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MAT 1341C: Introduction to Linear Algebra

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Test 1

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- The table below is for the TA. Do not write in it.
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- Read each question carefully, and answer all questions in the space provided after each question. For questions 4 and 5 you may use the back of pages if necessary, but be sure to indicate to the marker that you have done so.
- No part marks will be given for questions 1 – 3.
- Question 6 is a bonus definition-proof question. You can get 2 extra points.
- No books or notes are allowed. **Calculators, cell phones or any electronic devices are not permitted.**

Good luck! Bonne chance!

- (1) (a) (1 pt) A linear system with 4 variables and 5 equations always has infinitely many solutions. True or false? (No justification required)

My answer: _____

- (b) (1 pt) If the linear system $AX = B$ has no solution, any row-echelon form of A has a row of zeros. True or false? (No justification required)

My answer: _____

- (c) (1 pt) If the linear system has 5 equations and 4 variables, the rank of the augmented matrix is at most (no justification required):

My answer: _____

- (d) (1 pt) We consider the homogeneous linear system $AX = 0$. If a row-echelon form of A has a row of zeros, the system has a non-trivial solution. True or false? (No justification required)

My answer: _____

(2) (a) (1 pt) Let α be the **last digit** of your student number. Find the matrix A if

$$\left(2A^T + \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}\right)^T = 4 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

My answer: _____

(b) (1 pt) If A is a 3×7 matrix, then A and its transpose A^T have the same main diagonal. True or false?

My answer: _____

(c) (1 pt) Let A be a $m \times n$ matrix and let X be a n -column vector. If AX has a zero entry, then A has a row of zeros. True or false?

My answer: _____

(d) (1 pt) Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the reflection in the y -axis. The standard matrix of this linear transformation is:

My answer: _____

(3) (a) (1 pt) Consider the following matrices :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -5 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & -3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Which one is or which ones are in reduced row-echelon form?

My answer: _____

(b) (3 pts) Complete the theorem below by stating 3 conditions which are equivalent to, but not the same as the condition in (a) of the theorem.

Theorem. For a $n \times n$ matrix A the following conditions are equivalent :

(a) A is invertible.

(b)

(c)

(d)

Remark : The theorem stated in class had more equivalent conditions. But you are only asked to list 3 of them.

(4) For the system of linear equations

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y + 4z &= 2 \\2x + 7y + 8z &= -2 \\x + ay + a^2z &= a\end{aligned}$$

- (a) (6 pts) determine the values of a for which the system has
- (i) no solution,
 - (ii) infinitely many solutions,
 - (iii) a unique solution.
- (b) (2 pts) In case (ii) above describe give all solutions.

- (5) (a) (6 pts) In the matrix below **replace β with the second-last digit of your student number** and find its inverse:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 & \beta \\ 2 & 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) (2 pts) Check your answer by verifying $AA^{-1} = I_3$.

- (6) (2 bonus points) (a) Give the definition for a linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$.
- (b) Let A be an $n \times m$ matrix. Show that the transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, given by $T(X) = AX$ is linear.