

1. [4 points] Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $A^{-1}$ .

Quick formula:  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4 - 1 \cdot 9} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -9 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{3} & -3 \\ \frac{-1}{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

2. [3 points] Let  $T(x) = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 3 & 2 \\ -2 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} x$ . Which of these vectors are in the kernel of  $T$ ?

(No credit for just circling the right answer. Show some justification!)

$T(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$ ,  
so  $\vec{0}$  is always in the kernel.

$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 3 & 2 \\ -2 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 62 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
so, nope!

$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 3 & 2 \\ -2 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
so, yep!

3. [3 points] Let  $S$  be the set of vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$  where  $a^2 = b^2$ . Is  $S$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ? Explain.

No!  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  are in  $S$ , since  $1^2 = (-1)^2$ .

But  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is not in  $S$ , since  $2^2 \neq 0^2$ .