ . Likely  $k = 3$ , if you are efficient.

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{a} \quad \det(-A^2) &= \det(-I) \det(A^2) \\ &= \det(-I) \det(A) \det(A) \\ &= (-1)^3 (\det(A))^2 \\ \det(B^2) &= \det(E_4) \det(E_3) \det(E_2) \det(E_1) \det(A) \\ (\det(B))^2 &= (5)(-1)(1)(-1) \det(A) \\ (-2)^2 &= 5 \det(A) \\ \boxed{\det(-A^2) &= (-1)^3 \left( \frac{(-2)^2}{5} \right)^2 = -\frac{16}{25}} \end{aligned}$$

$\textcircled{b}$  To have  $\infty$ -many solutions, there must be one free variable, so  $\text{rank}(A) < 2$ . Then  $\det(A) = 0$  and  $A^{-1}$  does not exist.

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{c} \quad &\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ combo}(1, 2, -2) \quad E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ combo}(2, 3, -1) \quad E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ combo}(2, 1, -3) \quad E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{rref}(A) = E_3 E_2 E_1 A$$

$$\boxed{B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} A}$$

Use this page to start your solution. Attach extra pages as needed, then staple.

5. (inverses and Cramer's rule)

(a) [20%] Given  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2x-1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ , assume  $Ax = b$  has a unique solution for all vectors  $b$ . Find the possible values of  $x$ .

(b) [50%] Apply the adjugate formula for the inverse [no credit for rref methods] to find the value of the entry in row 2, column 3 of  $A^{-1}$ , given

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

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

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

(a)  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  has a unique sol for all  $\vec{b} \Leftrightarrow A^{-1}$  invertible  $\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$ .  
 $\det(A) = 3 + 4x - 2 = 1 + 4x$ . Ans:  $1 + 4x \neq 0$

(b) Entry in row 2, col 3 of  $A^{-1} = \frac{\text{cof}(A, 3, 2)}{\det(A)} = \frac{1}{1}$  see below  
 $\text{cof}(A, 3, 2) = (-1)^{3+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1$   
 $\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$

(c)  $z = \frac{\Delta_3}{\Delta} = \frac{-16}{4} = -4$  see below

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

$$\Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 5 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -16$$

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 $\vec{b}$  in col 3