## Math 2B: Applied Linear Algebra

True/False For the problems below, circle T if the answer is true and circle F is the answer is false.

| 1.  | Т | F            | The non-pivot columns of a matrix are always linearly dependent on the other columns of that matrix.  |
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| 2.  | Т | F            | If matrices $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ are row equivalent, they have the same reduced echelon form.   |
| 3.  | Т | F            | By interchanging two rows of a matrix (i.e. by multiplying by transposition matrices), we can change the location of the pivot positions in the RREF form of the matrix.                              |
| 4.  | Т | F            | The equation $A\mathbf{x} = 0$ has only the trivial solution $\mathbf{x} = 0$ if and only if there are no free variables.   |
| 5.  | Т | F            | An elementary matrix must be square and invertible.   |
| 6.  | Т | F            | The column index of the pivot columns of a matrix can be changed using row oper-<br>ations on the matrix.   |
| 7.  | Т | $\mathbf{F}$ | Any $n \times n$ elementary matrix (dilation, shear, permutation) has at least n nonzero entries and at most $n + 1$ nonzero entries.   |
| 8.  | Т | F            | Sometimes the linear dependence relationships between columns of a matrix will be affected by elementary row operations on that matrix.   |
| 9.  | Т | F            | Every matrix is row equivalent to a unique matrix in echelon form.  |
| 10. | Т | F            | Given a matrix $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ in echelon form, a basis for the $\operatorname{Col}(B)$ can be generated<br>using the pivot columns of $B$ (the columns with a single nonzero entry). |
| 11. | Т | F            | If A is a $3 \times 3$ matrix with three pivot positions, there exist elementary matrices $E_1, E_2,, E_t$ such that $E_t \cdots E_2 E_1 A = I_3$ .   |
| 12. | Т | F            | A free variable in a linear system corresponds to a non-pivot column in the coefficient matrix of the linear system.  |

| 13. | Т | F | The echelon form of a matrix is unique.  |
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| 14. | Т | F | A basic variable in a linear system corresponds to a pivot column in the coefficient matrix of the linear system.  |
| 15. | Т | F | Solving linear systems using elementary row reductions is equivalent to changing a matrix equation using linear combinations on the rows of that matrix.   |
| 16. | Т | F | Suppose $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ for some $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If $A(i, :) = B(i, :)$ for some $i \in \{1, 2,, m\}$ then A must be row equivalent to $B$ .  |
| 17. | Т | F | Performing row operations on matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ via multiplication by a sequence<br>of elementary matrices $E_1, E_2,, E_t \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ can change the linear dependence<br>relationships between the columns of $A$ . |
| 18. | Т | F | If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is row equivalent to a matrix $U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ in echelon form, and if the matrix $U$ has $k$ nonzero rows, then the dimension of the solution space for $A\mathbf{x} = 0$ is $m - k$ .                  |
| 19. | Т | F | If two matrices are row equivalent, then they have the same number of rows.  |
| 20. | Т | F | If the matrix equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is transformed into matrix equation $C\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{d}$ via elementary row operations, then the solutions sets of both equations are identical.   |
| 21. | Т | F | If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is row equivalent to $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and the columns of $A$ span $\mathbb{R}^m$ then so do the columns of $B$ .   |
| 22. | Т | F | Every elementary row operation is reversible.  |
| 23. | Т | F | Two matrices are row equivalent if they have the same number of rows.  |
| 24. | Т | F | We only use row reduction techniques on augmented matrices associated with some linear system.   |

| 25. | Т | F | Consider the linear systems problem   |
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|     |   |   | $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  |
|     |   |   | where matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and vector $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ are given and vector $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is unknown<br>and desired. Suppose we apply elementary row operations on our linear system<br>$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ to produce a new linear system $C\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{d}$ . Then, the solution sets to these two<br>linear systems are identical. |
| 26. | Т | F | The row reduced echelon form of a matrix is not unique. In other words, in some cases, a matrix may be row reduced to more than one matrix in reduced row echelon form using a different sequence of row operations.  |
| 27. | Т | F | There are two steps to reducing a matrix to reduced row echelon form including:<br>Step 1: Forward Phase- the reduction of the matrix to row echelon form<br>Step 2: Backward Phase- the reduction of the row echelon form of the<br>matrix into reduced row echelon form.  |
| 28. | Т | F | There are three conditions that every matrix in row echelon form must satisfy.  |
| 29. | Т | F | If $B$ is an echelon form of $A$ , then the pivot columns of $B$ form a basis for the column space of $A$ .   |
| 30. | Т | F | There are three types of elementary row reductions we will use to solve linear systems.   |
| 31. | Т | F | Every matrix is row equivalent to a unique matrix in row echelon form.  |
| 32. | Т | F | Every matrix is row equivalent to a unique matrix in reduced row-echelon form.  |
| 33. | Т | F | Suppose we are given  |

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \qquad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then, there exists an  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $||A \cdot \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}||_2 = 0$ 

 $Multiple\ Choice\ \ {\rm For\ the\ problems\ below,\ circle\ the\ correct\ response\ for\ each\ question.}$ 

1. Let the matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 5}$  be given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let  $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ . Which of the following is true:

- A. The codomain of T is  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .
- B. The range of T is the same as the codomain.
- C. T is one-to-one.
- D. T is a bijection.
- E. None of these.

For the next four problems, assume that the matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 6}$  is given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -5 & -2 & 6 & 14 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 & 7 & 12 \\ 2 & 4 & -5 & 1 & -5 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 4 & -14 & -24 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 2. Find $\operatorname{RREF}(A)$ :

$$A. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -5 & -2 & 6 & 14 \\ 2 & 4 & -5 & 1 & -5 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 & 7 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 4 & -14 & -24 \end{bmatrix} B. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} C. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2.5 & 0.5 & -2.5 & -0.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -3.5 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} D. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} E. \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Which of the following vectors in NOT a solution to  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ ?

| A. $\begin{bmatrix} -2\\1\\0\\0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$ B. $\begin{bmatrix} 3\\0\\1\\-1\\0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$ | C. $\begin{bmatrix} 7\\0\\1\\0\\2\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$ | D. $\begin{bmatrix} -4\\2\\0\\0\\0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 9\\0\\3\\-3\\0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$ | E. $\begin{bmatrix} 6\\0\\2\\-2\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -7\\0\\-1\\0\\-2\\-2\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$ |
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4. Which of the following sets of vectors are linearly dependent? Choose all that apply.

A.  $\{A(:,1), A(:,3), A(:5)\}$ D.  $\{A(:,1), A(:,4), A(:5)\}$ E.  $\{A(:,2), A(:,3), A(:6)\}$ E.  $\{A(:,2), A(:,4), A(:6)\}$ 

5. Find dim(Nul(A)) + dim(Nul(A<sup>T</sup>)) : A. 1 B. 2 C. 3 D. 4 E. 5 6. Which of the following must be true? Choose all that apply. A. rank  $(A^T) = 3$  B. Col  $(A^T) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^6$  C.  $(AA^T)^{-1}$  exists D.  $(A^TA)^{-1}$  exists E. Col(A) =  $\mathbb{R}^3$  For the next three problems, assume that the matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 7}$  is given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & -5 & -2 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 10 & 5 & 10 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 & 0 & 8 & 4 & 12 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 7. Find $\operatorname{RREF}(A)$ :

| А. | $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0\end{bmatrix}$ | ${3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 }$ | $ \begin{array}{c} -2.5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array} $ | $\begin{array}{c} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | 5<br>1<br>0<br>0   | $\begin{array}{c} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{bmatrix} 0.5 \\ 1.0 \\ 0.5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} B.$                          | $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$ | $     \begin{array}{c}       3 \\       0 \\       0 \\       0     \end{array} $ | $egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | 4<br>2<br>0<br>0                           | $     \begin{array}{c}       2 \\       1 \\       0 \\       0     \end{array} $ | $egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | $     \begin{array}{c}       1.0 \\       0.0 \\       0.5 \\       0.0     \end{array}     $ | C.  | $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$            | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0 | $egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0 | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0 | $egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ |
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|    |   | D                          | $0. \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$        | $\begin{array}{c} -3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | 2<br>2<br>1<br>0<br>0<br>0                       | $\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & -1.0 \\ 0 & 0.0 \\ 1 & 0.5 \\ 0 & 0.0 \end{array} \right]$ |  | ]   | E.  | $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$                                   | $egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cccc} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}$                            | $\begin{array}{c} 2\\ 1\\ 0\\ 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 1.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.5 \\ 0 \end{array}$ |                  |   |                  |                  |   |  |

8. How many linearly independent solutions are there to the homogeneous linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ :

A. 1 B. 3 C. 4 D. 5 E. 7

9. Which of the following is NOT a solution for the linear-systems problem  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ ?

|    | [-3] | [4] | $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \end{bmatrix}$ | $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \end{bmatrix}$ | $\begin{bmatrix} 1.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.0 \end{bmatrix}$          |
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|    | 1    | 0   | 0                                  | 0                                 | 0.0  |
|    | 0    | 2   | -1                                 | 0                                 | 0.0  |
| А. | 0    | B1  | C. 0                               | D. 0                              | E. 0.0   |
|    | 0    | 0   | 1                                  | 0                                 | 0.0  |
|    | 0    | 0   | 0                                  | 1                                 | 0.5  |
|    |      |     |                                    | $\lfloor -2 \rfloor$              | E. $\begin{bmatrix} 0.0\\ 0.0\\ 0.5\\ 1.0 \end{bmatrix}$ |

## Free Response

- 1. Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . Recall the definition of the Nul(A) and Col(A).
- 2. Consider the following matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 & -5 & -2 & 4 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 10 & 0 & 15 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 & 0 & 8 & 4 & 18 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

- A. Transform A into U = RREF(A) using elementary row operations. Show your steps.
- B. Prove that the linearly dependence relations between the columns of U are identical to the linear dependence relations on the columns of A.
- C. Using information found in U, specifically identify the linearly independent columns of A.
- D. Using information found in U, specifically identify the linearly dependent columns of A. Then, for each linearly dependent column of A, write this column as a linear combination of the previous columns.
- 3. Transform the general linear-systems problem:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 5\\ 2 & 6 & 0 & 4 & 4 & 0\\ 1 & 3 & 3 & 5 & 5 & 15\\ 2 & 6 & 0 & 4 & 7 & 9 \end{bmatrix}}_{A} \cdot \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1\\ x_2\\ x_3\\ x_4\\ x_5 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -3\\ -4\\ -5\\ -13 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{b}}$$

into an equivalent system  $U \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$  where U = RREF(A).

4. What is our strategy to solve the general linear-systems problem? Compare and contrast this strategy with the technique we used to solve the square linear-systems problem.