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1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Also, let  $I_2$  denote the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix.

(a) [1 point] Among the four expressions below, only one makes sense. Circle it (no justification is needed).

- $AB - 2I_2$
- $(A + B)^{-1}$
- $I_2 - A^T AB^T$
- $(B^T A - I_2)^{-1}$

**Solution:**

- In the first expression,  $A$  and  $B$  are  $3 \times 2$  matrices and so  $AB$  does not make sense.
- The second expression does not make sense since  $A + B$  is a  $3 \times 2$  matrix, and so it is not invertible.
- In the third expression,  $A^T AB^T$  is a  $2 \times 3$  matrix. It does not make sense to subtract from it a  $2 \times 2$  matrix.
- The fourth expression makes perfect sense.

(b) [3 points] Calculate explicitly the above expression which makes sense.

**Solution:**

$$B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So

$$B^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus

$$B^T A - I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

The determinant of  $B^T A - I_2$  is  $1 \cdot 4 - 2 \cdot (-3) = 10$ . Therefore, we have

$$(B^T A - I_2)^{-1} = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{5} & -\frac{1}{5} \\ \frac{3}{10} & \frac{1}{10} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & -0.2 \\ 0.3 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. [4 points] For each of the following statements, indicate if it is true or false. You will receive 1 point for every correct answer and lose .5 points for every incorrect answer (but you cannot receive a negative mark on this question).

\_\_\_\_\_ For an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  and a vector  $\mathbf{b}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  always has a unique solution.

**Solution:** True.

\_\_\_\_\_ For two  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ , we always have  $(AB)^T = A^T B^T$

**Solution:** False.

\_\_\_\_\_ For every two  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ , if  $AB = 0$  and  $B \neq 0$ , then  $A = 0$ .

**Solution:** False.

\_\_\_\_\_ The vectors  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1.4 \\ 0.6 \\ -2.9 \\ -7.1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 40 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \\ 3.9 \\ 21 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -4.1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 0 \\ 3.2 \\ 5.7 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  are linearly independent.

**Solution:** False.

3. [4 points] Is the matrix

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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2} \\ & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow -R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_3} \\ & \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 6 & -3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 2R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -11 & 6 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 6 & -3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

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

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -11 & 6 & 4 \\ 6 & -3 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

4. An economy consists of two sectors: Agriculture and Industry. In order to produce 1 unit of output, the Agriculture sector uses  $\frac{2}{5}$  units from the Agriculture and  $\frac{1}{5}$  units from the Industry sector. Further, to produce 1 unit of output, the Industry sector uses  $\frac{3}{5}$  units from the Agriculture and  $\frac{1}{5}$  units from the Industry sector.

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

**Solution:**

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \\ \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) [1 point] What intermediate demands are created if Agriculture is supposed to produce 15 units, and simultaneously Industry is supposed to produce 25 units? Write down your final answers in the blank spots below.

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

**Solution:**

$$C \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 25 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{5} & \frac{3}{5} \\ \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 25 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

The intermediate demands are 21 units from Agriculture and 8 units from Industry.

(c) [3 points] Determine the production levels required to meet a final demand of 9 units from the Agriculture sector and 15 units from the Industry sector. Write down your final answers in the blank spots below.

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

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

$$A = I_2 - C = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & -\frac{3}{5} \\ -\frac{1}{5} & \frac{4}{5} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} \frac{3}{5} & -\frac{3}{5} & 9 \\ -\frac{1}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 15 \end{array} \right] &\xrightarrow{\substack{R_1 \rightarrow \frac{5}{3}R_1 \\ R_2 \rightarrow 5R_2}} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 15 \\ -1 & 4 & 75 \end{array} \right] &\xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 15 \\ 0 & 3 & 90 \end{array} \right] \\ &\xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 15 \\ 0 & 1 & 30 \end{array} \right] &\xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 45 \\ 0 & 1 & 30 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

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Therefore  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 45 \\ 30 \end{bmatrix}$ . The required production levels are 45 units from Agriculture and 30 units from Industry.

5. [3 points] Consider the vectors

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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 an echelon form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 6 \\ -1 & -1 & 6 \\ 3 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 & 6 \\ 3 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & 9 \\ 3 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{3}R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since all columns are pivot columns, the homogeneous linear system with coefficient matrix  $A$  has a unique solution (the trivial one). Therefore the given vectors are linearly independent.

6. [4 points] Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two  $n \times n$  invertible matrices. Find the  $n \times n$  matrix  $X$  in terms of  $A$  and  $B$  such that

$$AB^{-1}(X + B)^T(BA)^{-1} - AB = 0$$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} & AB^{-1}(X + B)^T(BA)^{-1} - AB = 0 \\ \implies & AB^{-1}(X + B)^T(BA)^{-1} = AB \\ \implies & B^{-1}(X + B)^T = A^{-1}AB(BA) \\ \implies & B^{-1}(X + B)^T = B^2A \\ \implies & (X + B)^T = B^3A \\ \implies & X + B = (B^3A)^T \\ \implies & X + B = A^T(B^3)^T \\ \implies & X = A^T(B^3)^T - B \end{aligned}$$