GIVE DETAILED EXPLANATIONS FOR YOUR ANSWERS.

On in class exams I assign four problems. Each is worth 25 points.

I try to assign problems from different topics that we covered.

Below are several problems to help you get used to my style of exam questions.

1. Consider  $2 \times 3$  matrix

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

and the linear transformation  $T\mathbf{x} = A\mathbf{x}$  which is defined on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and with values in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Determine whether T is injective (one-to-one). Justify your answer. If you claim that this transformation is not injective find two distinct vectors  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $T\mathbf{x}_1 = T\mathbf{x}_2$ . Determine whether T is surjective (onto). Justify your answer. If you claim that T is surjective then for each  $\mathbf{b}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  find a vector  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $T\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .

2. Consider  $3 \times 4$  matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & -6 \\ 2 & -4 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the linear transformation  $T\mathbf{x} = A\mathbf{x}$  which is defined on  $\mathbb{R}^4$  and with values in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Determine whether T is injective (one-to-one). Justify your answer. Determine whether T is surjective (onto). Justify your answer.

3. In this problem we assume that n is an integer such that n > 1. Let  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ; that is  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are  $n \times 1$  matrices. Consider the following expressions

$$\mathbf{u}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{v}, \qquad \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{u}, \qquad \mathbf{v}\,\mathbf{u}^{\mathsf{T}}, \qquad \mathbf{u}\,\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}.$$

Here, the symbol  $\ ^{ op}$  denotes the transpose of a matrix. Give detailed answers to the following questions:

- (a) Is it possible that  $\mathbf{u}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{u}$ ?
- (b) Is it possible that  $\mathbf{u}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}\,\mathbf{u}^{\mathsf{T}}$ ?
- (c) Is it possible that  $\mathbf{u} \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}} = \mathbf{v} \mathbf{u}^{\mathsf{T}}$ ?
- (d) Does the expression  $(\mathbf{u} \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}) \mathbf{v}$  make sense? If this expression makes sense, which kind of matrix is it?
- 4. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . In this problem A is an  $n \times n$  matrix. Without using the Invertible Matrix Theorem give explanations for the following implications.
  - (a) If the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a solution for each  $\mathbf{b}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then there is an  $n \times n$  matrix D such that AD = I. Explain why.
  - (b) If there is an  $n \times n$  matrix D such that AD = I, then the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a solution for each  $\mathbf{b}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Explain why.
  - (c) If there is an  $n \times n$  matrix C such that CA = I, then the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  has only the trivial solution. Explain why.

- 5. This problem is about invertible matrices. Let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix.
  - (a) State the definition of an invertible matrix.
  - (b) Prove the implication: If A is invertible, then A is row equivalent to  $I_n$ .
  - (c) Prove the implication: If A is row equivalent to  $I_n$ , then A is invertible.
- 6. For each matrix below determine whether it is invertible or not. Explain your claim. If a matrix is invertible find its inverse.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad E = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1/2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 7. Consider the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .
  - (a) Find  $A^{-1}$ . Prove that your answer is correct by calculating  $AA^{-1}$ .
  - (b) Use the inverse  $A^{-1}$  to find  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 8. Consider the matrices  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -1 & k \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -6 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ 
  - (a) What values of k (if any) will make A invertible?
  - (b) What values of k (if any) will make AB invertible?
  - (c) What values of k (if any) will make AB = BA?
- 9. Let A be an unknown square matrix. To A we perform the following row operations:
  - Row 1 gets replaced by  $\frac{1}{2}$  times Row 1.  $(R_1 \mapsto \frac{1}{2}R_1)$
  - Rows 2 and 3 are swapped  $(R_2 \mapsto R_3, R_3 \mapsto R_2)$
  - Row 2 gets replaced by -3 Row 2.  $(R_2 \mapsto -3R_2)$
  - Row 3 gets replaced by Row 3 minus 6 Row 2.  $(R_3 \mapsto R_3 6R_2)$

The resulting matrix B has determinant det B=4. What is the determinant of the unknown matrix A.

10. Let A be an unknown  $3\times3$  matrix. To A we perform the following row operations:

- Row 1 gets replaced by  $\frac{1}{2}$  times Row 1.  $(R_1 \mapsto \frac{1}{2}R_1)$
- Rows 2 and 3 are swapped  $(R_2 \mapsto R_3, R_3 \mapsto R_2)$
- Row 2 gets replaced by -3 Row 2.  $(R_2 \mapsto -3R_2)$
- Row 3 gets replaced by Row 3 minus 6 Row 2.  $(R_3 \mapsto R_3 6R_2)$

The resulting matrix B is the identity matrix. What is the matrix A?

11. Prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & y & y^2 \\ 1 & z & z^2 \end{vmatrix} = (y - x)(z - x)(z - y).$$

- 12. Determine whether it is possible to write the matrix  $M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  as a product of elementary matrices. If you claim that it is possible to write M as a product of elementary matrices, then find elementary matrices whose product is M. If you claim that it is not possible to write M as a product of elementary matrices, then justify your claim.
- 13. Calculate the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 6 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$ .

14. Determine h such that

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & h \\ 2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

15. (This problem has too many items for all of them to be on an exam.) Consider the  $3\times 5$  matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 & 7 & -6 \\ -2 & 4 & 1 & 4 & -7 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Row reduce the matrix A to the reduced row echelon form.
- (b) Celebrate your correct row reduction by multiplying the  $3 \times 2$  matrix which consists of the pivot columns of A by  $2 \times 5$  matrix which consists of nonzero rows of the reduced row echelon form of A.
- (c) Find a basis for  $\operatorname{Nul} A$ .
- (d) Find a basis for  $\operatorname{Col} A$ .
- (e) Express each nonpivot column of A as a linear combination of the basis for  $\operatorname{Col} A$  that you found.
- (f) Find a basis for Row A.
- (g) Express each row of A as a linear combination of the basis for Row A that you found.

16. The matrix A and its reduced row echelon form are given below.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 8 & 5 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 & 6 & 4 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \sim \quad \cdots \quad \sim \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Find the rank of A and the dimension of the null space of A.
- (b) Find the rank of  $A^{\top}$  and the dimension of the null space of  $A^{\top}$ .
- (c) Denote the columns of A by  $\mathbf{a}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_3$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_4$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_5$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_6$ . Based on the given RREF of A, find a basis for the column space of A. Denote this basis by  $\mathcal{C}$ . Calculate the vector  $[\mathbf{a}_6]_{\mathcal{C}}$ .
- (d) Express the first row of A as a linear combination of the nonzeor rows of the RREF of A.
- (e) Find a basis for the null space of A.
- 17. Given two bases  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  calculate the change of coordinates matrices  $\underset{\mathcal{A} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}$  and  $\underset{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{A}}{P}$ . There are several examples on the class website. One is with a picture, one is with given vectors.
- 18. Let

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

and let

$$\mathcal{H} = \operatorname{Span} \mathcal{B}.$$

- (a) Prove that  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{H}$ .
- (b) Find the basis  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $\mathcal{H}$  such that

$$P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$