Quiz 2 Math 341

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True/False: If the statement is true, give a brief explanation of why it is. If the statement is false, give a counterexample. Let A and B be matrices, and c be a scalar.

1. [3] If a linear system is inconsistent, then the rank of the augmented matrix exceeds the number of unknowns.

2. [3] If cA = 0, then either c = 0 or A = 0.

3. [3] If AB = 0 then A = 0 or B = 0.

4. [3] If both AB and BA are defined then AB = BA.

Free Response: Show all your work and justify your steps. No credit is given for the correct answer with no justification.

5. [4] Write \vec{w} as a linear combination of \vec{u} and \vec{v} where

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\2 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\-1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

6. [4] Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & 0 \\ 0 & x_2 \end{bmatrix}$. Given that AB - 5X = 0, find X.