

## **Math 415. Exam 2. October 26, 2017**

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1. (5 points) Let  $\mathcal{B} := \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2\}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $\mathbf{b}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Let  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  and let  $c_1, c_2$  be scalars such that  $\mathbf{v} = c_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{b}_2$ . What is  $c_2$ ?

- (A)  $\frac{5}{\sqrt{2}}$
  - (B)  $\star \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$
  - (C)  $-\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$
  - (D)  $-3$
  - (E) There is not enough information to determine  $c_2$
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**Solution.** From page 4, Lecture 18, since the basis is orthonormal we obtain that  $c_2 = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{b}_2 = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$ .

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2. (5 points) Let  $H$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^6$  such that  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4\}$  is a basis of  $H$ . What is the dimension of  $H$ ?

- (A) It cannot be determined from the given information
  - (B) ★ 4
  - (C) 6
  - (D) 3
  - (E) 2
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**Solution.** By definition, the dimension of a vector space  $H$  is the number of elements in a basis of  $H$ . Thus,  $\dim H = 4$ .

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3. (5 points) Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with rank  $r$ . Which of the following statements is always true?

The maximal number of linearly independent vectors orthogonal to the row space of  $A$  is equal to

- (A) ★ the number of free variables of  $A$ .
  - (B)  $r$ .
  - (C)  $m - r$ .
  - (D) the dimension of the column space of  $A^T$ .
  - (E) the dimension of the left null space of  $A$ .
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**Solution.** The row space of  $A$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  of dimension  $r = \text{rank}(A)$ . Its orthogonal complement has dimension  $n - r$ , which is the number of free variables of  $A$ . The orthogonal complement of the row space of  $A$  is the null space of  $A$ .

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4. (5 points) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Which one of the following sets is a basis for  $\text{Col}(A)$ ?

(A)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(B)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(C) None of the other answers.

(D)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(E) ★  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

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**Solution.** The third column is redundant since  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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5. (5 points) Let  $M_{2\times 2}$  be the vector space of  $2 \times 2$  matrices. Consider the subspace  $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} : a = b = c \right\}$  of  $M_{2\times 2}$ . What is the dimension of  $W$ ?

- (A) 4
  - (B) None of the other answers
  - (C) 1
  - (D) ★ 2
  - (E) 3
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**Solution.** A basis of  $W$  is given by  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

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6. (5 points) For which values of  $h$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ h \end{bmatrix}$  in the column space of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix} ?$$

- (A) For all values of  $h$
  - (B) Only for  $h = 10$
  - (C) For no values of  $h$
  - (D) Only for  $h = 0$
  - (E) ★ Only for  $h = 2$
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**Solution.** To answer this question, we have to check for which values of  $h$  the system

$A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ h \end{bmatrix}$  is consistent. So we form an augmented matrix and row reduce:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & h \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 10 & h \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & h-2 \end{array} \right]$$

This system is only consistent if  $h - 2 = 0$ , i.e. if  $h = 2$ .

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7. (5 points) Consider the two matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Which of the following statements is correct?

- (A)  $\text{Col}(A) \neq \text{Col}(B)$  and  $\text{Col}(A^T) = \text{Col}(B^T)$
  - (B)  $\text{Col}(A) = \text{Col}(B)$  and  $\text{Col}(A^T) = \text{Col}(B^T)$
  - (C) ★  $\text{Col}(A) = \text{Col}(B)$  and  $\text{Col}(A^T) \neq \text{Col}(B^T)$
  - (D)  $\text{Col}(A) \neq \text{Col}(B)$  and  $\text{Col}(A^T) \neq \text{Col}(B^T)$
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**Solution.** Since  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = -2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $\text{Col}(A) = \text{Col}(B)$ . Since  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is in  $\text{Col}(B^T)$ , but not in  $\text{Col}(A^T)$ , we get  $\text{Col}(A^T) \neq \text{Col}(B^T)$ .

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8. (5 points) Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Which of the following statements is always true?

- (A) ★ If  $\mathbf{x}$  is a non-zero vector in the null space of  $A$ , then  $\mathbf{x}$  is not in the row space of  $A$ .
  - (B) If  $\mathbf{x}$  is in the column space of  $A$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  is in the row space of  $A$ , then  $\mathbf{x}$  is orthogonal to  $\mathbf{y}$ .
  - (C) If  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{Nul}(A)$  and  $\mathbf{y} \in \text{Nul}(A^T)$ , then  $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = 0$ .
  - (D) If  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{Nul}(A)$  and  $\mathbf{y} \in \text{Col}(A)$ , then  $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = 0$ .
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**Solution.** The null space of  $A$  and the row space of  $A$  are orthogonal complements of each other. Therefore, their intersection is the zero vector, and  $\mathbf{x}$  is assumed to be a non-zero vector. Vectors in the null space of  $A$  are not generally in the same space as vectors in the column space of  $A$ . Similarly vectors in the null space of  $A$  and  $A^T$ , and for vectors in the row space and column space.

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9. (5 points) Which of the following sets of vectors is an **orthonormal basis** for  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ?

(A) None of the other answers

(B) ★  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(C)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(D)  $\left\{ \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(E)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

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**Solution.** We need 4 vectors (since we want a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ) that all have length 1, and have dot product zero among distinct elements.

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10. (5 points) Let  $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2a \\ a \end{bmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ . Which one of the following is a basis of  $W^\perp$ ?

(A)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(B) None of the other answers.

(C)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(D)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(E) ★  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

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**Solution.** Notice that as  $\dim(W) = 1$ ,  $\dim(W^\perp) = 2$ . The vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  are orthogonal to  $W$  and linearly independent. Thus  $W^\perp = \text{span}(\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\})$ .

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11. (5 points) Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_d\}$  be a set of  $d$  vectors in the vector space  $V$ . If the vectors in  $\mathcal{B}$  span  $V$ , then which of these statements is **false**?

- (A)  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis of  $V$  if the dimension of  $V$  is  $d$ .
  - (B)  $\dim(V) \leq d$ .
  - (C)  $\star \dim(V) > d$ .
  - (D) The vectors in  $\mathcal{B}$  are linearly independent if the dimension of  $V$  is  $d$ .
  - (E) A subset of the vectors in  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis of a subspace of  $V$ .
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**Solution.** If the dimension of  $V$  is  $d$  and we have a set of  $d$  vectors which span it, then this set is a basis, and its vectors are linearly independent. If they are not linearly independent, then a subset of  $\mathcal{B}$  is linearly independent and spans  $V$ . This subset has  $d' < d$  vectors, and the dimension of  $V$  is  $d'$  which is less than  $d$  in this case.

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12. (5 points) Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with  $m < n$ . Consider the following two statements:

- I.  $\dim \text{Col}(A) + \dim \text{Nul}(A) = n$ .
- II.  $\dim \text{Col}(A^T) + \dim \text{Nul}(A^T) = n$ .

Which one of these statements is always true?

- (A) Statement I and Statement II.
  - (B) Statement II only.
  - (C) ★ Statement I only.
  - (D) Neither of Statements I or II.
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**Solution.** For any matrix  $A$ ,  $\dim \text{Col}(A) + \dim \text{Nul}(A) = r + (n - r) = n$  and  $\dim \text{Col}(A^T) + \dim \text{Nul}(A^T) = r + (m - r) = m$ , where  $r$  is the rank of matrix  $A$ . Since  $m < n$ , only statement I is true.

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13. (5 points) Consider the bases  $\mathcal{A} = (\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2)$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\mathcal{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_3, \mathbf{b}_4)$  of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$  be given by

$$T(\mathbf{a}_1) = \mathbf{b}_3, \quad T(\mathbf{a}_2) = -8\mathbf{b}_3 + 6\mathbf{b}_4.$$

Which of the following matrices is  $T_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}}$ ?

(A)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

(B) ★  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -8 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

(C)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -8 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

(D) Not enough information to tell

(E)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -8 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

**Solution.** The columns of  $T_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}}$  are given by  $[T(\mathbf{a}_1)_{\mathcal{B}} \ T(\mathbf{a}_2)_{\mathcal{B}}]$ . Note that  $T(\mathbf{a}_1)_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , since  $T(\mathbf{a}_1) = 0\mathbf{b}_1 + 0\mathbf{b}_2 + \mathbf{b}_3 + 0\mathbf{b}_4$ , and that  $T(\mathbf{a}_2)_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$ , since  $T(\mathbf{a}_2) = 0\mathbf{b}_1 + 0\mathbf{b}_2 - 8\mathbf{b}_3 + 6\mathbf{b}_4$ .

14. (5 points) Let  $\mathbb{P}_n$  be the vector space of all polynomials of degree at most  $n$ . Let  $T : \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_1$  be defined by

$$T(p(t)) = -2 \frac{d}{dt} p(t)$$

and let  $\mathcal{A} = (1 + t, t^2, 1 - t)$  and  $\mathcal{B} = (1, t)$  be bases for  $\mathbb{P}_2$  and  $\mathbb{P}_1$  respectively. Which one of the following matrices is  $T_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}}$ ?

(A) None of the other answers.

(B) ★  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(C)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(D)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

(E)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

**Solution.** From Sections 3 and 4, Lecture 17, we obtain that

$$T_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}} = [T(1+t)_{\mathcal{B}} \ T(t^2)_{\mathcal{B}} \ T(1-t)_{\mathcal{B}}] = [(-2)_{\mathcal{B}} \ (-4t)_{\mathcal{B}} \ 2_{\mathcal{B}}] = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

15. (5 points) Let  $V$  be a vector space that is spanned by three linearly independent vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$ . Which of the following vectors form a basis of  $V$ ?

- (A) None of the other answers.
  - (B) ★  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2 - \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_3$ .
  - (C)  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_2 - \mathbf{v}_1$ .
  - (D)  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_3$ .
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**Solution.** We know already from the statement of the question that  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$  is a basis of  $V$  and so  $\dim(V) = 3$ . Thus, we are looking for a set of three linearly independent vectors spanning  $V$ . Among the given choices only  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2 - \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_3\}$  satisfies these properties.

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16. (5 points) Consider the matrix

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

What is the dimension of  $\text{Nul}(A^T)$ ?

- (A) 3
  - (B) 0
  - (C) 4
  - (D) ★ 1
  - (E) 2
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**Solution.**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R3 \rightarrow R3 - 2R2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R4 \rightarrow R4 - R3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then  $r = \text{rank}(A) = 3$  and  $\dim \text{Nul}(A^T) = 4 - r = 4 - 3 = 1$ .

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17. (5 points) Consider the following  $2 \times 2$ -matrices

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

Then  $\mathcal{B} = \{B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4\}$  is a basis of  $M_{2 \times 2}$ , the vector space of  $2 \times 2$  matrices. Let

$M$  be the  $2 \times 2$ -matrix whose coordinate vector with respect to this basis  $\mathcal{B}$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .  
Which matrix is  $M$ ?

(A)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

(B)  $\star \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

(C)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(D)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

(E) None of the other answers.

**Solution.** From the definition of coordinate vector, it follows that

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

18. (5 points) Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a linear transformation. Let  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be such that

$$T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \text{and there exists a vector } \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ such that } T(\mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{y}.$$

Let  $A$  be the matrix representing  $T$  with respect to the standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (that is,  $A = T_{\mathcal{E}\mathcal{E}}$ ). Consider the following statements.

- I.  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{Nul}(A)$ .
- II. For every vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $A\mathbf{v} = T(\mathbf{v})$ .
- III.  $\mathbf{y} \in \text{Col}(A)$ .

Which of the statements are ALWAYS TRUE?

- (A) I. and II. only
  - (B) I. only
  - (C) I. and III. only
  - (D) II. only
  - (E) ★ I., II., and III.
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**Solution.** Because  $A$  is the matrix of  $T$  with respect to the standard basis, for any  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $T(\mathbf{v}) = A\mathbf{v}$ . In particular, if  $T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ , so  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ . Therefore  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{Nul}(A)$ . Also,  $A\mathbf{z} = T(\mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{y}$ , so  $\mathbf{y} \in \text{Col}(A)$ .

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