

## PRACTICE TEST 1

**Problem 1:** a) By computing the row reduced echelon form find all the solutions of the system  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- b) Indicate the pivot columns.  
c) What is the rank of  $A$ ?

**Problem 2:** a) Find a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $E$  that when multiplied with a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  adds three times the first *column* of  $A$  to the second *column* of  $A$ . (Hint: Think of  $AE$  and not  $EA$ .)

- b) What is the inverse of  $E$ ?

**Problem 3:** a) Are the three vectors below linear independent?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) An  $n \times n$  matrix is invertible if and only if the column vectors form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Explain this.

**Problem 4:** Find the inverse of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Problem 5:** a) Find a  $2 \times 2$  matrix whose column space and null space are equal.

- b) Is the same true for a symmetric  $2 \times 2$  matrix? Explain.

**Problem 6:** Find a basis for  $N(A)$ ,  $C(A)$ ,  $N(A^T)$  and  $C(A^T)$  where

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

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**Problem 7:** Using the normal equations, solve the least square problem for  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$  where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Problem 8:** a) Find the  $QR$  factorization of the matrix

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

b) Using the result of a) find the least square solutions for the equation  $A\vec{x}$  where  $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Problem 9:** True or False:

- a) The column space does not change under row reduction.
- b) A matrix with full column rank has a trivial null space.
- c) A matrix that has a left inverse has full column rank.
- d) A matrix that has full row rank is invertible.
- e) Three vectors of which any two vectors are linearly independent are linearly independent.