

- It's not allowed to use a calculator or a mathematical table.
- Each answer should be clearly motivated.
- Your grade is obtained by rounding  $(\text{score}+4)/4$  to one decimal place.
- Points:

Ex. 1	4	Ex. 2	4	Ex. 3	3	Ex. 4	4	Ex. 5a	2
								Ex. 5b	2
								Ex. 5c	2
Ex. 6	4	Ex. 7	4	Ex. 8	3	Ex. 9	4		

1. Suppose  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are real constants such that  $a$  is not zero and the system

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 & = f \\ x_1 + (a+1)x_2 + 3x_3 & = g \\ bx_2 + cx_3 & = h \end{cases}$$

is consistent for all possible values of  $f$ ,  $g$  and  $h$ . What does this imply for the numbers  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ ?

2. Find the solutions of the linear system whose augmented matrix is given by

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & -3 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 9 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{ and write this solution set in } \textit{parametric vector form}.$$

3. Let  $\underline{a}_1$ ,  $\underline{a}_2$  and  $\underline{a}_3$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $5\underline{a}_2 = 2\underline{a}_1 - 4\underline{a}_3$  and  $A = [\underline{a}_1 \ \underline{a}_2 \ \underline{a}_3]$ , so  $\underline{a}_1$ ,  $\underline{a}_2$  and  $\underline{a}_3$  are the columns of matrix  $A$ . Find a solution of the homogeneous linear system  $A\underline{x} = \underline{0}$ . (Hint: recall the definition of the product of a matrix and a vector)

4. Determine the value(s) of  $a$  such that  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} a \\ a+2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is linearly independent.

5. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & -7 \\ -3 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  and let  $T$  be the corresponding matrix transformation.
- Find all vectors  $\underline{x}$  that are mapped into  $\underline{0}$  by transformation  $T$  (so find the null space of  $T$ ).
  - Is transformation  $T$  onto?
  - Is transformation  $T$  one-to-one?
6. Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be the linear transformation that first reflects vectors about the  $x_1x_2$  - plane and then rotates vectors about the  $x_2$  - axis through  $\pi$  radians. Find the standard matrix of  $T$ .
7. Determine  $a$  and  $d$  such that matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 1 & d \end{bmatrix}$  has the property  $A^2 = A$ .
8. Find  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\begin{bmatrix} 2x & 7 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -7 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .
9. Prove or disprove: if  $A$  is an  $2 \times 2$  - matrix such that  $A^2 = 0$  then  $A = 0$  (of course by 0 is meant the zero matrix with size  $2 \times 2$ ).