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- (1) No calculators are allowed.
- (2) No portable electronic devices.
- (3) There are 10 problems. Each problem is worth 10 points.
- (4) The score is accumulative and the maximum is 100.

1 B

2 D

3 A

4 D

5 B

6 C

7 E

8 D

9 A

10 D

1. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -3 \\ -1 & 5 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . What is the (1,2) entry  $A^{-1}$ ?

A.  $\frac{12}{55}$

B.  $\frac{6}{55}$

C.  $\frac{2}{11}$

D.  $-\frac{1}{11}$

E. 5

$$A_{21} = - \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ -2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 6$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & -3 \\ -1 & 5 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -6 + 45 + 16 = 55$$

The (1,2) entry of  $A^{-1}$  is  $\frac{6}{55}$

2. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $AB - BA$  equals

A.  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ -10 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

B.  $\begin{bmatrix} -5 & 0 \\ -10 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

C.  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 10 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$

D.  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & -10 \\ 0 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$

E.  $\begin{bmatrix} -5 & 10 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

answer: D

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 9 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB - BA = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -10 \\ 0 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

3.  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $\mathbf{b}$  is an  $m \times 1$  vector.  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a unique solution. Consider the following statements:

- (i)  $m < n$
- (ii)  $n \leq m$
- (iii) the rank of  $A < n$
- (iv) the rank of  $A \leq m$

Which **must** be true?

- A. only (ii)
- B. only (iv)
- C. only (i) and (iii)
- D. only (iii)
- E. None of the statements has to be true.

Answer: A

$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a unique solution

$\Downarrow$

$$\text{rank}(A) = n$$

So (iii) is WRONG.

$$n = \text{rank}(A) \leq \# \text{ of rows} = m$$

So (ii) is CORRECT.

Counter example for (i)

$$\begin{cases} x = 1 \\ 0 = 0 \\ 0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Counter example for (iv)

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

4. Assume that two  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$  are row equivalent. Which of the following statements is **wrong**?

- A.  $A$  and  $B$  have the same rank.
- B.  $A$  and  $B$  have the same reduced row echelon form.
- C. The homogeneous systems  $Ax = 0$  and  $Bx = 0$  have the same set of solutions.
- D. For any  $b \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , the inhomogeneous systems  $Ax = b$  and  $Bx = b$  have the same set of solutions.
- E. For any  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $C$ , the two matrices  $AC$  and  $BC$  are also row equivalent.

answer: D

Counter example for D:

$$A = I_3 \sim B = 2I_3$$

$A \sim B \Leftrightarrow A = E_1 \cdots E_k B$   $E_i$  are elementary matrices.

So  $AC = E_1 \cdots E_k BC$



$$A \sim B$$

So E is CORRECT.

5. Determine which one of the following expressions is the general solution to the inhomogeneous system of equations

$$\begin{cases} 5x_1 - 6x_2 + x_3 = 4 \\ 2x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 = 1 \\ 4x_1 - 3x_2 - x_3 = 5 \end{cases}$$

A.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

B.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

C.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

D.  $s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

E. No solution.

answer: B

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 5 & -6 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -3 & -1 & 5 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} A_{31}(-1) \\ \sim \\ A_{12}(-2) \\ A_{13}(-4) \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 & 3 \\ 0 & 9 & -9 & 9 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} M_2(\frac{1}{3}) \\ M_3(\frac{1}{9}) \\ A_{23}(-1) \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} A_{21}(3) \\ \sim \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

x            y            z

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2+s \\ 1+s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. Find all the value(s) of  $k$  such that  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2-k \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$  is in the span of  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} k \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ k+2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

- A.  $k = 1$
- B.  $k = 1, -3$
- C.  $k \neq 1, -3$
- D.  $k \neq 1$
- E.  $k = -3$

answer: C

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} k & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & k+2 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} k & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & k+2 & -1 \\ 2-2k & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (2-2k) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ k+2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow (k-1)(k+3) = 0 \Rightarrow k = 1, -3$$

When  $k \neq 1, -3$   $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} k & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & k+2 & -1 & 2-k \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & -2 \end{array} \right]$  always has a unique sol.

When  $k = 1$   $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & -2 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 \end{array} \right]$  No sol.

When  $k = -3$

$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -3 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & -1 & 5 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & -2 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -3 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & -2 \end{array} \right]$  No sol.

7. Determine all values of  $k$  so that  $\{t^2 + kt + 1, t^2 - t + 1, 2t - k\}$  is **NOT** a spanning set of  $\mathbb{P}_2 = \{\text{all polynomials of degree no more than } 2\}$ .

- A.  $k \neq 1$
- B.  $k \neq 0, -1$
- C.  $k \neq 0$
- D.  $k = 0, 1$
- E.  $k = 0, -1$

answer: E

The given set is **NOT** a spanning set of  $\mathbb{P}_2$   
if and only if

$$0 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ k & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & -k \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ k & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -k \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -k \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ k & -1 \end{vmatrix} = k(k+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 0, -1$$



8. For what values of the constant  $k$ , does the linear system

$$AX = 0, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & k & k & -k \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 & k \\ 0 & 10 & 1 & k^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

have infinitely many solutions?

- A. no value of  $k$
- B.  $k \neq 1, 3$
- C.  $k \neq 1, 2$
- D.  $k = 1, 3$
- E.  $k = 1, 2$

answer: D

$AX = 0$  has  $\infty$  many sol  $\Leftrightarrow |A| = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{vmatrix} 1 & k & k & -k \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 & k \\ 0 & 10 & 1 & k^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & k \\ 10 & 1 & k^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & k-1 \\ 8 & 1 & k^2-1 \end{vmatrix} \\ & = -1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & k-1 \\ 8 & k^2-1 \end{vmatrix} = -(2k^2 - 2 - 8k + 8) \\ & = -2(k^2 - 4k + 3) = 0 \Rightarrow k = 1, 3 \end{aligned}$$

9. Which of the following sets  $S$  are subspaces of the given vector space  $V$ ?

(i)  $S = \{A \in V : A^T = -A\}$ ,  $V = M_3(\mathbb{R}) = \{3 \times 3 \text{ matrices with real entries}\}$

(ii)  $S = \{f(t) = at^2 + bt + c : f(3) = 2\}$ ,  $V = \mathbb{P}_2 = \{\text{all polynomials of degree no more than 2}\}$

(iii)  $S = \{A \in V : Ax = 0 \text{ only has the trivial solution}\}$ ,  $V = M_4(\mathbb{R}) = \{4 \times 4 \text{ matrices with real entries}\}$

(iv)  $S = \{(x, y) \in V : y = 2x + 1\}$ ,  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$

(v)  $S = \{(x, y, z) \in V : x^2 + 4y^2 = z\}$ ,  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$

A. only (i)

B. only (i) and (iii)

C. only (i), (iii) and (iv)

D. only (ii) and (v)

E. All of the above.

answer: A

✓ (i)  $S$  is set of all skew-sym matrices of size  $3 \times 3$

For any  $A, B \in S$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T = -A - B = -(A+B)$$

$$(cA)^T = c A^T = c(-A) = -(cA)$$

(ii) zero function  $\notin S$ .

(iii)  $A = I_2$ ,  $B = -I_2 \in S$  but  $A+B = 0 \notin S$ .

(iv)  $(0, 0) \notin S$ .

(v)  $(1, 0, 1) \in S$  but  $(2, 0, 2) \notin S$ .

10. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $2 \times 2$  matrices. Which of the following statements is always true?

- A.  $(A+B)^2 = A^2 + 2AB + B^2$
- B. If  $A^2 = 0$ , then  $A = 0$ .
- C. If  $A$  is invertible, then so is  $AB$ .
- D. If  $A, B$  are both invertible, then so is  $AB$ .
- E.  $|A+B| = |A| + |B|$ .

A:  $(A+B)^2 = A^2 + AB + BA + B^2 \neq A^2 + 2AB + B^2$  if  $AB \neq BA$

B: Take  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  then  $A^2 = 0$

C: Take  $A = I_2$   $B = 0$ , then  $AB = 0$  singular

D:  $|AB| = \underset{x_0}{|A|} \underset{x_0}{|B|} \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow AB$  invertible

E: Take  $A = I_2$   $B = -I_2$

$$|A+B| = 0 \neq |A| + |B| = 2$$

