

**MATH 208 Test 2, Spring 2020****Directions:**

- Do not use any notes, books, the internet, or other sources of information.
  - You may use a calculator for arithmetic calculations.
  - Use notation conventions as described in class.
  - You have 55 minutes. You must work alone; do not communicate with any other person.
  - To receive full credit, you must **show all relevant work to completely justify your answer.**
  - 105 points possible, graded out of 100 points.
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1. (20 pts) Show the row operations a Gaussian Elimination algorithm would use to put this matrix in RREF.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 & 10 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 7 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

No fractions should appear.

**Answer:**  $R_3 \leftarrow 2R_1, R_2 \leftrightarrow R_4, \frac{1}{5}R_3, R_4 \leftarrow R_3, R_3 \leftarrow 2R_4, R_2 \leftarrow 7R_4, R_1 \leftarrow 2R_3$

2. (10 pts) Let  $x$  be solution to a linear system with this augmented matrix:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

If  $1 \cdot x = 30$  (i.e. the sum of the entries of  $x$  is 30), then find  $x$ .

Hint: find any solution, and then scale it (this works only if homogeneous)

**Answer:** let the free variable  $x_3 = 1$ , which implies  $x_1 = -3$  and  $x_2 = -4$ .  $x = \frac{30}{-6} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 20 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$

3. (9 pts) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 2 & 6 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find a matrix  $D$  such that each column of  $AD$  is a unit vector.

**Answer:** the length's of  $A$ 's columns are 3, 7, 9 respectively, so scale them via  $D = \text{diag}(1/3, 1/7, 1/9)$

4. (5 pts) If  $ABC$  is a  $7 \times 4$  matrix,  $A$  is square, and  $C$  has two rows, then what is the size of  $B$  ?

**Answer:** make sure the inner dimensions match:  $(7 \times 7)(7 \times 2)(2 \times ?)$ , so  $B$  is  $7 \times 2$

5. (18 pts) Consider these matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Compute  $BA$

**Answer:**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 7 & 8 \\ 4 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) Compute  $x^T(A - 2I)x$

**Answer:**  $(1 \times 3)(3 \times 3)(3 \times 1)$  gives a  $1 \times 1$ , which turns out to be 188

6. (8 pts) Let  $x$  and  $y$  be column vectors with outer product:

$$xy^T = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 8 \\ * & 12 \\ 54 & * \end{bmatrix}$$

(where the \* entries are a mystery). If  $x_1 = 2$ , write the vectors  $x$  and  $y$ .

**Answer:**  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

7. (6 pts) This augmented matrix is equivalent (via elementary row operations) to the given RREF.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & b_1 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & b_2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & b_3 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

Find the vector  $b$ .

**Answer:** multiply  $b = Ax = [21; 29; 10]$

8. (12 pts) Label each statement as generally TRUE or FALSE.

(a) matrix multiplication is commutative

**Answer:** false

(b) matrix multiplication is associative

**Answer:** true

(c) if  $A$  is symmetric and  $B$  is symmetric, then  $AB$  is symmetric

**Answer:** false, you can see this with a simple  $2 \times 2$  example

(d) if  $A$  and  $B$  are both upper triangular, then  $AB$  is upper triangular

**Answer:** true

(e) if  $x$  solves a homogenous linear system, then  $2x$  solves the system

**Answer:** true, if  $Ax = \vec{0}$  then  $A(2x) = \vec{0}$

(f) if  $A$  is square, then  $\frac{1}{2}(A + A^T)$  is symmetric

**Answer:** true

9. (10 pts) Three entities transfer gold amongst themselves so that the equilibrium distribution satisfies  $Ax = x$  where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} .1 & .3 & .4 \\ .3 & .2 & .5 \\ .6 & .5 & .1 \end{bmatrix}$$

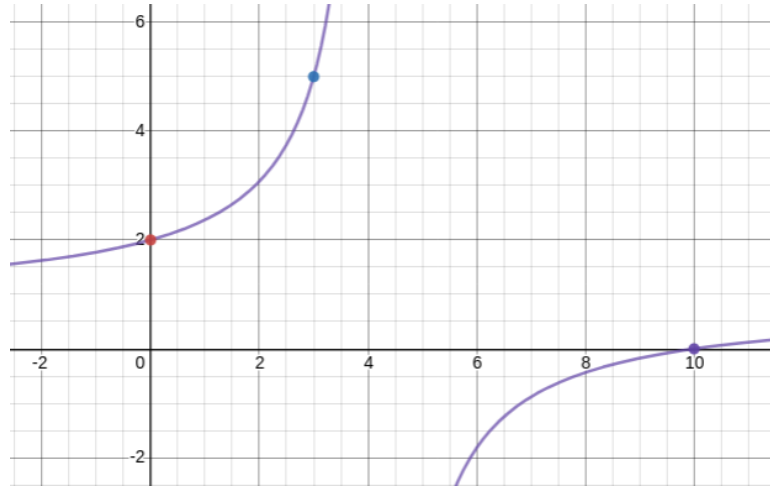
If  $x_1 = 47$  and  $x_3 = 63$ , then find  $x_2$ . (Hint: you do not have to row reduce  $A - I$ ).

**Answer:** the first row of  $Ax = x$  says  $(.1)(47) + .3x_2 + (.4)(63) = 47$ , so  $x_2 = 57$

10. (10 pts) Consider designing a function of the form:

$$y = \frac{ax - b}{x - c}$$

so that it passes through the points  $(0, 2)$ ,  $(3, 5)$ , and  $(10, 0)$  as pictured here:



Write the augmented matrix describing a linear system you could solve for  $a, b$ , and  $c$ . (do not solve).

**Answer:** plug-in to get  $2 = \frac{0-b}{0-c}$ , or  $b - 2c = 0$

$5 = \frac{3a-b}{3-c}$ , or  $15 - 5c = 3a - b$

$0 = \frac{10a-b}{10-c}$ , or  $10a - b = 0$

put those three equations into the matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 5 & 15 \\ 10 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$