

EXAM 1

Math 102, 2009-2010 Spring, Clark Bray.

You have 50 minutes.

No notes, no books, no calculators.

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1. (15 pts) Find the equation of the unique plane that contains the point $(5, 5, 2)$ and is parallel to the lines parametrized by $(3 - 4t, 2t + 1, 4t)$ and $(t, 2t - 1, 3 - t)$.

2. (15 pts) Find the inverse of the matrix A defined by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. (15 pts) The system $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ relates the variables x_1, \dots, x_6 . The reduced row echelon form of A is the matrix below, and the variables b_1, b_2, b_3 are exogenous for this problem.

$$\text{rref}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 6 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which of the following sets of variables could be interpreted as endogenous in this system? (Make sure to justify each of your answers.)

- (a) $\{x_1, x_3, x_4\}$
- (b) $\{x_3, x_4, x_6\}$
- (c) $\{x_4, x_5, x_6\}$

4. (15 pts) Use pivots to show that it is not possible to have a linearly independent collection of 4 vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 . (Make sure to explain all of the steps in your reasoning.)

5. (10 pts) Compute the determinant of the matrix M given below.

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 7 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

6. (15 pts) Determine if the collection $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ of vectors spans \mathbb{R}^3 , where

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

7. (15 pts) Write the matrix A below as a product of elementary matrices.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$