

SOLUTIONS TO PSET 4

1. a) (5 points) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ so this matrix is invert-

ible. Therefore, the column space consists of all vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 , and no nontrivial linear combo. of the rows can be zero.

b) (5 points) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & b_1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & b_2 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 & b_3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & b_1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & b_2 - b_1 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 & b_3 - 2b_1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & b_1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & b_2 - b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & b_3 - 2b_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

So the column space consists of $\{(b_1, b_2, b_3) | b_3 - 2b_2 = 0\}$. The last two rows are linearly dependant.

2. a) (5 points) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 11 & 5 \\ -1 & 2 & 10 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 6 & 10 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ therefore $2 =$

$rk(A) = rk(A^t)$.

b) (5 points) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & q \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & q-1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & q-2 \end{pmatrix}$. So the rank is

3 if $q \neq 2$, and 2 if $q = 2$.

3. a) (5 points) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

b) (5 points) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

4. Well, U having n pivots means that, after rescaling, we can suppose all the diagonals are equal to 1. So the last column has $n - 1$ numbers which can be anything, and a 1 at the bottom. But this means that we can eliminate upward to kill all of those $n - 1$ numbers, and get that that last column has $n - 1$ zeros and a 1 at the bottom. Now proceed leftward.

5. Well, we first consider $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$; this is in reduced form and the fact that the di-

agonals are all nonzero gives invertibility. So these three columns are linearly independant.

For the second part, just note that $4v_3 - v_2 - v_1 - v_4 = 0$.

6. Consider a linear combo. $c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + c_3v_3 = 0$. This is the same as $c_1(w_2 + w_3) + c_2(w_1 + w_3) + c_3(w_1 + w_2) = 0$, which is $(c_2 + c_3)w_1 + (c_1 + c_3)w_2 + (c_1 + c_2)w_3 = 0$. But the linear independance of the w 's now implies that $c_2 + c_3 = c_1 + c_3 = c_1 + c_2 = 0$. The last two equations give $c_2 = c_3$, but then the first term gives $c_2 = 0$ and the conclusion follows.

7. Well, clearly $C(A) = \{(x_1, x_2, 0)\}$ and $C(A^t) = \{(0, x_2, x_3)\}$. Further, since A is in reduced form we see that $N(A) = \{(x_1, 0, 0)\}$ and by inspection $N(A^t) = \{(0, 0, x_3)\}$. Upon adding I , A becomes invertible, so $N(A) = N(A^t) = 0$ while $C(A) = C(A^t) = \mathbb{R}^3$.

8. (2.5 points each)

a) The column space is spanned by $\{v_i \mathbf{u} + z_i \mathbf{w}\}$. We note that this is always contained in the $\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}\}$ plane.

b) The row space is spanned by $\{u_i \mathbf{v}^t + w_i \mathbf{z}^t\}$; note that this is contained in the $\{\mathbf{v}^t, \mathbf{u}^t\}$ plane.

c) If $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{z}$ or if $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{w}$.

$$\text{d) } A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ which has rank 2.}$$

$$\mathbf{9. } A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ (after a row permutation in the last step). So this is the incidence}$$

matrix for the graph which looks like $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4$. A *tree* is a graph without loops, and which contains all four edges of the original graph. One ignores edge directions when counting trees; starting at the graph in question produces seven more.

10. We note that $(x_1 - x_2) + (x_2 - x_3) = x_1 - x_3$. So; adding the first two equations and subtracting the third gives $0 = 1$; i.e., $y_1 = y_2 = 1$, and $y_3 = -1$.

11. Given that $S \subseteq V$, suppose that $\mathbf{w} \in V^\perp$. Then $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} = 0$ for all $\mathbf{v} \in V$, so certainly $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} = 0$ for all vectors $\mathbf{v} \in S$. But this says that $\mathbf{w} \in S^\perp$.