

## QUESTIONS - I

- 1) Find all solutions of the system  $x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 2$   
 $2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 = -1$   
 $4x_1 - x_2 + 5x_3 = 5$  if they exist.

- 2) Consider the following system:  $kx + y + z = 1$   
 $x + ky + z = 1$   
 $x + y + kz = 1$

What should  $k$  be if the system a) has no solution,  
 b) infinitely many solutions,  
 c) exactly one solution?

- 3) It is known that the system  $x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 5$   
 $3x_1 + 2x_2 - 4x_3 + 7x_4 = k + 4$   
 $x_1 + x_2 - x_3 + 2x_4 = k - 1$

has a solution. What should  $k$  be? Find all solutions.

- 4) If  $A = (a_{ij})$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, then the trace of  $A$ ,  $\text{Tr}(A)$ , is defined the sum of all elements on the main diagonal of  $A$ , i.e.  $\text{Tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$ . Show the following:

- a)  $\text{Tr}(cA) = c \text{Tr}(A)$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$   
 b)  $\text{Tr}(A+B) = \text{Tr}(A) + \text{Tr}(B)$   
 c)  $\text{Tr}(AB) = \text{Tr}(BA)$   
 d)  $\text{Tr}(A^T) = \text{Tr}(A)$   
 e)  $\text{Tr}(A^T A) \geq 0$ .

- 5) If  $(3A^T + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix})^T = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then find  $A$ .

- 6) Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Show that  $I_n + A^T A$  is symmetric.

- 7) If  $A, B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices such that  $A, B, A+B$  are all idempotent (i.e. satisfy  $X^2 = X$ ). Prove that  $AB = -BA$  and  $AB = 0$ . (Hint. Consider  $ABA$ )

- 8) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix and  $I$  be the  $n \times n$  identity matrix.

a) If  $A^3 = 0$ , verify that  $(I - A)^{-1} = I + A + A^2$ .

b) Find the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  by using (a).

c) If  $A^n = 0$ , find the formula for  $(I - A)^{-1}$ .

- 9) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ . Show that  $A$  is nonsingular if and only if  $ad - bc \neq 0$ .

- 10) Let  $A$  be a diagonal matrix,  $A = \text{diag}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ . If  $a_i \neq 0$  for all  $i$ , show that  $A$  is invertible. What is its inverse?