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Calculus and Linear Algebra for Graduate Students MDE-MET-01

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1. [5 points] The rank of a matrix A is the number of its pivot columns or equivalently, the dimension of $\operatorname{Col} A$. Show that the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & -3 \\ 2 & 8 & 6 \\ -3 & -12 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

has rank 1.

2. [10 points] Fill out these matrices so that they have rank 1:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & & \\ 4 & & \end{pmatrix}, \qquad B = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & & \\ 1 & & \\ 2 & 6 & -3 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad C = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & & \end{pmatrix}.$$

3. [5 points] Let A be a square matrix. Do A^2 and A always have the same nullspace?

4. [5+5+5 points] Find a basis of Nul A and a basis of Col A for the following matrices:

(a)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 6 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. [5 points] An $n \times n$ matrix is invertible, if and only if it has rank n. Explain, why this is true.

6. [5+5 points] For a given collection of vectors, determine whether they form a basis or not.

(a)
$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 3\\1\\-1\\2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 8\\-2\\4\\1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -6\\4\\-3\\3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

(b)
$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1\\2\\3\\4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4\\-3\\2\\-1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2\\4\\-6\\-8 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1\\1\\1\\1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$