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## MATH 2050 SOLUTIONS

1. i. The system is 
$$Ax = b$$
 with  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 5 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$ .  
ii. We have  $[A|I] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{\rightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $x = A^{-1}b = \frac{1}{2}\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 5 \\ -7 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 6 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -2 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -2 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -2 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{1}{=} \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -2$ 

4.

$$AC^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 19 & -14 & -2 \\ 10 & -11 & 5 \\ -6 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -23 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -23 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -23 \end{bmatrix}.$$
  
(b) det  $A = -23$   
(c)  $A^{-1} = -\frac{1}{23} \begin{bmatrix} 19 & -14 & -2 \\ 10 & -11 & 5 \\ -6 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}.$   
Since  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, C^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$  so  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A}C^{T} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
Thus  $A = (A^{-1})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & -\frac{2}{5} \\ \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$ 

5. Expanding by cofactors of the second column gives

$$\det A = \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{array} \right| + \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{array} \right| + \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{array} \right| = 7 - 1 - 5 = 1.$$

- 6.  $\det A^T B^{-1} A^3 (-B) = (\det A^T) (\det B^{-1}) (\det A^3) (\det -B) = (\det A) \frac{1}{\det B} (\det A)^3 (-\det B) = (2) \frac{-1}{5} (8) (5) = -16.$
- 7. (a) We compute det *B* using the Laplace expansion down the third column.

det 
$$B = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 10 + (-8) = 2.$$

Now we obtain (easily) that det  $\frac{1}{3}B = (\frac{1}{3})^3 \det B = \frac{2}{27}$  and det  $B^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det B} = \frac{1}{2}$ . (b) Let *C* be the cofactor matrix. We have  $B = A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A}C^T$ , so  $C^T = (\det A)B$ . Now det  $A = \frac{1}{\det A = 1} = \frac{1}{2}$ . Thus  $C^T = (\det A)B$ 

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{det} A - \frac{\operatorname{det} A^{-1} - \operatorname{det} B}{\operatorname{det} A^{-1}} = \frac{\operatorname{det} B}{\operatorname{det} A} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \operatorname{det} B = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \operatorname{det} B = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \operatorname{det} A = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \operatorname{det} A = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \operatorname{det} B = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \operatorname{det} A = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= -5 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -5 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{7}{4} \end{vmatrix} = -5(-4)(\frac{7}{4}) = 35.$$

$$9. \begin{vmatrix} 2p & -a+u & 3u \\ 2q & -b+v & 3v \\ 2r & -c+w & 3w \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2p & 2q & 2r \\ -a+u & -b+v & -c+w \\ 3u & 3v & 3w \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(3) \begin{vmatrix} p & q & r \\ -a+u & -b+v & -c+w \\ u & v & w \end{vmatrix} = 6 \begin{vmatrix} p & q & r \\ -a & -b & -c \\ u & v & w \end{vmatrix} = -6 \begin{vmatrix} p & q & r \\ a & b & c \\ u & v & w \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -(-6) \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ p & q & r \\ u & v & w \end{vmatrix} = 6(5) = 30.$$

10.  $v_1$  is not an eigenvector: an eigenvector is, by definition, **not zero**.

$$Av_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 5\\4\\4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is not  $\lambda v_{2}$  for any scalar  $\lambda$ , so  $v_{2}$  is not an eigenvector.  

$$Av_{3} = v_{3}$$
, so  $v_{3}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$ .  

$$Av_{4} = -2v_{4}$$
, so  $v_{4}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$ .  

$$Av_{5} = 5v_{5}$$
, so  $v_{5}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$ .  

$$Av_{6} = \begin{bmatrix} 12\\8\\6 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is not  $\lambda v_{6}$  for any scalar  $\lambda$ , so  $v_{6}$  is not an eigenvector.

11. (a) The characteristic polynomial of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 3 & 2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 4 = (\lambda + 1)(\lambda - 4).$$

The eigenvalues of *A* are -1 and 4. To find the eigenspace for  $\lambda = -1$ , we solve the homogeneous system  $(A - \lambda I)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  for  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ . With  $\lambda = -1$ , we have

$$A - \lambda I = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

The solutions are  $x_2 = t$ ,  $x_1 = -t$ . The corresponding eigenspace consists of vectors of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} -t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

To find the eigenspace for  $\lambda = 4$ , we solve the homogeneous system  $(A - \lambda I)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  for  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ . With  $\lambda = 4$ , we have

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2\\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & \frac{2}{3}\\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The solutions are  $x_2 = t$ ,  $x_1 = \frac{2}{3}t$ . The corresponding eigenspace consists of vectors of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3}t\\t \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3}\\1 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 2\\3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b) The characteristic polynomial of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 & -6 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  is

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 - \lambda & -6 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = -\lambda^3 + 6\lambda^2 - 12\lambda - 8 = -(\lambda - 2)^3.$$

The only eigenvalue of *A* is  $\lambda = 2$ . To find the corresponding eigenspace, we solve the homogeneous system  $(A - \lambda I)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  for  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$  with  $\lambda = 2$ . We have

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 3\\ 2 & 4 & -6\\ 1 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 3\\ 0 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The solutions are  $x_3 = t$ ,  $x_2 = s$ ,  $x_1 = -2s + 3t$ . The eigenspace consists of vectors of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} -2s + 3t \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

12. We are given  $Ax = \lambda x$  with  $x \neq 0$ . Since A is invertible,  $Ax \neq 0$ , so  $\lambda \neq 0$ . Multiplying  $Ax = \lambda x$  by  $A^{-1}$  gives  $x = \lambda A^{-1}x$ , so  $A^{-1}x = \frac{1}{\lambda}x$ . Thus x is also an eigenvector of  $A^{-1}$ , and with eigenvalue  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ .