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- Question 8 is a bonus proof question. You can get 2 extra points.
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Good luck! Bonne Chance!

1. (3 points) Answer the following questions.

(a) Suppose a row-echelon form of a 5×7 matrix A has exactly 3 leading 1's. If $AX = B$ is consistent, the general solution will depend on how many parameters?

My answer: _____

(b) (1 point) A homogeneous linear system has 4 equations and 5 variables. Does it have infinitely many solutions?

My answer: _____

(c) (1 point) A consistent linear system $AX = B$ has 4 equations and 5 variables. How many parameters are possible in the general solution if one row of the augmented matrix of $AX = B$ is a multiple of another row and $A \neq 0$?

My answer: _____

2. (3 points) Let A be an $n \times n$ -matrix. Give 3 conditions that are equivalent but different from the condition

“The homogeneous linear system $AX = 0$ has a nontrivial solution.”

(I)

(II)

(III)

3. (3 points) Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices. True or false?

(a) If $A \neq 0$ then A is invertible.

My answer: _____

(b) If $A^2 = 2I_n$ then A is invertible.

My answer: _____

(c) If A and B are invertible, then AB is invertible and its inverse is $(AB)^{-1} = A^{-1}B^{-1}$.

My answer: _____

4. (a) (1 point) Draw the directed graph whose adjacency matrix is

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

(number the vertices 1, 2, 3, 4)

(b) (2 points) In this graph there are no paths of length 2 from any vertex to the vertex 2. How can this be explained in terms of matrix multiplication?

5. (4 points) Find A if

$$\left(2A^T + \begin{bmatrix} 14-i & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}\right)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -i & 8i \\ 2i & 1-16i \end{bmatrix}.$$

6. (8 points) Consider the system of linear equations

$$\begin{aligned}(a + 5)x + 12y &= 4 \\ x + (2 - a)y &= 1\end{aligned}$$

where a is a real parameter. Find the conditions on a , so that the system has

- (i) no solution,
- (ii) infinitely many solutions, and
- (iii) a unique solution.

In case (ii) write down all solutions.

(Distribution of points: row reduction 3 points, 1 point for each of the 3 cases, solutions in (ii): 2 points.)

7. (8 points) Find the inverse of the matrix

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

Check your answer by calculating $AA^{-1} = I_3$. (Hint: A^{-1} is a matrix in which all entries are integers.)

8. (2 bonus points) Let A be an $m \times n$ -matrix and B an $n \times p$ -matrix. Prove that $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$.