

### Question 1

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $A^{-1}$  or prove that it does not exist.

(10)

$$[A | I] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -3 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -4 & -4 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -4 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 3/2 & 1/2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 7 & -9/2 & -3/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 4 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 3/2 & 1/2 \end{array} \right] = [I | A^{-1}]$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -9/2 & -3/2 \\ 4 & -2 & -1 \\ -2 & 3/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Question 2

- (a) If  $A$  is a square matrix with  $|A| = 10$ , compute  $|A^T|$  (2)

$$|A^T| = |A| = 10$$

- (b) If  $A$  is a square matrix with  $|A| = 3$ , compute  $|A^{-2}|$  (2)

$$|A^{-2}| = \frac{1}{|A|^2} = \frac{1}{9}$$

(c) Use Cramer's rule to find  $x_2$  if  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . (6)

$$x_2 = \frac{|A_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}|}{|A|}$$

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

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

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

(using col. 2)

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

(using col. 1)

$$= \frac{-2(-5)}{-13 - 2(-9)} = \frac{10}{5} = \underline{\underline{2}}$$

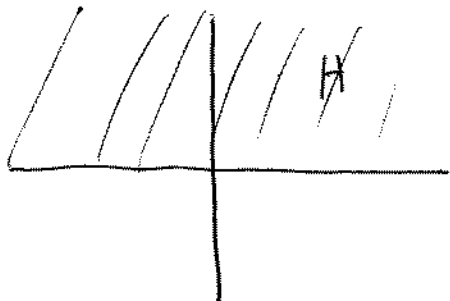
### Question 3

For each of the following, draw a sketch of  $H$  and explain either why it is or is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(a)  $H = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y \geq 0\}$

NO

(4)

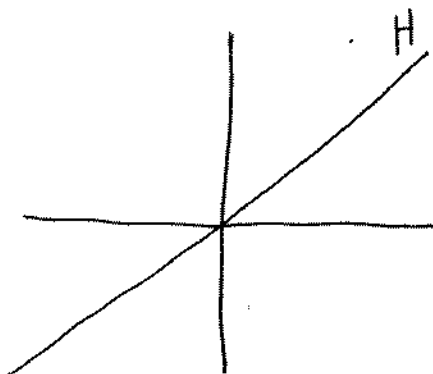


NOT closed under  
scalar multiplication

(b)  $H = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y = x\}$

YES

(4)

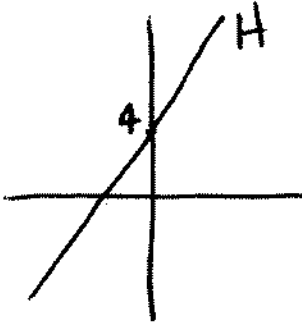


$$H = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(c)  $H = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y = 3x + 4\}$

NO

(4)



NOT closed under  
either + or .

## Question 4

Let  $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be a set of vectors in a vector space  $V$ . Complete the definitions:

(a) The vectors in  $S$  are **linearly independent** if (3)

(b) The set  $S$  **generates**  $V$  if (3)

(c) The set  $S$  is a **basis** for  $V$  if (3)

## Question 5

Given that the reduced echelon form of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 & -4 & 2 & 5 \\ -2 & 4 & -1 & -7 & 6 & -9 \\ 1 & -2 & 4 & -7 & 4 & 11 \\ -3 & 6 & -6 & 3 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{is} \quad \tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 5 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

write down a basis for

(a)  $\text{Col}(\tilde{A})$

(5)

Take columns in  $\tilde{A}$  with pivots:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(b)  $\text{Col}(A)$ .

(5)

Take columns in  $A$  corresponding to  
pivot columns in  $\tilde{A}$  (i.e. col's 1, 3, 6) :

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -9 \\ 11 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

## Question 6

Let  $H$  be the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  defined by

$$H = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \mid x_1 - 2x_2 + 7x_3 + x_4 = 0 \text{ and } x_1 + 3x_3 = 0\}.$$

- (a) Find a  $2 \times 4$  matrix  $A$  such that  $H = \text{Nul}(A)$  (3)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 7 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Then  $AX=0$  is equivalent to

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 - 2x_2 + 7x_3 + x_4 = 0 \\ x_1 + 3x_3 = 0 \end{array} \right\} )$$

(b) Find a basis for  $H$ .

(7)

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 7 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 7 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

So solutions to  $Ax=0$  satisfy:  $\begin{cases} x_2 = 2x_3 + \frac{1}{2}x_4 \\ x_1 = -3x_3 \end{cases}$

$$\text{ie } X = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence a basis for  $\text{Nul}(A)$  is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

## Question 7

Indicate True (T) or false (F) [no reasons need be given].

(a) If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix and the equation  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  has no non-trivial solutions, then  $A$  is invertible.

(T)

(b) If  $V = \text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ , then  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis for  $V$ .

(F)

(c) The columns of a  $9 \times 11$  matrix can never form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^9$ .

(T)

(d) Let  $W$  denote the set of all upper triangular  $3 \times 3$  matrices, and let  $\text{Mat}(3, 3)$  denote the set of all  $3 \times 3$  matrices. Then, using the usual rules for matrix addition and scalar multiplication,  $\text{Mat}(3, 3)$  is a vector space and  $W$  is a subspace of  $\text{mat}(3, 3)$ .

(T)

(e) If  $A$  and  $B$  are invertible  $5 \times 5$  matrices then so is  $AB$ .

(T)

(f) If  $A$  and  $B$  are both  $9 \times 9$  matrices then  $\det(A + B) = \det(A) + \det(B)$ .

(F)

(g) Switching two rows in an  $n \times n$  matrix has no affect of the determinant of the matrix.

(F)

(h) Row operations do not change the column space of a matrix.

(F)