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True/False: If the statement is *always* true, give a brief explanation of why it is. If the statement is false, give a counterexample.

1. [4] If  $A$  and  $B$  are both  $2 \times 2$  matrices, then  $AB = BA$

2. [4] A matrix of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  commutes with  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

3. [4] If  $A$  and  $B$  are both  $2 \times 2$  matrices, then  $(A + B)^{-1} = A^{-1} + B^{-1}$ .

4. [4] A basis for the subspace:  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + r \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \mid r, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is:  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

5. [4] A set of vectors that are linearly independent in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  also form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

6. [4] The transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  that embeds  $\mathbb{R}^2$  into the  $xy$ -plane is given by

$$\vec{x} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}.$$

Free Response: Show your work for the following problems. The correct answer with no supporting work will receive NO credit.

7. Let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be defined by:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } C = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Compute the following if possible.

(a) [1]  $2B$

(b) [2]  $A^T$

(c) [2] a basis for  $\text{col}(A)$

(d) [4]  $C^{-1}$

8. Let  $A$  be a  $2 \times 3$  matrix,  $B$  be a  $3 \times 1$  matrix, and let  $C$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix.

(a) [1] What are the dimensions of the matrix  $BC$ , if it exists?

(b) [1] What are the dimensions of the matrix  $CA^T$ , if it exists?

(c) [1] What are the dimensions of the matrix  $C^8B$ , if it exists?

9. Assume all matrices  $A_i$  given below are multiplicatively invertible and of such a size that the multiplication makes sense.

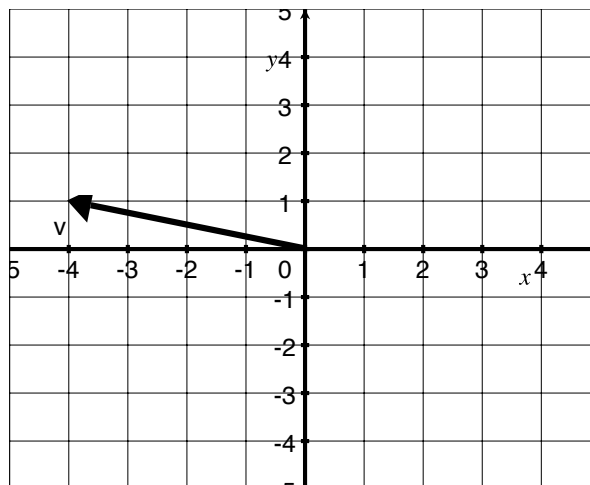
(a) [2] What is the multiplicative inverse of  $A_2A_1$ ?

(b) [4] Use induction to prove that  $A_n..A_2A_1$  is invertible for all  $n$ .

10. Consider the transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $T\vec{v} = A\vec{v}$ , where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) [1] The vector shown on the right is  $\vec{v}$ .  
Draw the image of  $\vec{v}$  under the transformation  $T$ .



- (b) [3] Find a basis for  $\text{null}(A)$ .

- (c) [2] Identify  $\text{null}(A)$  on the axes provided above.

- (d) [2] Find any  $\vec{x}$  that are *invariant* under the action of  $T$ . That is, find all  $\vec{x}$  such that  $T\vec{x} = \vec{x}$ . Justify your answer either geometrically or algebraically.