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(10 pts)

1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & -2 & 4 & 2 & -6 \\ -4 & -8 & -3 & 6 & 3 & -2 \\ 6 & 12 & 1 & -2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ The } rref(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Write the solutions to the following system of linear equations in parametric vector form:

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 &+ 4x_2 - 2x_3 + 4x_4 + 2x_5 = -6 \\ -4x_1 &- 8x_2 - 3x_3 + 6x_4 + 3x_5 = -2 \\ 6x_1 &+ 12x_2 + x_3 - 2x_4 + 3x_5 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

(10 pts)

2. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find  $\det(A)$ .

(10 pts)

3. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -5 & 6 & -5 \\ 2 & 4 & -6 & 0 & 4 \\ 4 & 7 & -11 & 6 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -6 & 9 \\ 4 & 8 & -12 & 0 & 12 \end{bmatrix}, \text{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Find a basis for  $\text{Col}(A)$
- Find a basis for  $\text{Nul}(A)$ .
- What is the rank of  $A$
- What is the dimension of the null space of  $A$ .

(15 pts)

4. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -4 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ .
- (b) Find the eigenvalues of  $A$ . NOTE: The eigenvalues are integers between 0 and 10.

(c) Let

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

Find a basis for the eigenspace of  $B$  associated with the eigenvalue  $\lambda = 3$

(15 pts)

5. Justify your answer for each of the following.

- (a) If  $A$  has more columns than rows, can the columns of  $A$  be linearly independent?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- (b) If  $A$  is a  $5 \times 5$  matrix and the rank of  $A$  is 5, is  $\det(A) = 0$ ?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- (c) Do six linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^9$  span a subspace of dimension six?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- (d) If  $A, B,$  and  $C$  are  $n \times n$  matrices and  $AB = AC$ , must  $B = C$ ?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- (e) Let  $u, v$  and  $w$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . If  $u$  is orthogonal to  $v$  and  $v$  is orthogonal to  $w$ , must  $u$  be orthogonal to  $w$ ?

- (5 pts) 6. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $5 \times 5$  matrices such that  $\det(A) = 3$  and  $\det(B) = 2$ . Find each of the following determinants, or indicate that it cannot be found from the information given.
- (a)  $\det(A^3)$
  - (b)  $\det(2A)$
  - (c)  $\det(BA)$
  - (d)  $\det(A + B)$
  - (e)  $\det(B^{-1})$
- (5 pts) 7. Suppose that  $A$  is matrix with  $\text{rank}(A) = 3$ ,  $\dim \text{Nul}(A) = 2$ , and such that the row reduced echelon form of  $A$  has one row of zeros. How many rows does  $A$  have? How many columns does  $A$  have?
- (5 pts) 8. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times n$  matrices such that  $B$  is invertible. Prove that  $\det(B^{-1}AB) = \det(A)$ .
- (5 pts) 9. Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be an eigenvector of both the  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ . Show that  $x$  is an eigenvector of the matrix  $AB$ .