1) Express the following matrices as the product of elementary matrices.

a) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

b) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- 2) Express the following matrices in problem (1) into echelon form and find their row rank.
- 3) Express the following matrices in problem (1) into row reduced echelon form and what does it mean if a square matrix has full rank?
- 4) Identify which of the following matrices is in echelon form? If not, then use the row operations to transform the following matrices in echelon form.

a) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 5) State true or false and justify your answers.
  - a) Is identity matrix an elementary matrix?
  - b) Can zero matrix be represented as a product of elementary matrices?
  - c) Let A be  $m \times n$  matrix then  $\rho(A) > \max\{m, n\}$ .
  - d) Every matrix is row equivalent to unique row reduced echelon matrix.