

FIRST PRACTICE MIDTERM EXAM

- (12 points) **1.** Use an augmented matrix to solve this system of linear equations.

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 - 3x_2 &= 5 \\ -x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 &= 2 \\ x_2 + x_3 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- (12 points) **2.** Find the general solution of the system whose augmented matrix is give here.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & -4 & 2 & 0 \\ -9 & 12 & -6 & 0 \\ -6 & 8 & -4 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

- (12 points) **3.** Determine whether \mathbf{b} is a linear combination of \mathbf{v}_1 , \mathbf{v}_2 , and \mathbf{v}_3 .

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 11 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (12 points) **4.** Given A and \mathbf{b} , write the augmented matrix for the linear system that corresponds to the matrix equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$. Then solve the system and write the solution as a vector.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ -2 & -4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (14 points) **5.** Write the solution of the given homogeneous system in parametric vector form (using λ , μ , etc.).

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 &= 0 \\ -4x_1 - 9x_2 + 2x_3 &= 0 \\ -3x_2 - 6x_3 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- (14 points) **6.** Determine whether the columns of this matrix form a linearly independent set.

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

- (12 points) **7.** Given the matrix A , define the linear mapping T by $T\mathbf{x} = A\mathbf{x}$. Find a vector \mathbf{x} whose image under T is \mathbf{b} . Say whether or not \mathbf{x} is unique.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (12 points) **8.** The map T from \mathbf{R}^2 to \mathbf{R}^4 satisfies $T(\mathbf{e}_1) = (2, 1, 2, 1)$, $T(\mathbf{e}_2) = (-5, 2, 0, 0)$. [Here $\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2$ are the columns of the 2×2 identity matrix.] Find the standard matrix of T .