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## Directions

- Please check that your exam contains a total of 6 pages.
- Write complete solutions or you may not receive credit.
- This exam is closed book. You may use one  $8.5 \times 11$  sheet of notes and a calculator.
- You may not share notes or calculators. You may not use a graphing calculator or any electronic device other than a calculator.
- If you need more room, use the backs of the pages and indicate to the reader that you have done so.
- Raise your hand if you have a question.

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1. (8 points) Find the <u>vector form</u> of the general solution to the following system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_4 = 7\\ x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3 - x_4 = 2\\ 3x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 2 \end{cases}$$

2. (10 total points) Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\vec{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -7 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ 

(a) (4 points) Compute BA and  $B\vec{\mathbf{x}}$ .

(b) (3 points) Is A singular or nonsingular? Explain your answer.

(c) (3 points) Are A and B row equivalent? Explain your answer.

- 3. (8 total points)
  - (a) (4 points) Under what condition is the following set of vectors linearly independent? Express your answer in terms of a, b, and c.

| ∫ | 1 | ] | $\begin{bmatrix} b \end{bmatrix}$ | ]] |
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(b) (4 points) Is the following set of vectors linearly dependent or independent? Explain your answer.

| ſ | $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  |   | 1  |   | $\begin{bmatrix} 3\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$         |   |
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| { | $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ | , | $\begin{array}{c} -1\\ 0\\ 2\end{array}$ | , | $\begin{bmatrix} 3\\ -1\\ 0\\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ | } |

4. (11 total points) Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) (6 points) Find the inverse of A.

(b) (5 points) Find  $(A^T B)^{-1}$ .

- 5. (8 total points) We say that a matrix A is **skew-symmetric** if  $A^T = -A$ . Recall that a matrix B is **symmetric** if  $B^T = B$ . Prove the following (relatively unrelated) facts:
  - (a) (4 points) If  $A = (a_{ij})$  is a skew-symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix then every entry  $a_{ii}$  along the main diagonal is zero.

(b) (4 points) If A is a skew-symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix, then  $A^2$  is symmetric.