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1. (24 points) Indicate whether the given statement is true or false (1 pts) and give justification as to why it is true or false(2 pts).

a) [4 pts] If  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^8$  and  $\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_7\}$  is a basis for  $S$ , then for any  $\vec{v} \notin S$ ,  $\text{span}\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_7, \vec{v}\} = \mathbb{R}^8$ .

TRUE. If  $\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_7\}$  is a basis for  $S$ , then  $\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_7\}$  is linearly independent. Since  $\vec{v} \notin S$ ,  $\vec{v}$  is not in the span of the  $\vec{u}_i$ , which means that  $\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_7, \vec{v}\}$  is a linearly independent set in  $\mathbb{R}^8$ , hence spans  $\mathbb{R}^8$ .

b) [4 pts] Let  $B_1, B_2$ , and  $B_3$  be bases for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $C_1$  is the change of basis matrix going from  $B_1$  to  $B_2$ , and  $C_2$  is the change of basis matrix going from  $B_2$  to  $B_3$ , then  $C_2^{-1}C_1^{-1}$  is the change of basis matrix going from  $B_3$  to  $B_1$ .

FALSE. If  $C_1$  is the change of basis matrix going from  $B_1$  to  $B_2$ , and  $C_2$  is the change of basis matrix going from  $B_2$  to  $B_3$ , then  $C_2C_1$  is the change of basis matrix going from  $B_1$  to  $B_3$ , hence its inverse goes from  $B_3$  to  $B_1$ . By shoes and socks, the inverse is given by  $(C_2C_1)^{-1} = C_1^{-1}C_2^{-1}$ .

c) [4 pts] If  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^9$ ,  $\dim(W) = 3$ , and  $T : \mathbb{R}^9 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^6$  is a linear transformation such that  $\text{Ker}(T)=W$ , then  $T$  must be onto.

TRUE. By the rank-nullity theorem, we know that  $\dim(\text{range}(T))+\dim(\text{ker}(T))=9$ . Since  $\text{ker}(T)=W$  and  $\dim(W) = 3$ ,  $\dim(\text{ker}(T))= 3$ . This means that  $\dim(\text{range}(T))+3 = 9$  which implies that  $\dim(\text{range}(T))= 6$ . Since the codomain is  $\mathbb{R}^6$ ,  $\dim(\text{range}(T))= 6$  implies that  $T$  is onto.

Give an example of each of the following. If it is not possible write “NOT POSSIBLE”, and **give justification as to why**.

g) [2 pt] An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A \neq I_2$  such that  $A^{2018} = I_2$ , but  $A^k \neq I_2$  for all  $k < 2018$ .

Take a rotation matrix for  $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{2018}$ , this looks like

$$C_{\frac{2\pi}{2018}} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{2018}\right) & -\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{2018}\right) \\ \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{2018}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{2018}\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

Since rotating through an angle of  $\frac{2\pi}{2018}$ , 2018 times will get you back where you started,

$$\left(C_{\frac{2\pi}{2018}}\right)^{2018} = I_2. \text{ Note that one can also just say } A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } x^{2018} = 1.$$

h) [2 pt] A linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $\text{range}(T) = \ker(T)$ .

Recall from class that when you look at a  $2 \times 2$  matrix, the columns are reading off the image of the standard basis vectors. By rank-nullity,  $\dim(\text{range}(T)) + \dim(\ker(T)) = 2$ , so  $\text{range}(T)$  and  $\ker(T)$  must both be 1-dimensional. Lets pick a subspace and make it work. Picking the  $x$  or  $y$  axis will be easiest so lets pick the subspace to be  $\text{span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$ , the  $x$ -axis. If I want the range

AND kernel to be this subspace, I must send  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  to  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , to get the kernel. Moreover, I must

send the other vector to  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , to get the range. The matrix that does this is  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . To see it more explicitly, reading off from the columns of the matrix shows that  $e_1$  will go to the zero vector, and  $e_2$  will go to  $e_1$  (because column 2 of the matrix is  $e_1$ ). Now looking at any arbitrary vector, we can see that any vector of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  will go to the zero vector, and any vector of

the form  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ b \end{bmatrix}$  will go to  $\begin{bmatrix} b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . This means that anything on the  $x$ -axis goes to zero and anything

on the  $y$ -axis goes to the  $x$ -axis, which is the same as  $\ker(T) = \text{range}(T) = \text{span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$ . Note:

There are certainly other choices that work and just writing a matrix that works is sufficient for full credit.

i) [2 pts] A basis  $B$  for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  such that every vector in the basis lies in the set  $\left\{\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} : a + b + 2c = 0\right\}$

NOT POSSIBLE. The set  $\left\{\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} : a + b + 2c = 0\right\}$  forms a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . If this set were a basis then it would imply that a plane spans  $\mathbb{R}^2$  but a plane can never span all of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

2. (10 points) Consider the matrix  $A$ , and its reduced echelon form below

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -6 & 14 & 4 & 18 \\ -1 & 6 & -19 & 4 & -6 \\ -2 & 7 & -18 & 1 & -11 \\ 3 & -8 & 17 & 3 & 18 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

a) [3 pts] Find a basis for  $\text{Col}(A)$ , the column space of  $A$ .

By recipe 2, the pivot columns in the reduced echelon form occur in columns 1, 2 and 4, so looking back at matrix  $A$ , we have that

$$B_{\text{col}(A)} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

b) [3 pts] Find a basis for  $\text{Null}(A)$ , the Null space of  $A$ .

Looking at the linear system corresponding to the reduced echelon matrix, we see that the free variables correspond to  $x_3$  and  $x_5$ , so let  $x_3 = s_1$  and  $x_5 = s_2$ . The remaining equations are then

$$x_1 - 5s_1 - 4s_2 = 0; \quad x_2 - 4s_1 - 3s_2 = 0; \quad x_4 + 2s_2 = 0$$

This means that

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5s_1 + 4s_2 \\ 4s_1 + 3s_2 \\ s_1 \\ -2s_2 \\ s_2 \end{bmatrix} = s_1 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s_2 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

so

$$B_{\text{Null}(A)} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

c) [2 pts] Find a basis for  $\text{row}(A^T)$ , the row space of  $A^T$ .

Since the rows of  $A^T$  are just the columns of  $A$ ,  $\text{row}(A^T) = \text{col}(A)$ , hence the basis is the same as in part a).

3. (10 points) a) [5 pts] Consider the set  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1 \right\}$ . Determine if  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . If it is, carefully show that it is a subspace. If it is not, give justification as to why.

**Algebraic Solution:**  $S$  is not a subspace because it isn't closed under scalar multiplication nor

vector addition. The easiest way to see this is via scalar multiplication. Given  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \in S$

take any scalar  $c > 1$ , then  $(cx)^2 + (cy)^2 + (cz)^2 = c^2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)$  and since  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1$ ,  $c^2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \leq c^2 \not\leq 1$ . This means that  $c\vec{v} \notin S$ , so  $S$  is not a subspace.  $S$  is also not closed

under vector addition, as can easily be seen by considering (among others) the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

and  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Both are in  $S$  but their vector sum is not.

**Geometric Solution:**  $S$  is a sphere of radius 1 in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Since any vector whose tip is on the boundary of the sphere can be scaled to stretch outside of the sphere, a scaled version of any vector in  $S$  will not necessarily remain in  $S$ .

- b) [5 pts] Let  $A$  be a non-zero  $n \times n$  matrix and consider the set  $S = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n : A\vec{x} = \vec{x} \right\}$ . That is, for some fixed matrix  $A$ ,  $S$  consists of all vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that are fixed by  $A$ . Show that  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . (Note: You may use the definition or any theorems from class.)

**Solution 1:** Recall that for any matrix  $A$ ,  $\text{Null}(A)$  is automatically a subspace. Keeping this fact in mind, we can see that if  $A\vec{x} = \vec{x}$ , then  $A\vec{x} - I_n\vec{x} = (A - I_n)\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ . This means that  $S = \text{Null}(A - I_n)$ . Since  $S$  is the nullspace of some matrix, it is a subspace.

**Solution 2:** We check the 3 subspace conditions starting with the first. It's easy to see that  $\vec{0} \in S$  because  $A\vec{0} = \vec{0}$ .

Now let  $\vec{x} \in S$  and let  $c$  be a scalar. Then

$$Ac\vec{x} = c(A\vec{x}) = c(\vec{x}) = c\vec{x}$$

so  $c\vec{x} \in S$  and  $S$  is closed under scalar multiplication.

Lastly, let  $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in S$ . This means that  $A\vec{x} = \vec{x}$  and  $A\vec{y} = \vec{y}$ , since  $A$  is linear, we have

$$A(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = A\vec{x} + A\vec{y} = \vec{x} + \vec{y}$$

hence  $\vec{x} + \vec{y} \in S$ , and  $S$  is closed under vector addition.

c)[4pts] Given the set  $S$  from part b), find a basis of  $S$  for the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

We will approach this problem from the nullspace perspective but mention that one can solve this by letting  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$  be an arbitrary and writing out equations in terms of  $a, b$ , and  $c$ , then solving.

Since  $S = \text{Null}(A - I_n)$ , here we have  $n = 3$  and

$$A - I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The linear system this corresponds to is given by

$$-x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x_1 = 0$$

This means that  $x_3$  is free, hence  $x_3 = s$  and  $x_2 = -s$ . Since  $S = \text{Null}(A - I_3)$ , a basis for  $S$  is just a basis for this null space. We can now see that any vector in this null space has the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{hence}$$

$$B_S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

4. (10 points) a) [5 pts] Define linear transformations  $T_A : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $S_B : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ , and

$$R = (T \circ S) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ with } T_A(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x} \text{ and } S_B(\vec{x}) = B\vec{x} \text{ for } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Show that  $T$  and  $S$  are invertible. (Note: Even though matrix  $B$  is the same as in the previous problem, they are unrelated.)

$T$  and  $S$  are invertible  $\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$  and  $\det(B) \neq 0$ . It's easy to see that  $\det(A) = (2)(-1)(3) = -6$ , and computing the cofactor expansion along the first column shows that  $\det(B) = 1(-1) = -1$ , hence  $T$  and  $S$  are invertible.

b) [5 pts] Determine a matrix  $C$  such that  $R^{-1}(\vec{x}) = (T \circ S)^{-1}(\vec{x}) = C\vec{x}$ .

Since matrix multiplication and function composition are the same,  $(T \circ S)\vec{x} = AB\vec{x}$ . This means that  $(T \circ S)^{-1}$  has associated matrix  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ , and this is the matrix we must find. Since the product of diagonal matrices is just the product of diagonal entries, we can easily see that

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

Applying the usual procedure for finding the inverse to  $B$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ & \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Hence

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

so

$$B^{-1}A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -1 & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

5. (8 points) Consider the following  $5 \times 5$  matrices:

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & \sqrt[5]{3} & 2 & \sqrt{2} \\ -3 & 8 & 3 & -6 & 1 \\ \pi & 52 & e & 3 & 5 \\ \sqrt{3} & 2 & 9 & 4 & 7\sqrt{13} \\ 5 & \pi^4 & -1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

An absolutely horrendous computation shows that  $M$  is invertible (You don't need to show this) so you may assume that  $M^{-1}$  exists. Define a new matrix  $A = MDM^{-1}$ . Is  $A$  invertible? If so, give a formula for  $A^{-1}$  as a product of matrices (You do **not** need to find an explicit formula for  $M^{-1}$ ). Be sure to carefully explain your reasoning.

To determine if  $A$  is invertible, we must compute its determinant. Recall from class that  $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$ . Using this and the fact that  $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$  we have

$$\det(MDM^{-1}) = \det(M)\det(D)\det(M^{-1}) = \det(M)\det(D)\frac{1}{\det(M)} = \det(D)$$

Since  $D$  is a diagonal matrix, we can easily compute its determinant,  $\det(D) = (2)(-1)(3)(5)(-2) = 60$ , hence  $A$  is invertible.

To compute its inverse we apply shoes and socks to obtain

$$(MDM^{-1})^{-1} = (M^{-1})^{-1}D^{-1}M^{-1} = MD^{-1}M^{-1}$$