

1. [2360/030922 (10 pts)] Given the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

write the word TRUE or FALSE as appropriate. No work need be shown, no work will be graded and no partial credit will be given.

- (a)  $CB = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  (b)  $\text{Tr } B^T A^T = 2$  (c)  $A^T A = A A^T$  (d)  $\sum_j C^T C = 10$  (e)  $AB$   $A^T B^T$  is not defined

SOLUTION:

- (a) **FALSE**  $CB = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$
- (b) **TRUE**  $\text{Tr } B^T A^T = \text{Tr } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 15 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \text{Tr } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 15 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2 + 1 + 1 = 2$
- (c) **FALSE**  $A^T A$  is  $(2 \ 3)(3 \ 2) = 2 \ 2$  whereas  $A A^T$  is  $(3 \ 2)(2 \ 3) = 3 \ 3$  so they cannot be equal
- (d) **FALSE**  $\sum_j C^T C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 16 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = AA$

We need to find constants  $c_1; c_2; c_3$  such that  $c_1 \neq$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^T A \vec{x} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \\
 A^T A \vec{x} &= A^T A \vec{x} \quad \text{Note: } A^T A^T = I \text{ and } IA = A \\
 A \vec{x} &= A^T A \vec{x} \\
 A^{-1} A \vec{x} &= A^{-1} A^T A \vec{x} \quad \text{Note: } A^{-1} A = I \text{ and } I \vec{x} = \vec{x} \\
 \vec{x} &= A^{-1} A^T A \vec{x} \quad \text{Note: } A^T A^{-1} = A^{-1 T} \\
 \vec{x} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \\
 \vec{x} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 15 & 10 \\ 2 & 10 & 4 \\ 5 & 13 & 18 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

5. [2360/030922 (12 pts)] Determine if each of the following sets of vectors forms a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Justify your answers.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad & \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 \text{(b)} \quad & \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

SOLUTION:

Note that the dimension of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is 3 so a basis consists of 3 linearly independent vectors.

- (a) The set contains only 2 vectors and thus cannot form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  regardless of the linear dependence or independence of the vectors in the set.
- (b) Three vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  can potentially be a basis if they are linearly independent. To check for this, we need to see if the only solution to

$$c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 15 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 8 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

is the trivial solution. The determinant of the coefficient matrix is

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1(1-16) - 2(12) + 2(2) = -15 - 20 + 4 = -31 \neq 0$$

implying that the system has nontrivial solutions, further implying that the vectors are linearly dependent and thus cannot form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

6. [2360/030922 (24 pts)] The following parts are unrelated.

$$\text{(a) (12 pts) Find the RREF of } A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 9 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 & 15 \\ 3 & 11 & 5 & 35 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) (12 pts) We need to solve the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ . After a number of elementary row operations, the augmented matrix for the system is

$$\begin{array}{cccccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 & 3 & \\ 6 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 2 & 4 & 7 & \\ 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 5 & \\ & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & & & 0 \end{array}$$

- (10 pts) Use this and the Nonhomogeneous Principle to find the solution to the original system.
- (2 pts) Find the dimension of the solution space of the original associated homogeneous system,  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ . Hint: You have the information you need from part (i); very little additional work is required.

SOLUTION:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 & 3 & \\ 4 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 2 & 4 & 7 & \\ 3 & 11 & 5 & 3 & 5 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 8 \end{array} \begin{array}{l} R_2 = 1R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 = 3R_1 + R_3 \end{array} \begin{array}{cccccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 & 3 & \\ 4 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 2 & 4 & 7 & \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 8 & 5 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 8 \end{array} \begin{array}{l} R_3 = R_2 + R_3 \\ R_2 = \frac{1}{2}R_2 \end{array} \begin{array}{cccccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 & 3 & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \begin{array}{l} R_1 = 3R_2 + R_1 \end{array} \begin{array}{cccccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 & 3 & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

- Pivot columns correspond to  $x_1, x_2, x_4$  so these are basic variables with  $x_3$  and  $x_5$ , corresponding to the nonpivot columns, being free variables. Setting  $x_3 = s$  and  $x_5 = t$ , solutions have the form

$$\begin{array}{l} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{array} = \begin{array}{l} 2 \\ 4 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{array} + \begin{array}{l} 3 \\ 1 \\ 5 \\ 3 \\ t \end{array} s + \begin{array}{l} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{array} t = \begin{array}{l} 2 \\ 4 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{array} + s \begin{array}{l} 3 \\ 1 \\ 5 \\ 3 \\ t \end{array} + t \begin{array}{l} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{array} \quad \text{where } s, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$= \mathbf{x}_p + \mathbf{x}_h$$

- A basis for the solution space of the associated homogeneous system is  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 5 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ , containing two linearly independent vectors so its dimension is 2.

7. [2360/030922 (14 pts)] Determine if the subsets,  $W$ , are subspaces of the given vector spaces,  $V$ .

- (7 pts)  $V = M_{22}$ ;  $W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & k \\ k & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid k \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ ;  $A^T = A$ , the set of all matrices of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & k \\ k & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  where  $k$  is a real number.
- (7 pts)  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$ ;  $W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} p+q \\ r \\ s \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid p, q, r, s \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } s = 0 \right\}$

SOLUTION:

- Clearly  $\mathbf{0} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in W$ . Let  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ u & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in W$  and  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & v \\ v & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in W$  and  $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$p\mathbf{u} + q\mathbf{v} = p \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ u & 0 \end{pmatrix} + q \begin{pmatrix} 0 & v \\ v & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & pu + qv \\ pu + qv & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (pu + qv) \\ (pu + qv) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in W$$

since

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & pu + qv \\ pu + qv & 0 \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (pu + qv) \\ (pu + qv) & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & pu + qv \\ pu + qv & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The set is closed under linear combinations and thus is a subspace.

Alternatively, let  $A, B \in W$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $C = A + \lambda B$ : Then

$$C^T = (A + \lambda B)^T = A^T + \lambda B^T = A + \lambda B = C$$

Therefore  $C \in W$ , so by the Vector Subspace Theorem,  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

(b) Let  $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ p+q \\ r \\ s \end{pmatrix} \in W$  with  $s > 0$ . Then  $-\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -p-q \\ -r \\ -s \end{pmatrix} \notin W$  since  $-s < 0$ . This implies that  $W$  is not closed under scalar multiplication and thus is not a subspace.