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Technology used: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Directions:** Be sure to include in-line citations, including page numbers if appropriate, every time you use a text or notes or technology. Include a careful sketch of any graph obtained by technology in solving a problem. **Only write on one side of each page.**

**The Problems**

1. Do **one** of the following

(a) We are told that a certain  $5 \times 5$  matrix  $A$  can be written as

$$A = BC$$

where  $B$  is  $5 \times 4$  and  $C$  is  $4 \times 5$ . Explain how you know that  $A$  is not invertible.

(b) The definition of the orthogonal complement of a subspace  $V$  of  $\mathbf{R}^n$  is the set,  $V^\perp$ , of all vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  that are perpendicular to every vector in  $V$ . Suppose that  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$  is a basis for  $V$ . Show that  $\vec{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$  is in  $V^\perp$  if and only if  $\vec{x}$  is orthogonal to each of the  $m$  basis vectors of  $V$ . That is, show the vector  $\vec{x}$  satisfies

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \text{ for every } \vec{v} \in V \text{ if and only if } \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{x} = \dots = \vec{v}_m \cdot \vec{x} = 0.$$

(c) For two invertible  $(n \times n)$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ , determine which of the following formulas are **necessarily** true.

- i.  $(A + B)^2 = A^2 + 2AB + B^2$ .
- ii.  $(A - B)(A + B) = A^2 - B^2$ .
- iii.  $ABB^{-1}A^{-1} = I_n$ .
- iv.  $ABA^{-1} = B$
- v.  $(ABA^{-1})^3 = AB^3A^{-1}$ .

2. Do **one** of the following.

(a) Is the set  $W = \left\{ \vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 \\ -x_1 + 3x_2 - 4x_3 \\ 5x_1 - 2x_2 \end{bmatrix} : x_1, x_2, x_3 \in \mathbf{R} \right\}$  a subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^3$ ? Explain.

(b) Let  $V$  be a subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^n$  and let  $A$  be an  $(m \times n)$  matrix. Is the set  $W = \{ \vec{x} \in V : A\vec{x} = \vec{\theta} \}$  a subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ ? Explain. [Note:  $W$  is **not** the null-space of  $A$ . ]

3. Given the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 & 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 12 & 7 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , show that  $\text{rank}(A) + \text{nullity}(A) = 5$  by computing both  $\text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{nullity}(A)$ .

4. Let  $A$  be an  $(m \times m)$  non-singular matrix, and let  $B$  be an  $(m \times n)$  matrix.

(a) Prove that  $N(AB) = N(B)$  (where  $N(C)$  denotes the null-space of  $C$ )

(b) Use part a. to prove that  $\text{rank}(AB) = \text{rank}(B)$ .

5. Use the Gram-Schmidt process to generate an orthogonal set from the given linearly independent vectors.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$