Problem 1.1 (15 points; 3 points each). Decide if each of the following is true or false.

(a)  $\underline{\text{True}}$  For A and B invertible matrices,

$$((AB)^{-1})^T = (A^{-1})^T (B^{-1})^T$$

- (b) <u>True</u> (i) implies (ii) where:
  - i. B = EA for some invertible matrix E.
  - ii.  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \iff B\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ , that is, NS(A) = NS(B).

(c) False If A is a  $3 \times 5$  matrix, then rref(A) has at lest 3 pivot columns.

(d) False If  $A^2 = O$ , then A = O.

(e) False For A a  $3 \times 6$  matrix, let E be the matrix so that EA is the result of the row operation  $2R_2 - 3R_1 \rightarrow R_3$  applied to A. Then the second row of E is  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Problem 1.2** (25 points). Solve Ax = 0 for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 4 & 6 & -3 & 14 \\ 5 & 9 & 1 & 12 & 19 \\ 4 & 3 & 5 & -3 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

Follow the procedure discussed in class

- (10 points) Use elementary row ops to reduce to an echelon matrix.
- (10 points) Write down the resulting triangular system and use back-substitution to solve.
- (5 points) Write out your solution as a linear combination of vectors.

Reduction to echelon form requires 3 row manipulations:

This part is 10/25 points.

So  $x_3$ ,  $x_4$ , and  $x_5$  are all free. Back substitution gives

$$x_{5} = r$$

$$x_{4} = s$$

$$x_{3} = t$$

$$-x_{2} + t - 3s - r = 0 \rightarrow x_{2} = t - 3s - r$$

$$x_{1} + (t - 3s - r) + t + 3r = 0 \rightarrow x_{1} = -2t + 3s - 2r$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2t + 3s - 2r \\ t - 3s - r \\ t \\ s \\ r \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + r \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This final answer is the remaining 5/25 points.