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TEST 1 (A)

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Question 1. (10 marks)

(a) Define briefly the three types of elementary row operations.

- (1) INTERCHANGING 2 ROWS
- (2) MULTIPLYING A ROW BY A NON ZERO CONSTANT
- (3) Adding A multiple OF A ROW to ANOTHER

(b) Using elementary row operations, find the **reduced row echelon** form of the following matrix. Show each step, writing a new matrix showing the result of each of your elementary row operations.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 - 3R_1 \rightarrow R_3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_3 - R_2 \rightarrow R_3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 - R_2 \rightarrow R_1 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question 2. (10 marks)

Consider the system whose augmented matrix is given in row echelon form below, where a is a constant:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a^2 - 9 & a - 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

State the conditions on a and b so that the corresponding linear system has:

- (i) No solutions
- (ii) Infinitely many solutions
- (iii) A unique solution

$$(i) \quad a^2 - 9 = 0 \quad \& \quad a - 3 \neq 0$$

$$a = \pm 3 \quad \& \quad a \neq 3$$

THIS LEAVES ONE possibility

$$\boxed{a = -3}$$

$$(ii) \quad a^2 - 9 = 0 \quad \& \quad a - 3 = 0$$

$$a = \pm 3 \quad \& \quad a = 3$$

THIS LEAVES only $\boxed{a = 3}$

$$(iii) \quad a^2 - 9 \neq 0$$

$$a^2 \neq 9$$

$$\boxed{a \neq \pm 3}$$

Question 3. (10 marks)

Solve the following system of equations.

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 1$$

$$2x_1 + 4x_2 - 2x_4 = 6$$

$$-2x_1 - 4x_2 + 2x_3 = -2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & -2 & 6 \\ -2 & -4 & 2 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 - 2R_1 \rightarrow R_2 \\ R_3 + 2R_1 \rightarrow R_3 \end{array} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Free variables are x_2 & x_4

$$\text{Let } x_2 = s$$

$$x_4 = t$$

$$x_3 - x_4 = 2$$

$$x_3 = 2 + x_4$$

$$= 2 + t$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 1$$

$$x_1 = 1 - 2x_2 + x_3$$

$$= 1 - 2s + (2 + t)$$

$$= 3 - 2s + t$$

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (3 - 2s + t, s, 2 + t, t)$$

where s, t are in $\mathbb{R}$.

Question 4. (10 marks)

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

Compute the following (where possible).

(a) CA

(b) $A + B^T$

(c) $CB - 2A^T$

(a) $\begin{matrix} C & A \\ 2 \times 2 & 3 \times 2 \end{matrix}$ CA is not defined

(b) $A + B^T$

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

(c) $CB - 2A^T$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ -4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & -13 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 & -2 \\ -8 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -5 & 3 \\ 10 & 1 & -13 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question 5. (10marks)

Find A given the information below.

$$(A - 2I)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$((A - 2I)^{-1})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$A - 2I = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2/10 & 1/10 \\ -4/10 & 3/10 \end{bmatrix} + 2I$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2/10 & 1/10 \\ -4/10 & 3/10 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 22/10 & 1/10 \\ -4/10 & 23/10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question 6. (10 marks)

Given $n \times n$ matrices A and B . State whether or not the following statements are TRUE or FALSE. If the statement is false give an example otherwise simply state that the statement is true.

(a) $(A+B)^{-1} = A^{-1} + B^{-1}$

FALSE

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (A+B)^{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{BUT } A^{-1} + B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$

TRUE

(c) $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

TRUE

(d) $AB = BA$ FALSE

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

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question 7. (10 marks)

(a) Given a square matrix A , state the two equations that a matrix C must satisfy in order for $C = A^{-1}$.

(b) Show that if a square matrix satisfies $A^2 + 2A - I = 0$, then $A^{-1} = A + 2I$

$$(a) \quad (1) \quad CA = I$$

$$(2) \quad AC = I$$

(b) we must show $A^{-1} = A + 2I$

so we must show

$$(1) (A + 2I)A = I$$

$$(2) A(A + 2I) = I$$

we are given $A^2 + 2A - I = 0$
that is $\boxed{A^2 + 2A = I}$

checking (1) $(A + 2I)A$

$$= A^2 + 2IA$$

$$= A^2 + 2A$$

$$= I$$

(FROM given)

(2) $A(A + 2I)$

$$= A^2 + A2I$$

$$= A^2 + 2A = I$$

so $(A + 2I)$ satisfies both conditions for being the inverse of A
we can conclude
that $A^{-1} = A + 2I$ $\blacksquare$

