

**UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**  
MATH 1300 Vector Geometry & Linear Algebra  
Midterm Examination  
February 28, 2008 5:30-6:30 PM

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS:**

*Fill in all the information above*

*This is a 1 hour exam.*

*No calculators, texts, notes, cellphones or other aids are permitted.*

*Show your work clearly for full marks.*

*This exam has 7 questions on 4 numbered pages, for a total of 60 points. There is also 1 blank page for rough work. You may remove the blank page if you want, but do not remove the staple. **Check now** that you have a complete exam.*

*Answer all questions on the exam paper in the space provided. If you need more room, you may continue your work on the **reverse** side of the page, but **clearly indicate** that your work is continued there.*

*If a question calls for a specific method, no credit will be given for other methods.*

- [9] 1. Consider the linear system:

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + 3x_2 + 6x_4 &= 4 \\x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 - 2x_4 &= 8\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Find the general solution to this system using Gauss-Jordan elimination.

- (b) Find a solution to the above system with  $x_2 = -2$  and  $x_4 = 3$ .

[8] 2. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

In each part below, evaluate the expression or state that it does not exist. If the expression does not exist, give a reason.

(a)  $AB + C$

(b)  $AC + B$

(c)  $BC + A$

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- [9] 3. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $A^{-1}$  by the method of row reduction. Show all your work.

Write your final answer where indicated at the bottom of the page. (*No Credit* for any other method.)

Answer:  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} & & \\ & & \\ & & \end{bmatrix}$

[9] 4. Express  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  as a product of elementary matrices. Show all your work.

[9] 5. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ -4 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and assume  $B$  is another  $3 \times 3$  matrix with  $\det(B) = 5$ .

(a) Find  $\det(A)$ , by expansion along row 2. (*No Credit* for any other method.)

(b) Find the determinant of  $BAB^T$ .

(c) Find the determinant of  $(2B)A^{-1}$ .

- [8] 6. Use Cramer's rule to solve the following system. (*No Credit* for any other method)

$$4x - 2y = 4$$

$$3x + y = 3$$

- [8] 7. Assume that the augmented matrix of a certain linear system can be reduced to

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & a & b \end{array} \right]$$

with elementary row operations.

Determine all values of  $a$  and  $b$  (if any) for which this system

(a) has **no** solutions:

(b) has a **unique** solution:

(c) has **infinitely many** solutions:

(d) In case (c), determine the **general solution**.