

Practice Exam 3

1) (a)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) $(\det(A^4)) = (\det A)^4$
so $\det A = 0$.

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

(c) $(1, 1, 1), (2, 2, 2), (3, 3, 3), (4, 4, 4),$
 $(5, 5, 5), (6, 6, 6)$

(d)
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(e) No such c exists. Consistent if $c=0$,
if $c \neq 0$, then

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & c & c \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \frac{1}{c} R_3$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_1 - R_3 \\ R_2 - R_3 \end{array}$$

which is consistent

(f) No such A exists, since if A is invertible,
then $(A^2)^{-1} = A^{-1}A^{-1}$.

(g) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(h) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$2) (a) \operatorname{tr}(A^2 B (A^{-1})^2) = \operatorname{tr}(A^2 (A^{-1})^2 B) \\ = \operatorname{tr}(B) = 1 + 2 + 0 + 1 = 4$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{so } A^{100} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ too.}$$

$$(c) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det A = 0 \text{ since columns 1 and 3 are the same.}$$

$$(d) M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -10 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -10 & -7 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -10 & 2-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ -10 & -7 & -2-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} \quad \leftarrow \text{lower triangular}$$

$$\det M = (1-\lambda)(2-\lambda)(-2-\lambda)(-\lambda)$$

$$\text{invertible when } \det M \neq 0. \quad \boxed{\lambda \neq 0, -2, 2, 1}$$

$$(e) \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_1 - 3R_3 \\ R_2 - R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

↑
free variable

$$(s, -2s, s) = s \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3) (a) \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_4 - R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right] \frac{1}{2} R_4$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_2 + R_4 \\ R_3 - R_4 \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_1 + R_3 \\ \\ -R_3 \\ \end{array}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 2 & -1 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1}Ax = A^{-1}b$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 2 & -1 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -b_1 + b_2 + \frac{1}{2}b_3 - \frac{1}{2}b_4 \\ \frac{1}{2}b_3 + \frac{1}{2}b_4 \\ 2b_1 - b_2 - \frac{1}{2}b_3 + \frac{1}{2}b_4 \\ -\frac{1}{2}b_3 + \frac{1}{2}b_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$4) (a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 - R_1 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_1 + \frac{1}{2}R_3 \\ R_2 - R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_1 - 2R_2 \\ \frac{1}{2}R_3 \end{array}$$

Since A is square and row equivalent to the identity, it is invertible, so $Ax=0$ only has the trivial solution (so the columns of A are linearly independent) and $Ax=b$ has a unique solution for each b (so the columns of A span \mathbb{R}^3).

(b) If the columns of a square matrix are linearly independent, then $Ax=0$ has only the trivial solution. So A is invertible and hence $Ax=b$ has a unique solution for each b . So the columns of A span \mathbb{R}^3 .

5) $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

$f(-1) = 1, f(1) = 1, f(2) = 0$

$1 = a(-1)^2 + b(-1) + c$

$1 = a(1)^2 + b(1) + c$

$0 = a(2)^2 + b(2) + c$

$$\begin{cases} a - b + c = 1 \\ a + b + c = 1 \\ 4a + 2b + c = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{ccc|c} a & b & c & \\ \hline 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 & -4 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 - 4R_2 \end{array} \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & -4 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \\ R_2 + R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{4}{3} \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2}R_2 \\ -\frac{1}{3}R_3 \end{array} \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{4}{3} \end{array} \right] R_1 + R_2$$

$$\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{4}{3} \end{array} \right] R_1 - R_3 \quad a = -\frac{1}{3}, b = 0, c = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$f(x) = -\frac{1}{3}x^2 + \frac{4}{3}$$

This quadratic polynomial is unique since $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ has the identity matrix as its reduced row echelon form. So the system has a unique solution by the Invertible Matrix Theorem.