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Name: Solution Set

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**Math 251**  
**Test 2**

**Total =  $\overline{20}$**

Show your work. All of the work on this test must be your own.

**GOOD LUCK!**

1. (4 points) Consider the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Evaluate the following, if they exist. If they do not exist, say so.

$$(a) AA^T = \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ 1 \times 2 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ 2 \times 1 \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2^2 + 3^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ 1 \times 1 \end{matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) A + A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \text{undefined or DNE}$$

$$(c) A^T A = \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ 2 \times 1 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ 1 \times 2 \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \\ 2 \times 2 \end{matrix}$$

$$(d) A^2 = \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ 1 \times 2 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ 1 \times 2 \end{matrix} = \text{undefined or DNE}$$

2. (2 points) Solve the given matrix equation for  $X$ . Assume that all matrices are invertible.

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

method 1:

$$\begin{aligned} BX &= (B^{-1}A)^{-1} \\ &= A^{-1}B \\ B^{-1}BX &= B^{-1}A^{-1}B \\ \boxed{X} &= \boxed{B^{-1}A^{-1}B} \end{aligned}$$

method 2:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{-1}B^{-1} &= B^{-1}A \\ X^{-1}B^{-1}B &= B^{-1}AB \\ X^{-1} &= B^{-1}AB \\ X &= (B^{-1}AB)^{-1} \\ \boxed{X} &= \boxed{B^{-1}A^{-1}B} \end{aligned}$$

3. (4 points) Find an  $LU$  factorization of the following matrix.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 \\ -2 & 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 \\ -2 & 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\downarrow R_2 - 2R_1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 \\ -2 & 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\downarrow R_3 + R_1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 \\ 0 & 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\downarrow R_3 + 2R_2$

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

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_2 + 2R_1 \\ R_3 - R_1, R_3 - 2R_2 \end{array}$$

(2)

$$\text{so } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. (5 points) Consider the following matrix  $A$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$   
 free variables

(a) Give the values of  $\text{Rank}(A)$  and  $\text{Nullity}(A)$ .

①  $\text{Rank}(A) = 3$  (# of leading ones in RREF)

①  $\text{Nullity}(A) = 2$  (# of free variables in RREF)

(b) Find a basis for  $\text{Null}(A)$ .

RREF gives

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_3 - x_5 = 0 \\ x_2 + 2x_3 + 3x_5 = 0 \\ x_4 + 4x_5 = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{①}$$

now let  $x_3 = s$   
 $x_5 = t$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = -s + t \\ x_2 = -2s - 3t \\ x_3 = s \\ x_4 = -4t \\ x_5 = t \end{cases} \quad \text{①} \quad \text{or } \vec{x} = s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

a basis for  $\text{Null}(A)$  is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{①}$$

5. (5 points) Find the equation of the parabola that passes through the points  $(1, -2)$ ,  $(-2, 10)$ , and the origin.

Set up and solve a system to find this parabola, writing your answer in the form  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ . Use Gauss-Jordan elimination and be sure to specify which row operations you are using.

$$y = ax^2 + bx + c$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for } (1, -2): & \quad -2 = a(1)^2 + b(1) + c \\ (-2, 10): & \quad 10 = a(-2)^2 + b(-2) + c \\ (0, 0): & \quad 0 = a(0)^2 + b(0) + c \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } \begin{cases} -2 = a + b + c \\ 10 = 4a - 2b + c \\ 0 = c \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

system

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 4 & -2 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_1 - R_3 \\ R_2 - R_3 \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 4 & -2 & 0 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_2 - 4R_1 \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -6 & 0 & 18 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$-\frac{1}{6}R_2 \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 1 \\ b &= -3 \\ c &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

no Gauss Jordan  $(-2)$   
did GJ bA not to  
REF  $(-1)$

$$\text{so } \boxed{y = x^2 - 3x} \quad (1)$$

optional check:

$$(0, 0): \quad 0 = 0^2 - 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(1, -2): \quad -2 = 1^2 - 3 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(-2, 10): \quad 10 = 4 - 3(-2) \quad \checkmark$$

-2

if didn't read the question and did only

$$-2 = a + b + c$$

$$10 = 9a - b + c$$

get

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 9 & -2 & 1 & 10 \end{array} \right]$$

↓  $R_2 - 9R_1$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -6 & -3 & 18 \end{array} \right]$$

↓  $-\frac{1}{6}R_2$

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

↓  $R_1 - R_2$

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

if put in an arbitrary value for t (-1)

then  $a + \frac{1}{2}c = 1$

$b + \frac{1}{2}c = -3$

so let  $c = t$

$$\begin{cases} a = 1 - \frac{1}{2}t \\ b = -3 - \frac{1}{2}t \\ c = t \end{cases}$$

and if you insist

$$y = (1 - \frac{1}{2}t)x^2 + (-3 - \frac{1}{2}t)x + t$$