

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  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  are  $2 \times 2$  non-zero matrices and  $AB = AC$ , then  $B = C$ .
2. [4] If  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  are invertible matrices such that  $CA = B$ , then  $C = A^{-1}B$ .
3. [4] If  $A$  and  $B$  are square matrices so that  $AB = BA$ , then

$$(A - B)(A + B) = A^2 - B^2.$$

4. [4] The set  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
5. [4] Given an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ ,  $\text{rk}(A) + \text{null}(A) = m$ .
6. [4] The transformation  $T$  from  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that projects  $\mathbb{R}^2$  onto the line  $y = -x$  is given by the rule:

$$\vec{x} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}.$$

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

1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find the following if possible.

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| (a) [2] $-B$                        | (b) [2] $BA$                          |
| (c) [2] $CB^T$                      | (d) [2] $A^{-1}$                      |
| (e) [3] a basis for $\text{row}(A)$ | (f) [3] a basis for $\text{null}(A)$  |
| (g) [3] $C^{-1}$                    | (h) [3] the LU factorization of $C$ . |
2. [7] Use induction to prove a general formula for  $A^n$  ( $n \geq 1$ ) if  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

3. Let  $W$  be the set of all vectors  $\vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  that exhibit the property:

$$\|\vec{u} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\| = \|\vec{u}\| + \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\|.$$

In set builder notation:

$$W = \left\{ \vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^2; \|\vec{u} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\| = \|\vec{u}\| + \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \right\}.$$

- (a) [3] Describe geometrically what vectors the set  $W$  contains. (A picture is worth a thousand words and no proof is needed.)
- (b) [4] Either prove  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and exhibit which subspace property is not satisfied by  $W$ .
- (c) [2] Let  $S$  be a linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that sends  $\vec{x}$  to  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$ . Describe in words what  $S$  does to  $W$ .
- (d) [Extra Credit 2] Find a matrix that acts nontrivially on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (some points in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are not sent back to themselves) but returns  $W$  to itself.