

## QUIZ SOLUTIONS

## QUIZ 1

- (1) Indicate whether the following matrices are in row echelon form, row-reduced echelon form, or neither.

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Answer:** (a) echelon, (b) neither, (c) reduced

- (2) Solve the following systems of equations:

$$(a) \begin{cases} -y + z = 3 \\ x - y - z = 0 \\ -x - z = -3 \end{cases} \quad \text{Answer: } x = 1, y = -1, z = 2$$

$$(b) \begin{cases} x_1 + x_3 = 1 \\ x_2 - x_3 = -1 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 2 \end{cases} \quad \text{Answer: No solution}$$

## QUIZ 2

A matrix  $A$  and its reduced form  $R$  are as follows:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & v_4 & v_5 & v_6 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 7 & -2 & 4 & 8 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$  be the column vectors of  $A$ .

- (1) What is  $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6\}$ ? Explain. **Answer:**  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , since every row of  $R$  has a leading one.
- (2) Find a smaller subset of these vectors whose span is  $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6\}$ . **Answer:** For example,  $\{v_1, v_2, v_4\}$ . This set spans  $\mathbb{R}^3$  too.
- (3) Is  $v_5$  a linear combination of the other vectors? **Answer:** Yes. The reduced form of the augmented matrix for the equation  $c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + c_4v_4 = v_5$  is

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

Hence  $c_1 = -1$ ,  $c_2 = 4$ ,  $c_4 = 2$  and  $-v_1 + 4v_2 + 2v_4 = v_5$ .

- (4) Is  $v_6$  in  $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_3\}$ ? If so, write  $v_6$  as a linear combination of  $v_1$  and  $v_3$ . **Answer:** No. The reduced form of the augmented matrix for the equation  $c_1v_1 + c_3v_3 = v_6$  has a leading one in the last column:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 7 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (5) Is  $v_6$  in  $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_4\}$ ? If so, write  $v_6$  as a linear combination of  $v_1$  and  $v_4$ . **Answer:** Yes. The reduced form of the augmented matrix for the equation  $c_1v_1 + c_4v_4 = v_6$  has no leading one in the last column. From the reduced form we get  $c_1 = 2$  and  $c_4 = -1$ , so  $v_6 = 2v_1 - v_4$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 7 & 8 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**QUIZ 3**

A matrix  $A$  and its reduced form  $R$  are as follows:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & v_4 & v_5 & v_6 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 7 & -2 & 4 & 8 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$  be the column vectors of  $A$ .

- (1) Is  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6\}$  independent? Explain. **Answer:** No, since not every column of  $R$  has a leading one. OR Any set of more than 3 vectors of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is dependent.
- (2) Find two vectors from  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6\}$  that are dependent. **Answer:**  $\{v_2, v_3\}$  since each is a multiple of the other (or since  $2v_1 + v_2 = 0$ ).
- (3) Is  $\{v_1, v_3, v_6\}$  independent? If not, write a nontrivial linear combination of these vectors that is zero. **Answer:** Yes. The reduced form of the matrix whose columns are  $v_1, v_2$  and  $v_6$  has a leading one in each column.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 7 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (4) Is  $\{v_1, v_4, v_6\}$  independent? If not, write a nontrivial linear combination of these vectors that is zero. **Answer:** No. The reduced form of the matrix whose columns are  $v_1, v_4$  and  $v_6$  has no leading one in the last column.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 7 & 8 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

From the reduced matrix we get the equation  $2v_1 - v_4 - v_6 = 0$ .

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**QUIZ 4**

- (1) Find the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  **Answer:**  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- (2) For the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , find its reduced form  $R$  and a matrix  $P$  such that  $R = PA$ .

$$\text{Answer: } R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (3) With  $A$  and  $R$  as in (2), find a matrix  $Q$  such that  $A = QR$ .

$$\text{Answer: } Q = P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**QUIZ 5**

- (1) What is the standard matrix for  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $T \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x - z \\ y - x \end{bmatrix}$ ?

**Answer:**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

- (2) Suppose  $T$  is linear,  $T \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $T \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $T \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$ .

**Answer:**  $T \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- (3) Find the standard matrix for  $T$  from Question (2).

**Answer:**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

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**QUIZ 6**

Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $U : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be defined by

$$T \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x + y + z \\ x - y \end{bmatrix} \quad U \left( \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} u + v \\ u - v \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (1) Is  $T$  one-to-one? Explain. **Answer:** No. The standard matrix for  $T$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Since this matrix has more columns than rows, it is not possible that each column of the reduced form have a leading one. Hence  $T$  is not one-to-one.
- (2) Is  $U$  onto? Explain. **Answer:** No. For example, the vector  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is not  $U$  of any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
- (3) Is  $T \circ U$  invertible? Explain. **Answer:** Yes. The standard matrix for  $T \circ U$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , an obviously invertible matrix. Hence  $T$  is invertible.
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**QUIZ 7**

- (1) For which  $c$  is the following matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & c \\ 0 & c & -15 \end{bmatrix}$  NOT invertible? **Answer:**  $c = 3, -5$
- (2) Calculate the determinant of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 & -10 & -6 \\ 3 & -2 & 10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . **Answer:** 18