

GIVE DETAILED EXPLANATIONS FOR YOUR ANSWERS.

On in class exams I assign four problems. Each is worth 25 points.

I try to assign problems from different topics that we covered.

Below are several problems to help you get used to my style of exam questions.

1. Consider 2×3 matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the linear transformation $T\mathbf{x} = A\mathbf{x}$ which is defined on \mathbb{R}^3 and with values in \mathbb{R}^2 . Determine whether T is injective (one-to-one). Justify your answer. If you claim that this transformation is not injective find two distinct vectors \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 in \mathbb{R}^3 such that $T\mathbf{x}_1 = T\mathbf{x}_2$. Determine whether T is surjective (onto). Justify your answer. If you claim that T is surjective then for each \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^2 find a vector \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^3 such that $T\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.

2. Consider 3×4 matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & -6 \\ 2 & -4 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the linear transformation $T\mathbf{x} = A\mathbf{x}$ which is defined on \mathbb{R}^4 and with values in \mathbb{R}^3 . Determine whether T is injective (one-to-one). Justify your answer. Determine whether T is surjective (onto). Justify your answer.

3. In this problem A is $n \times n$ matrix. Without using the Invertible Matrix Theorem give explanations for the following implications.

- (a) If the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has a solution for each \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^n , then there is an $n \times n$ matrix D such that $AD = I$. Explain why.
- (b) If there is an $n \times n$ matrix D such that $AD = I$, then the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has a solution for each \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^n . Explain why.
- (c) If there is an $n \times n$ matrix C such that $CA = I$, then the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution. Explain why.

4. This problem is about invertible matrices. Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix.

- (a) State the definition of an invertible matrix.
- (b) Prove the implication: If A is invertible, then A is row equivalent to I_n .
- (c) Prove the implication: If A is row equivalent to I_n , then A is invertible.

5. For each matrix below determine whether it is invertible or not. Explain your claim. If a matrix is invertible find its inverse.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1/2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

6. Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (a) Find A^{-1} . Prove that your answer is correct by calculating AA^{-1} .
 (b) Use the inverse A^{-1} to find x_1, x_2, x_3 such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

7. Consider the matrices $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -1 & k \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -6 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

- (a) What values of k (if any) will make A invertible?
 (b) What values of k (if any) will make AB invertible?
 (c) What values of k (if any) will make $AB = BA$?

8. Let A be an unknown 3×3 matrix. To A we perform the following row operations:

- Row 1 gets replaced by $\frac{1}{2}$ times Row 1. ($R_1 \mapsto \frac{1}{2}R_1$)
- Rows 2 and 3 are swapped ($R_2 \mapsto R_3, R_3 \mapsto R_2$)
- Row 2 gets replaced by -3 Row 2. ($R_2 \mapsto -3R_2$)
- Row 3 gets replaced by Row 3 minus 6 Row 2. ($R_3 \mapsto R_3 - 6R_2$)

The resulting matrix B is the identity matrix. What is the matrix A ?

9. Determine whether it is possible to write the matrix $M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ as a product of elementary matrices. If you claim that it is possible to write M as a product of elementary matrices, then find elementary matrices whose product is M . If you claim that it is not possible to write M as a product of elementary matrices, then justify your claim.

10. Consider the 3×5 matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & 7 & -6 \\ -2 & 4 & 1 & 4 & -7 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Row reduce the matrix A to the reduced row echelon form.
 (b) Celebrate your correct row reduction by multiplying the 3×2 matrix which consists of the pivot columns of A by 2×5 matrix which consists of nonzero rows of the reduced row echelon form of A .

- (c) Find a basis for $\text{Nul } A$.
- (d) Find a basis for $\text{Col } A$.
- (e) Express each nonpivot column of A as a linear combination of the basis for $\text{Col } A$ that you found.
- (f) Find a basis for $\text{Row } A$.
- (g) Express each row of A as a linear combination of the basis for $\text{Row } A$ that you found.