

18.06 Professor A.J. de Jong Exam 1 March 3, 2003

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1 (30 pts.)

(a) Compute the following matrix product

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ -5 & -4 & -3 & -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

No explanation is necessary.

(b) Let U be the matrix below. Reduce U to a reduced row echelon matrix by row operations (upward elimination). Find the “special solutions” to $Ux = 0$. Also give an expression for the general solution to $Ux = 0$.

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

2 (35 pts.)

- (a) Let A and b be as below. For any real number t , and any real number s : Find the complete solution to the equation $Ax = b$ using the algorithm described in class and in the book. (It depends on t and s .)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & t \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } b = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ s \end{pmatrix}$$

- (b) First part: For which t are the columns of the matrix A linearly dependent? Second part: Consider b and the first three columns of A . For which s are these linearly dependent?

3 (35 pts.) The elimination algorithm explained in the course (with “row swapping after Gaussian elimination”) was applied to the matrix A . Suppose it yields the following equality:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 11 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Which row operations do the four elimination matrices in the product correspond to? Please write them down in words in the order in which they were performed on A . Why is the upper left hand corner of A zero? (This is the $(1, 1)$ entry of A .)
- (b) The equation implies that A factors as $A = LPUR$. Here R is the matrix on the right hand side of the $=$ sign. The matrices U , P , and L are invertible 4×4 matrices. The matrix U is upper triangular. The matrix P is a permutation matrix. And L is lower triangular. Find U , P , and L , and explain how you got them.

