# Homework 5, Section 1.5: 1, 4, 6, 15, 18, 24, 25, 26, 28-31

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# Homework

#### 1.

RREF Matrix 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 17/8 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3/4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $x_1 = -17/8, x_2 = 3/4 \text{ and } x_3 \text{ is a free variable.}$ 

This means that Ax = 0 has the form:  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -17/8 \\ 3/4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

#### 4

RREF Matrix 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3/5 & 2/5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -16/29 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $x_2 = 16/29(x_3), x_1 = 3/5(x_2) - 2/5(x_3)$ . Clearly  $x_3$  is a free variable which means that the given system Ax = 0 has a non-trivial solution

#### 6.

RREF Matrix 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $x_2 = x_3, x_1 = x_3$ . The general solution of Ax = 0 has the form:  $X = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

#### **15**.

The general solution takes the form:  $X = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  Now, solving for  $x_1$  in terms of the free variables, the general solution of  $x_1$  is  $x_1 = -2 - 5x_2 + 3x_3$ .

This means the general solution is:  $X = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

18.

RREF Matrix 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $x_1 = 5 - 2x_2 + 3x_3, x_2 = -1 + x_3, x_1 = 7 + x_3$ . The general solution of Ax = 0 has the form:  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

# 24. A)

The statement is false. A system of linear equation is said to be homogeneous if it can be written in the form Ax = 0.

# 24. B)

The statement is false. If x is a non-trivial solution of Ax = 0, then at least one entry in x is non-zero.

# 24. C)

The statement is true. The effect of adding p to a vector v is to move v in a direction parallel to the line through p and o.

# 24. D)

The statement is true. If x = 0 and b = 0 then Ax = 0.

# 24. E)

The statement is true. If Ax = b is consistent, then the solution set of Ax = b is obtained by translating the solution set of Ax = 0

- 25. A)
- 25. B)
- 25. C)

26.

Given A, in which it is a 3x3 Zero Matrix, let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  now, since 0 + 0 = 0, the the matrix equals zero. Therefore, the solution set is all vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ 

- 28. A)
- 28. B)
- 29. A)

A has three pivot positions. A does not have pivot positions in all four rows. One row not having pivot positions means that the equation Ax = b does not have a solution for every possible b in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

## 29. B)

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# 30. A)

A is a 2x5 matrix and has two pivot positions. Hence it is non-trivial.

## 30. B)

A has 2 pivot positions and A has a pivot in every row, so the equation Ax = b has a solution for every b.

## 31. A)

Non-trivial

- 31. B)
- 31. C)
- 31. D)