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Question	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Maximum	3	3	5	7	3	2	23
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1. [3 points] For each of the following sets, write **Yes** if the set is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n for the *given* value of n , and write **No** if it is not. You will receive .5 points for each correct answer and lose .25 points for each incorrect answer.

Yes The set $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x + y \\ y + 2z \\ z + 3x \end{bmatrix} \mid x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, n = 3.$

No The set $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, n = 3.$

Yes A line in \mathbb{R}^3 which passes through the origin, $n = 3.$

Yes Nul B where B is a 6×9 matrix, $n = 9.$

No Col A where A is a 4×5 matrix, $n = 5.$

No Span $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$, where $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4$ are vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 , $n = 4.$

2. [3 points] For each of the following statements, indicate if it is true (**T**) or false (**F**). You will receive .5 points for each correct answer, and will lose .25 points for each incorrect answer.

T If three vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 are linearly independent, then they form a basis for $\mathbb{R}^3.$

F \mathbb{R}^4 has a basis which consists of 5 vectors.

T If the rank of a matrix A of size 4×6 is equal to 3, then $\dim \text{Nul } A = 3$

F If A is an invertible matrix then $\det A = 0.$

T If A is a square matrix, then $\det A = \det A^T.$

T There exists an imaginary number z such that $z^2 = -2.$

3. [5 points] Calculate the determinant of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & -1 & -6 \\ -2 & -6 & 2 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 7 & -3 & 8 & -7 \\ 3 & 5 & 5 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: The best method for such a large matrix is the row reduction method:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & -1 & -6 \\ -2 & -6 & 2 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 7 & -3 & 8 & -7 \\ 3 & 5 & 5 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} & \xrightarrow{\substack{L_3 \rightarrow L_3 + 2L_1 \\ L_4 \rightarrow L_4 - 3L_1 \\ L_5 \rightarrow L_5 - 3L_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & -1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 8 & -1 \\ 0 & -4 & 8 & 2 & 13 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \xrightarrow{\substack{L_4 \rightarrow L_4 + L_2 \\ L_5 \rightarrow L_5 + 2L_2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & -1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 7 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 & -1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 7 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The last matrix is triangular and therefore its determinant is the product of diagonal entries, i.e., -24 . Since we used one interchange throughout, the determinant of A is equal to $(-1)(-24) = 24$.

4. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -4 & 4 & 6 \\ 5 & 1 & -9 & 2 & 10 \\ 4 & 6 & -9 & 12 & 15 \\ 3 & 4 & -5 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We are given that the following matrix is an echelon form of A :

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

- (a) **[2 points]** Find a basis for $\text{Col } A$.
 (b) **[1 point]** Determine the rank of A .
 (c) **[3 points]** Find a basis for $\text{Nul } A$.
 (d) **[1 point]** Find $\dim \text{Nul } A$.

Solution:

- (a) By the given echelon form, the columns 1, 2 and 3 are pivot columns. We conclude that the same columns in A form a basis of $\text{Col } A$. That is, the basis is given by:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -9 \\ -9 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

- (b) From (a) it follows that the rank of A is 3.
 (c) The reduced echelon form of A is obtained from its echelon form as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 8 & 4 & -6 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} &\xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow \frac{1}{5}R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 8 & 4 & -6 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_3 \\ R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 8R_3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 2R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The homogeneous linear system associated to the reduced echelon form is

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 0 \\ x_2 + 2x_4 + x_5 = 0 \\ x_3 - x_5 = 0 \end{cases}$$

with x_4 and x_5 free variables. Then the vector parametric form of the solution is

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = x_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_5 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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and the obtained basis of $\text{Nul } A$ is:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(d) $\dim \text{Nul } A = 2$.

5. [3 points] Write the following complex numbers in the standard form $a + bi$, $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

(a) $(2 + i)\overline{(3 - 2i)}$.

(b) $\frac{1 + i}{1 - i}$.

Solution: We have

$$(2 + i)\overline{(3 - 2i)} = (2 + i)(3 + 2i) = 6 + 4i + 3i + (i)(2i) = 6 + 7i - 2 = 4 + 7i.$$

and

$$\frac{1 + i}{1 - i} = \frac{(1 + i)^2}{(1 - i)(1 + i)} = \frac{1 + 2i + i^2}{1^2 + 1^2} = \frac{2i}{2} = i.$$

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6. [2 points] Suppose that

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = 8.$$

Calculate

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 - c_1 & a_2 - c_2 & a_3 - c_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \\ 3b_1 & 3b_2 & 3b_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Solution: We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{vmatrix} a_1 - c_1 & a_2 - c_2 & a_3 - c_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \\ 3b_1 & 3b_2 & 3b_3 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \begin{vmatrix} a_1 - c_1 & a_2 - c_2 & a_3 - c_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \\ & = -3 \begin{vmatrix} a_1 - c_1 & a_2 - c_2 & a_3 - c_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = -3 \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = -24 \end{aligned}$$