

## Assignment 1

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### Question 1

The following statement is true or false?

- An inconsistent system has more than one solution
- Elementary row operations on an augmented matrix never change the solution set of the linear system
- If  $AB = O$ , then  $A = O$  or  $B = O$
- $A^2 - I^2 = (A + I)(A - I)$
- $(A + B)^2 = A^2 + 2AB + B^2$

### Question 2

Determine whether the following linear systems are equivalent or not.

$$1) \begin{cases} x - y + 2z = 1 \\ 2x + y + z = 8 \\ x + y = 5 \end{cases} \qquad 2) \begin{cases} x + y = 5 \\ x + z = 3 \\ y - z = 2 \end{cases}$$

### Question 3

For the following system of the linear equations

$$\begin{cases} 4x_1 + 5x_2 + 3x_3 + 3x_4 + 4x_5 = -5 \\ 2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 + x_5 = -3 \\ 3x_1 + 4x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = -1 \end{cases}$$

- 1) Write down the coefficient matrix and the augmented matrix
- 2) Solve the system by Gauss-Jordan elimination

#### Question 4

If following linear system has nonzero solutions, find the value of  $k$ .

$$\begin{cases} 3x + ky + z = 0 \\ 4y + z = 0 \\ kx - 5y - z = 0 \end{cases}$$

#### Question 5

Here is a linear system,

$$\begin{cases} x + 4y - 2z = 1 \\ x + 7y - 6z = 6 \\ 3y + pz = q \end{cases}$$

- 1) Find the value of  $p$  and  $q$  to make the system has no solution
- 2) Find the value of  $p$  and  $q$  to make the system has only one solution
- 3) Find the value of  $p$  and  $q$  to make the system has infinitely many solutions

#### Question 6

Find  $b$  such that the homogeneous system  $Ax = 0$  has infinitely many solutions.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & b \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Question 7

How to choose the value of  $a$  and  $b$  to make the following system

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 2 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + ax_3 = -1 \\ 2x_1 + 3x_2 = b \end{cases}$$

- 1) has no solution
- 2) has only one solution
- 3) has infinitely many solutions

### Question 8

Suppose the following linear system exists at least one solution. Try to find the solution and the value of  $a$ .

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + ax_3 = 0 \\ x_1 + 4x_2 + a^2x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 = a - 1 \end{cases}$$

### Question 9

One may raise a square matrix to any non-negative integer power multiplying it by itself repeatedly in the same way as for ordinary numbers. That is,

$$A^0 = I$$

$$A^1 = A$$

$$A^k = \underbrace{AA \cdots A}_{k \text{ times}}$$

Suppose

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

Calculate the value of  $A^k$

### Question 10

If  $A = A^T$  and  $B = B^T$ , which of the following matrices are symmetric?

(a)  $A^2 - B^2$

(b)  $(A + B)(A - B)$

(c)  $ABA$

(d)  $ABAB$

### Question 11

Let  $a = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A = ab^T$ , then what is the value of  $A^{11}$ ?

### Question 12

If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , find the value of  $A^8 - 6400I$ .

### Question 13

Suppose  $A^k = 0$ , calculate  $(I - A)(I + A + A^2 + \dots + A^{k-1})$ .

### Question 14

Suppose the size of the the following matrices are  $2 \times 2$ , give a example to show the following results are false:

- (a)  $AB = O$ , then  $A = O$  or  $B = O$ .
- (b)  $AB - BA = 0$ , then  $A = B$ .

### Question 15

Suppose the size of the the following matrices are  $2 \times 2$ , give a example to show the following results are false:

- (a)  $A^2 = O$ , then  $A = O$ .
- (b)  $A^2 = A$ , then  $A = O$  or  $A = I$ .

### Question 16

Please give an exmple to show following statement is false  
 $(A - B)^2 = O$  implies  $A = B$ .

### Question 17

Prove that: if  $A$  is a real square matrix, and  $A^T A = O$ , then  $A = O$

### Question 18

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times n$  square matrices,  $A^2 = A$  and  $(A + B)^2 = A^2 + B^2$ . Prove that  $AB(A + I) = O$ .

### Question 19

Let

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

Compute  $A^2$  and  $A^3$ . What will  $A^{2n}$  and  $A^{2n+1}$  turn out to be?

### Question 20

Let  $\alpha$  is a 3 dimensional column vector, if  $\alpha\alpha^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , find the value of  $\alpha^T\alpha$