

Show all work and provide brief explanations where necessary.

1. Solve the linear system by reducing the augmented matrix to row echelon (or reduced row echelon) form.

$$\begin{aligned} x + y + z &= 4 \\ 2x - y + 3z &= 7 \\ 4x + y + 5z &= 15 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 & 15 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[R_3 - 4R_1]{R_2 - 2R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 - R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{3}R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{ REF}$$

Solution:  $\boxed{z = t}$ ,  $\boxed{y = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}t}$  and  $x + y + z = 4$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 4 - y - z$   
 $= 4 - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3}t - t$   
 $\boxed{x = \frac{11}{3} - \frac{4}{3}t}$

2. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $2A - 3B^T$ .

$$2A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad 3B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & 0 \\ 9 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $2A - 3B^T = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 9 & 0 \\ -11 & -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

3. For the matrices in problem 2, find  $AB$ . Also, explain why  $BA \neq AB$  without computing  $BA$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} (1)(1) + (3)(-1) + (0)(0) & (1)(3) + (3)(1) + (0)(1) \\ (-1)(1) + (1)(-1) + (5)(0) & (-1)(3) + (1)(1) + (5)(1) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 6 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$BA$  is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix, so  $BA \neq AB$

4. Determine a scalar,  $r$ , such that  $Ax = rx$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{so } \boxed{r=3}$$

5. Find  $A$  if  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$A = (A^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_1 - 3R_3 \\ R_2 + 2R_3 \end{array} \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right]$$

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

6. Use a Laplace cofactor expansion to find  $\det(A)$  if  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 & -3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\text{row 3: } 2(-1)^{3+1} \det \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{pmatrix} + 3(-1)^{3+2} \det \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 2(3+8) + 3(-1)(-9+2)$$

$$= 22 + (-3)(-7)$$

$$= 43.$$

7. If  $A$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix with  $\det(A) = -3$ , find  $\det(A^{-1})$ ,  $\det(A^T)$ ,  $\det(4A)$  and  $\det(A^2)$ .

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)} = -\frac{1}{3} \quad ; \quad \det(A^T) = \det(A) = -3$$

$$\det(4A) = 4^2 \cdot \det(A) = 16(-3) = -48$$

$$\det(A^2) = \det(A \cdot A) = \det(A) \cdot \det(A) = (-3)(-3) = 9.$$

8. Use determinants to determine whether each of the following matrices is singular or nonsingular:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 6 & -4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ -6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -12 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\det(A) = -12 - (-12) = 0 \text{ so } A \text{ is singular.}$$

$$\det(B) = -12 - 12 = -24 \neq 0 \text{ so } B \text{ is non-singular}$$

$$\det(C) = 12 - 12 = 0 \text{ so } C \text{ is singular}$$

9. Find the angle between the vectors  $\mathbf{u} = (1, 2, -3, -4)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (1, 0, -2, 5)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{v}\|} = \frac{(1)(1) + (2)(0) + (-3)(-2) + (-4)(5)}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} \cdot \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + 2^2 + 5^2}} \\ &= \frac{-13}{\sqrt{30} \sqrt{30}} = -\frac{13}{30} \end{aligned}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{13}{30}\right) \approx 115.7^\circ$$

10. Let  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  be solutions of the homogeneous linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ . Show that  $3\mathbf{u} - 5\mathbf{v}$  is also a solution.

$$\text{Given } A\mathbf{u} = \vec{0} \text{ and } A\mathbf{v} = \vec{0}.$$

$$A(3\mathbf{u} - 5\mathbf{v}) = A(3\mathbf{u}) - A(5\mathbf{v}) = 3A\mathbf{u} - 5A\mathbf{v}$$

$$= 3\vec{0} - 5\vec{0} = \vec{0},$$

so  $3\mathbf{u} - 5\mathbf{v}$  is also a solution.

11. Show that if  $\det(A^T) = \det(A^{-1})$  then  $\det(A) = \pm 1$ .

Relevant facts:  $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$  and  $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$ .

Since  $\det(A^T) = \det(A^{-1})$ , we have

$$\det(A) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A)^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A) = \pm 1.$$

12. Show that if  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$  for all  $n$ -vectors,  $\mathbf{v}$ , then  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$  (the zero vector).

$$\text{let } \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}$$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \Rightarrow \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\mathbf{u}\| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{u} = \vec{0}.$$