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Question	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Maximum	4	5	4	5	5	3	26
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1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 \\ -3 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Also, let  $I_2$  denote the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix. In parts (a) and (b) below, calculate the given matrix expressions explicitly.

(a) [2 points]  $A^T B - 2I_2$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 \\ -3 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) [2 points]  $(A^T A)^{-1}$

**Solution:**

$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{9} \end{bmatrix}$$

2. [5 points] For each of the following statements, indicate if it is true (**T**) or false (**F**). You will receive 1 point for each correct answer and  $-0.5$  points for each incorrect answer (but you cannot receive a negative score on this question).

**T** The reduced echelon form of an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix is the identity matrix  $I_n$ .

**F** If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix such that the homogeneous linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  has infinitely many solutions, then  $A$  is invertible.

**F** The vectors  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  are linearly independent.

**T** For every two  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ , we have  $(A + B)^T = B^T + A^T$ .

**F** For three  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ , if  $AB = AC$  then we necessarily have  $B = C$ .

3. [4 points] Is the matrix

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

invertible? If the answer is yes, determine its inverse.

**Solution:** We row reduce the super-augmented matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -2 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -2 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ & \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 2R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -2 & 0 & 3 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + 2R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that the matrix  $A$  is invertible and its inverse is

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

4. An economy consists of two sectors: Agriculture and Manufacturing. In order to produce 1 unit of output, the Agriculture sector uses  $\frac{5}{8}$  units from the Agriculture and  $\frac{1}{8}$  units from the Manufacturing sector. Further, to produce 1 unit of output, the Manufacturing sector uses  $\frac{1}{4}$  units from the Agriculture and  $\frac{1}{4}$  units from the Manufacturing sector.

- (a) [1 point] Write down the consumption matrix  $C$  for this economy.

**Solution:**

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5}{8} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{8} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) [1 point] What intermediate demands are created if Manufacturing is supposed to produce 16 units, and simultaneously Agriculture is supposed to produce 8 units?

The intermediate demands are \_\_\_\_\_ units from Agriculture and \_\_\_\_\_ units from Manufacturing.

**Solution:**

$$8 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5}{8} \\ \frac{1}{8} \end{bmatrix} + 16 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

The intermediate demands are 9 units from Agriculture and 5 units from Manufacturing.

- (c) [3 points] Determine the production levels required to meet a final demand of 4 units from the Agriculture sector and 6 units from the Manufacturing sector.

The required production levels are \_\_\_\_\_ units from Agriculture and \_\_\_\_\_ units from Manufacturing.

**Solution:** We should solve the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{d}$  where

$$A = I_2 - C = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{8} & -\frac{1}{4} \\ -\frac{1}{8} & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now we have  $\det A = \frac{9}{32} - \frac{1}{32} = \frac{8}{32} = \frac{1}{4} \neq 0$ , thus  $A$  is invertible and

$$A^{-1} = 4 \times \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{8} & \frac{3}{8} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{It follows that, } \mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 18 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

The production levels are 18 units from Agriculture and 11 units from Manufacturing.

5. [5 points] Consider the vectors

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Are the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{v}_3$  linearly independent? If they are linearly dependent, then write down a linear dependence relation for these vectors. You should justify your answers.

**Solution:** We form the matrix  $A = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \mathbf{v}_3]$  and calculate the reduced echelon form:

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 2R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Since the third column is not a pivot column, the homogeneous linear system with coefficient matrix  $A$  has infinitely many solutions. Therefore the given vectors are linearly dependent.

To find the linear dependence relation, we should solve the homogeneous system with coefficient matrix  $A$ . The linear system corresponding to the RREF of  $A$  is:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_3 = 0 \\ x_2 - \frac{1}{2}x_3 = 0 \\ x_3 = \text{free} \end{cases}$$

Therefore the general solution of the system is given by:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = x_3 \\ x_2 = \frac{1}{2}x_3 \\ x_3 = \text{free} \end{cases}$$

Now we can choose the value of  $x_3$ ; e.g.,  $x_3 = 1$ , and then we find a particular solution  $x_1 = 1$ ,  $x_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $x_3 = 1$ , which results in the linear dependence relation  $\mathbf{v}_1 + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0}$ .

6. [3 points] Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and let  $B$  be a  $2 \times 3$  matrix. Suppose that the second row of  $(AB)^T$  is

$$\mathbf{v} = [-1 \quad 3].$$

Compute the second column of  $B$ .

**Solution:** We have

$$(AB)^T = \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ -1 & 3 \\ * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

and therefore if we write  $B$  in column form as  $B = [\mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \mathbf{b}_3]$  then

$$AB = [A\mathbf{b}_1 \quad A\mathbf{b}_2 \quad A\mathbf{b}_3] = \begin{bmatrix} * & -1 & * \\ * & 3 & * \end{bmatrix}.$$

It follows that

$$A\mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore

$$\mathbf{b}_2 = A^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$