## Assignment 3

Attempt all questions and show all your work. Due October 30, 2015.

1. Simplify each of the following matrix expressions, or state why it can't be done.

(a) 
$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right)^T$$
  
(b)  $\left( (I_2)^2 + (I_3)^2 \right)^T$   
(c)  $3I_3^2 - (5I_3)^T + \left( (2I_3)^2 \right)^T$ .

2. A linear system of equations has 4 variables, a, b, c, and d. The RREF of the augmented matrix for this system is

1	-2	0	1	-1	
0	0	1	3	2	
0	0	0	0	0	•
0	0	0	0	0	

Find three different solutions for this system.

3. Solve the following system using the strict textbook version of Gaussian elimination:

4. Solve the following systems by putting their augmented matrices into RREF.(a)

5. Find all values for a and b such that  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -a & a \\ b & -b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

6. Find  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$a\begin{bmatrix}1\\0\\0\end{bmatrix}+b\begin{bmatrix}0\\1\\2\end{bmatrix}+c\begin{bmatrix}5\\-3\\-1\end{bmatrix}=\begin{bmatrix}22\\-13\\-1\end{bmatrix}.$$

Use any method and show all your work.

7. Consider the following augmented matrix for a linear system of equations:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & a^2 - 4 & a - 2 \end{array}\right]$$

Find **all values** for *a* that will result in this system having **infinitely many solutions**. Justify your answer.

- 8. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find all values for k such that  $(kA)^T(kA) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- 9. Find an example of two matrices A and B such that  $(AB)^T \neq A^T B^T$ . Justify your answer.
- 10. What can be said about the number of solutions to a system of equations given that the RREF of the coefficient matrix contains a zero row? Explain and justify your answer as appropriate.
- 11. Let A and B be two matrices and let  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $r \neq 0$ . Prove that if rA = rB, then A = B.
- 12. Let A be a matrix, **b** a column matrix. Let  $\mathbf{x}_0$  and  $\mathbf{x}_1$  both be solutions to the system of equations  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ . Prove that  $\mathbf{x}_0 \mathbf{x}_1$  is a solution to the homogeneous system of equations  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .
- 13. Show that any two matrices which commute with

$$M = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1\\ -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

also commute with each other.