MATH 220 MIDTERM I Spring 2017

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Duration of the examination is 110 minutes, starting at 15:40 and ending at 17:30.

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1	2	3	4	Total
25	25	25	25	100

1. (25 points) Consider the following system of linear equations. Find for which values of c the system has a solution. For these values write solutions using parameters. You are expected to solve this problem using matrix methods, i.e., Gauss-Jordan elimination, by reducing the augmented matrix to reduced row echelon form. Do not use elimination method.

$$2x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 - x_4 + 2x_5 = -2$$

$$x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 - x_4 + x_5 = -2$$

$$2x_1 - x_3 + 3x_4 + x_5 = 3$$

$$x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = c + 2$$

2. (25 points) Find the inverse A^{-1} of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

using row operations. Solve the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ for the matrix $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\5\\1\\3 \end{bmatrix}$ using A^{-1} .

3. a) (12 points) Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Calculate det(A).

b) (13 points) Let *B* be a 5×5 -matrix such that $\det(B) = 2$. Let *C* be the matrix obtained from *B* by multiplying its second column by -7. Let *D* be the matrix obtained from *B* by replacing its first row with its fourth row (Caution: replacing not interchanging !). Find the determinants $\det(B^{-1})$, $\det(C)$, $\det(D)$, $\det(BC)$, and $\det(B+C)$.

4. (a) For each of the statements below indicate whether the statement is always true or sometimes false. Justify your answer with a logical argument (for true statements) or give a counterexample (for false statements).

(i) (5 points) Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices. If AB is invertible, then both A and B are invertible.

(ii) (5 points) If A is an $n \times n$ matrix such that $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has infinitely many solutions, then there is a nonzero matrix C such that AC = 0.

(iii) (5 points) If A and B are invertible $n \times n$ matrices, then $(A+B)^{-1} = A^{-1} + B^{-1}$.

4. (b) (10 points) The trace $\operatorname{Tr}(A)$ of an $n \times n$ matrix $A = (a_{ij})$ is defined as the sum of its diagonal entries, that is, $\operatorname{Tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ii}$. Show that for every elementary matrix E, the equality $\operatorname{Tr}(AE) = \operatorname{Tr}(EA)$ holds.