

## MATH 54 - HINTS TO HOMEWORK 2

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Here are a couple of hints to Homework 2! Enjoy :)

### SECTION 1.7: LINEAR INDEPENDENCE

**1.7.1.** The easiest way to do this is to form the matrix whose columns are the given vectors and see if there is a pivot in each row!

**1.7.3.** Notice the second vector is  $-3$  times the first vector!

**1.7.15, 1.7.17.** A set with more than 2 elements in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is always linearly dependent. A set with the zero-vector is always linearly dependent.

**1.7.21.**

- (a) **F** (the equation  $Ax = \mathbf{0}$  **always** has the trivial solution, no matter what the columns of  $A$  look like!)
- (b) **F** (for example,  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  doesn't satisfy this! The correct statement should be: there is **some** vector such that  $\dots$ )
- (c) **T** (in other words, 5 vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  are linearly dependent)
- (d) **T** (otherwise the set would be linearly independent)

**1.7.33, 1.7.34, 1.7.37.** Remember that a set is linearly dependent if there's a relationship between the vectors in the set. Also, a set with the zero vector is always linearly dependent.

**1.7.36. False** (choose  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{v}_4$  and  $\mathbf{v}_3$  linearly independent from  $\mathbf{v}_1$ ! The point is for linear independence, you have to consider the set as a whole!)

**1.7.37. True**

### SECTION 2.1: MATRIX OPERATIONS

**2.1.7.** Remember the rule  $(m \times n) \bullet (n \times p) = (m \times p)$ .

**2.1.9.** Write out  $AB$  and  $BA$  and solve for  $k$  in  $AB = BA$ .

**2.1.13.**  $[Qr_1 \cdots Qr_p] = Q[r_1 \cdots r_p]$ . Think of this in terms of how you multiply matrices! **Remember this for later on, it will be useful!**

**2.1.15.**

- (a) **F** (oh, life would be awesome if this was true! But  $\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{a}_2$  doesn't even make sense!)
- (b) **F** (the columns of  $\mathbf{A}$  using weights from the column of  $\mathbf{B}$ )
- (c) **T**
- (d) **T**
- (e) **F** (in the *reverse* order,  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$ )

**2.1.16.**

- (a) **F** (that doesn't even make sense because  $AB$  has to be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix! The  $+$  shouldn't be there!)
- (b) **F** (column, not row)
- (c) **F** (in general  $BC \neq CB$ )
- (d) **F** (it's  $B^T A^T$ )
- (e) **T** (that's just a lengthy way of saying  $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$ )

**2.1.23.** Multiply the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  by  $C$ .

**2.1.25.** On the one hand,  $CAD = (CA)D = ID = D$ , on the other hand  $CAD = C(AD) = CI = C$ , hence  $C = D$

## SECTION 2.2: THE INVERSE OF A MATRIX

**2.2.1.** Use theorem 4.

**2.2.5.** Use the fact that if  $A$  is invertible, and  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , then  $\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$ .

**2.2.9.** All statements are true, except for (b), because  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ .

**2.2.10.**

- (a) **F** (*reverse* order,  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ )
- (b) **T** ( $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$ )
- (c) **T** (because then  $ad - bc = 0$ )
- (d) **T** (this follows from the Invertible Matrix Theorem, see next section)
- (e) **F** (reduce  $I$  to  $A^{-1}$ )

**2.2.13.** Multiply the equation  $AB = AC$  on the left by  $A^{-1}$ . Not true in general, consider for example  $A$  to be  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B$  and  $C$  any two matrices!

**2.2.18.**  $B = P^{-1}AP$

## SECTION 2.3: CHARACTERIZATIONS OF INVERTIBLE MATRICES

**2.3.3, 2.3.5.** Row-reduction is the key!

**2.3.11, 2.3.12, 2.3.18, 2.3.22, 2.3.24.** Just look at theorem 8! If one of those statements holds, then all of them hold!