

Exam 1 Practice Problem Answers

$$\textcircled{1} \quad a) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 & 8 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 6 & -2 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b) \quad \text{To solve } A\vec{x} = \vec{b}: \quad \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 5 & -3 & 8 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & -2 & 8 & 4 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & -3 & 8 & 4 \\ 6 & -2 & 8 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -8 & 8 & 4 \\ 0 & -8 & 8 & 4 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{So: } \begin{aligned} x_1 &= \frac{1}{2} - x_3 \\ x_2 &= -\frac{1}{2} + x_3 \end{aligned} \quad \text{ie } \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}$$

$$c) \quad \text{Same reduction for } A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \text{ would give } \boxed{\vec{x} = t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}$$

d) Both S_1 and S_2 are lines. They are parallel to one another, related by translation by the vector

$$\vec{p} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ a) } AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 12 & 3 \\ 0 & -8 & 12 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BC = \text{not defined}$$

$$AC = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 & 2 \\ 10 & 8 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) Cols. of A are lin indep (2 vectors that aren't proportional)
Cols of B are not lin indep (3 vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 , $3 > 2$)

c) Cols. of A do not span \mathbb{R}^3 (2 vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 , $2 < 3$)
Cols. of C do span \mathbb{R}^2 (2 pivots)

$$\textcircled{3} \text{ a) RREF of } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) Yes, A is invertible (it has 5 pivots)

c) $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ is equivalent to $\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{b}$
so Yes, it has a unique solution

④ a) Yes, $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{12-6} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -6 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & -1 \\ -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

b) No, B has only 2 pivots

c) No, BC is not invertible (because B is not invertible)

⑤ a) Yes (a set of 1 nonzero vector is always lin indep)

b) Yes (\vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 are not proportional)

c) No (5 vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 , $5 > 3$)

d) $\vec{v}_3 - \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ $\vec{v}_2 - \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ so $\vec{v}_3 - \vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_2 - \vec{v}_1$

so $\vec{v}_1 - 2\vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3 = \vec{0}$, not lin indep

e) No ($2(\vec{v}_5 - \vec{v}_4) = \vec{v}_4 - \vec{v}_2$ so $\vec{v}_2 - 3\vec{v}_4 + 2\vec{v}_5 = \vec{0}$)

⑥ a) $\vec{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\vec{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$

b) $\vec{x}_{100} = A^{100} \vec{x}_0$

c) $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{8-7} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -7 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -7 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$\vec{x}_4 = A \vec{x}_3$

$$\text{so } \vec{x}_3 = A^{-1} \vec{x}_4$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -7 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}_4 \quad (\text{yes})$$

⑦ a) False $((AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1})$

b) False (e.g. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{b}$ is consistent for $\vec{b} = \vec{0}$ but not for any other \vec{b})

c) True (always has the trivial solution)

d) True (exactly one solⁿ if no free variables, otherwise infinitely many solⁿs)

e) False (e.g. $\begin{matrix} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 2 \end{matrix}$)

f) True (if $x_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{v}_n = \vec{0}$ then also $x_1 T(\vec{v}_1) + \dots + x_n T(\vec{v}_n) = \vec{0}$)

g) False (e.g. $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$: $\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$ lin indep but $\left\{T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right)\right\} = \left\{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$ isn't)

h) True (if it has nontriv. sol. then it has a free variable)

i) True (proved in lecture)

j) True ($-4(c\vec{x}) = c(-4\vec{x})$, and $-4(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = -4\vec{x} + -4\vec{y}$)

k) False ($T(\vec{0}) \neq \vec{0}$)

l) True (there's a pivot in every row)

m) False (there's a pivot in every column)