

1. (6pts) For the matrices  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  find the following expressions, if they are defined:

a)  $A^2C$

b)  $BB^T$

c)  $2C - BA$

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

a)  $A^2$  is not defined  $(3 \times 2)(3 \times 2)$

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

b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 50 & -12 \\ -12 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 10 \\ -7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -10 & -8 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. (6pts) The matrix  $A$  is given below.

a) Find the inverse of  $A$ .

b) Use the inverse to effortlessly solve the system below.

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

$$2x_1 + 4x_2 = 1$$

$$7x_1 - x_2 = 3$$

a)  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{2(-1) - 7 \cdot 4} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -4 \\ -7 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{1}{30} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -4 \\ -7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \frac{1}{30} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 7 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) solution is  $A^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{30} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 7 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \frac{1}{30} \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13/30 \\ 1/30 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. (4pts) Find the cosine of the angle between the vectors  $\mathbf{a} = (1, -1, 3, 4)$  and  $\mathbf{b} = (0, 4, 5, 2)$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{\|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\|} = \frac{0 - 4 + 15 + 8}{\sqrt{1+1+9+16} \cdot \sqrt{0+16+25+4}}$$

$$= \frac{19}{\sqrt{27} \sqrt{45}}$$

4. (9pts) A system of linear equations is given below.

a) Use the Gauss-Jordan method (that is, transform the augmented matrix to reduced row-echelon form) in order to solve the system.

b) Write the solution in vector form as well.

c) Describe the set of points in  $\mathbf{R}^4$  that the solution set represents.

$$\begin{array}{rccccrcr} 3x_1 & +x_2 & & +13x_4 & = & 11 & \\ & -x_2 & -x_3 & -6x_4 & = & -1 & \\ 2x_1 & +2x_2 & +x_3 & +17x_4 & = & 9 & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (-1) \\ (-1) \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 3 & 1 & 0 & 13 & 11 & \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -6 & -1 & \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 17 & 9 & \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} (-2) \\ (-1) \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -1 & -1 & -4 & 2 & \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -6 & -1 & \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 17 & 9 & \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (-4) \\ (-4) \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -1 & -1 & -4 & 2 & \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & -6 & -1 & \\ 0 & 4 & 3 & 25 & 5 & \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} (-1) \\ (-1) \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 3 & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 6 & 1 & \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 & \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} (-1) \\ 3 \text{rd row} \cdot (-1) \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 7 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} x_4 = t \\ x_1 = 3 - 2t \\ x_2 = 2 - 7t \\ x_3 = -1 + t \\ x_4 = t \end{array}$$

b) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -7 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

c) Solution is a line  
in  $\mathbf{R}^4$ .

5. (5pts) Below is the augmented matrix of a system of linear equations. Determine the  $c$ 's for which the system has: a) one solution, b) infinitely many solutions, c) no solutions. (Note: no row operations are needed.)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 5+c \\ 0 & 1 & -17 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & c^2-4c & c-4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Suppose } c^2-4c=0 \\ c(c-4)=0 \\ c=0 \text{ or } c=4 \end{array}$$

If  $c=4$ , last row is zeroes, may be dropped, get infinitely many solutions

$c=0$ , last row is  $[0 \ 0 \ 0 \ -4]$ , inconsistent system

If  $c \neq 0, 4$ , may divide by  $c^2-4c$  to get last row  $[0 \ 0 \ 1 \ \frac{1}{c}]$   
— one solution

6. (3pts) The matrix  $B$  was obtained by applying a row operation to matrix  $A$ . Find the elementary matrix  $E$  so that  $EA = B$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 7 & -7 \\ 1 & -6 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -17 & 9 \\ 1 & -6 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

add second row  $\cdot 4$  to first row

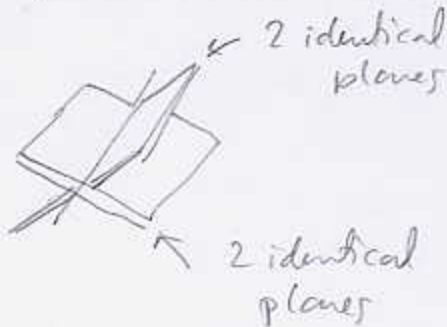
7. (3pts) Find a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $B$  so that  $B \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3a & 3b \\ 5a & 5b \end{bmatrix}$  for every  $2 \times 2$  matrix.

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{if not obvious, try} \\ \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3a & 3b \\ 5a & 5b \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

$x a + y c = 3a$   
 $x b + y d = 3b$   
 $z a + w c = 5a$   
 $z b + w d = 5b$

may guess:  
 $x=3, y=0$   
 $z=5, w=0$

8. (4pts) Suppose we have a system with 4 equations in 3 unknowns. Every equation represents a plane  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Draw one example of a 4-plane arrangement for each of the following situations: a) the system has no solution b) the solution is a line in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .



9. (10pts) Are the following statements always true or sometimes false? Justify your answer by giving a logical argument or a counterexample.

a) If  $\mathbf{u}$  is orthogonal to  $\mathbf{v}$ , then  $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2$

b) If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 5$  matrix with at least 2 non-zero entries, then the solution set of the linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  always has at most 3 parameters.

c) If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix and  $A^{17} = I$ , then  $A$  is invertible.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{a) } \|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\|^2 = (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \cdot (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = \|\vec{u}\|^2 + \underbrace{2\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}_{=0} + \|\vec{v}\|^2 \\ \text{true } \|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\|^2 = (\vec{u} - \vec{v}) \cdot (\vec{u} - \vec{v}) = \|\vec{u}\|^2 - \underbrace{2\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}_{=0} + \|\vec{v}\|^2 \end{array} \right\} \text{ are equal}$$

b) False  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 0 \end{bmatrix}$  has four parameters

c) True.  $A \cdot A^{16} = I = A^{16} \cdot A$   
 so  $A^{16}$  is its inverse

**Bonus.** (5pts) Use a linear system to show that the vector  $(-2, 25, 11)$  is a linear combination of vectors  $(2, 1, 3)$  and  $(3, -5, 1)$  and find the coefficients that realize this linear combination.

$$(-2, 25, 11) = x_1(2, 1, 3) + x_2(3, -5, 1)$$

$$= (2x_1 + 3x_2, x_1 - 5x_2, 3x_1 + x_2)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2x_1 + 3x_2 = -2 \\ x_1 - 5x_2 = 25 \\ 3x_1 + x_2 = 11 \end{array} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 1 & -5 & 25 \\ 3 & 1 & 11 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -5 & 25 \\ 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 & 11 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \cdot (-2) \\ \cdot (-2) \\ \cdot (-3) \end{array} \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -5 & 25 \\ 0 & 13 & -52 \\ 0 & 16 & -64 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} /13 \\ /16 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -5 & 25 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \cdot (-1) \\ \cdot (-1) \\ \text{drop} \end{array} \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 = 5 \\ x_2 = -4 \end{array}$$