

**Midterm Linear Algebra (CSE1205)**  
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- Calculators and formula sheets are **not** allowed.
  - Each question has a unique correct answer.
  - Credits: **1 point** for every question.
  - Grade:  $\max\left(9 \cdot \frac{(P-1)}{12} + 1, 1\right)$ , where  $P$  denotes the total number of points.
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1. Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices with  $n \geq 2$  such that all the entries  $(AB)_{ij}$  of  $AB$  are strictly positive. Which of the following matrices must be invertible?

A. None      B. Only A      C. Only B      D. A and B

**Answer:** A.

2. Determine the last column of the reduced echelon form of  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & -6 & 6 \\ 3 & -4 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 6 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

A.  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$     B.  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$     C.  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$     D.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$     E.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$     F.  $\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$     G.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$     H.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**Answer:** A.

3. Find the determinant of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 7 & 6 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 & 1 \\ 8 & 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

A. 6      B. 4      C. 2      D. 0      E. -2      F. -4      G. -6      H. -8

**Answer:** G.

4. Suppose the equation  $A^T B^{-1} (C^T + X)^T = C$  holds for invertible matrices  $A, B, C$ . Solving for  $X$  gives that  $X$  is equal to:

A. $X = C^T(B^T A^{-1} - I)$	B. $X = C^T(A^{-1} B^T - I)$
C. $X = (B^T A^{-1} + I)C^T$	D. $X = (A^{-1} B^T + I)C^T$
E. $X = (B^T A^{-1} - I)C^T$	F. $X = C^T(A^{-1} B^T + I)$
G. $X = (A^{-1} B^T - I)C^T$	H. None of the above

**Answer:** B.

5. Calculate the inverse of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  if it exists. Then the sum of all the entries of  $A^{-1}$  is equal to:

A. -3      B. -2      C. -1      D. 0      E. 1      F. 2      G. 3      H.  $A$  is not invertible

**Answer:** D.

6. Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear transformation satisfying  $T\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $T\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Calculate  $T\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ :

- A.  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$     B.  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$     C.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$     D.  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$     E.  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$     F.  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$     G.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$     H.  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

**Answer:** G.

7. For which values of  $\alpha$  is the system  $\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 3 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & -4 & \alpha & 4 \end{array} \right]$  consistent and has the solution exactly 1 free variable?

- A.  $\alpha \neq 1$     B.  $\alpha \neq -1$     C.  $\alpha \neq 2$     D.  $\alpha \neq -2$   
 E.  $\alpha \neq 3$     F.  $\alpha \neq -3$     G.  $\alpha \neq 4$     H.  $\alpha \neq -4$

**Answer:** E.

8. Find the second *row* of the standard matrix of the transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  that first rotates counter clockwise over  $\frac{\pi}{6}$  around the origin and then reflects vectors across the  $x_1$ -axis:

- A.  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} \\ -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$     B.  $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} \\ -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$     C.  $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$     D.  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

**Answer:** C.

9. For which value of  $\alpha$  is the dimension of the span of the following vectors less than 3?

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

- A. 4    B. 3    C. 2    D. 1    E. 0    F. -1    G. -2    H. -3

**Answer:** H.

10. Let  $A$  be a  $9 \times 11$  matrix with rank 6. What is the dimension of the null space of  $A$ ?

- A. 0    B. 1    C. 2    D. 3    E. 4    F. 5    G. 6    H. 7

**Answer:** F.

11. If  $A$  is an invertible  $4 \times 4$  matrix that satisfies the property  $A^4(A^{-1})^T = -2A^T$ , then find all the possible values for  $\det A$ :

- A. -4, 4, 0    B. -4    C. 4    D. -4, 4  
 E.  $-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}$     F.  $\sqrt{2}$     G.  $-\sqrt{2}i, \sqrt{2}i$     H. 0

**Answer:** D.

12. Suppose that  $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{a}_2 \mathbf{a}_3 \mathbf{a}_4 \mathbf{a}_5]$  is row equivalent to  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Which of the sets  $\mathcal{B}_1 = \{\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_4, \mathbf{a}_5\}$  and  $\mathcal{B}_2 = \{\mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3, \mathbf{a}_4, \mathbf{a}_5\}$  are a basis for  $\text{Col}(A)$ ?

- A. none of these      B.  $\mathcal{B}_1$  and  $\mathcal{B}_2$       C. only  $\mathcal{B}_1$       D. only  $\mathcal{B}_2$

**Answer:** B.

13. Calculate the coordinate vector  $[\mathbf{w}]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$  of the vector  $\mathbf{w}$  with respect to the basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2\}$ , where  $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $x_2$  is given by:

- A. -3      B. -2      C. -1      D. 0      E. 1      F. 2      G. 3      H. 4

**Answer:** F.